

## Appendix 2

### Area Committee Well Being Fund Commissioning of Service

**Project Name: CASAC Burglary Reduction – Distraction Packages – Inner West**

**Lead Organisation: CASAC-Leeds**

#### **Project Summary:**

CASAC Burglary Reduction aims to tackle burglary by providing additional security to the homes of those who have been burgled or are considered particularly vulnerable to burglary. This involves the client arranging an appointment for one of our eight qualified Safety Engineers to visit their home, assess their current security measures and then fit additional door locks, window locks, chains and spy-holes where necessary. In order to ensure that the scheme works to optimum efficiency in reducing burglary, several additional packages have been developed to tackle distraction burglary. These packages include items such as memo announcers, digital locks, door chime intercoms and video intercoms. This will be offered to clients who have been a victim of/are vulnerable to distraction burglary. These people are most likely to be elderly or disabled. The Area Management Team and local Crime Prevention Officers can identify both hot-spot areas and vulnerable individuals who require such specialised security. Currently all measures are provided to the resident free of charge.

The initiative also works closely with the West Yorkshire Fire Service and provides information on their fire safety check and smoke alarm, which is also provided free of charge. Our service aims to alleviate the fear of burglary/distraction burglary among residents in Leeds and to assist in reducing burglary and repeat burglary rates. We have visited over 26,000 properties since we began in 2001.

#### **Outcomes (please summarise the main outcome / output / benefit the project will achieve):**

We will improve security to between 14-100 homes in the targeted wards. The amount of homes visited will depend on the types of packages purchased under the scheme. The residents of these homes will have a reduced risk of distraction burglary/repeat distraction burglary.

#### **Project Cost (please indicate how much the project will cost, how much Well Being Funding is sought and breakdown between capital and revenue):**

£5,000 – revenue

#### **Identify which geographic areas will benefit and which Area Committee (Inner or Outer) you are applying to: Inner West**

#### **State who will receive the funding for this project:**

The scheme targets older adults and vulnerable individuals who are known to be targeted by distraction burglary, cowboy trades people and bogus officials. Local Ward Councillors, West Yorkshire Police and the Area Management Team can identify potential clients where additional security is a requirement.