

## 'PEDDLERS' (aka "Nottingham Knockers")

We have been asked to remind you about the 'peddlers', who often come like the town buses ... none for a while then two or three almost together. Whilst we do not seem to have had them in Walgrave recently, they are still around some villages.

These are the door-to-door sales persons, claiming to be rehabilitated offenders who have a licence to sell goods door to door. The majority of these licences are fake.

But what's the harm ... and don't the Police have more important things to worry about, like burglary?

Actually, the Police have long suspected a link between peddlers and distraction burglary, especially where we see burglaries occurring several days after their visit.

Ask yourselves - why do they travel from, say, the Nottingham area?

If you see them about or one of them knocks on your door offering to sell items on the doorstep please call 03000 111 222 straight away and the Police will try to check them out. If genuine, they will advise accordingly; if not they will take positive action and in many cases may arrest them.

As always, if you have any information on these, or any other, incidents please contact the Police directly on 03000 111 222 or, anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111