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What should you do

Remember Send The Text

Don't assume that people already know

Remember not all Travellers in the area are involved in these incidents And they may need the service you provide

Report it to the appropriate person
Other workers
Your manager
Community Guards
Travellers who may be at risk

If a service is interrupted ensure you communicate this to the Community

Make alternative arrangements to communicate urgent information for example Hospital appointments

Try to ensure that your service is not interrupted and if it is ensure that procedures are in place to resume as soon as passable

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"We hope that this leaflet can contribute in some way to addressing the increase in violence within the Traveller community and its effects on the delivery of services to our community"

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Warning
All
Service
Providers

This leaflet is to inform all service providers of a useful warning system that we have developed.

Produced By the
Blanchardstown Traveller Development Group .

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This system will warn service providers of any potential trouble or violence on Traveller sites or housing estates that have Traveller families in them in Your Area

More and more we are hearing about incidents or violence on Traveller sites or in local authority housing estates where there are a number of Traveller families.

We are also hearing of the effect these incidents are having on the delivery of services to the Traveller community.

We in BTDG have produced this leaflet to inform people of a simple but effective method of letting people know that an incident has happened on a site or housing estate.

And of the possible steps they can take to avoid been caught up in these incidents which could lead to interruption to the service been provided to the community .

“It should be noted that not all Travellers are involved in or condone violence and not all Travellers who are involved in the violence are willing participants.”

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TEXT Messaging is been used by more and more people and now days people have access to a mobile phone and the Internet .

This alert system can be used by most people and you don't have to be able to read and write it is simple.

The code:

RED or :- (Not safe or avoid the area

Orange or :(an incident has Happened call a contact

Green or :-) proceed with caution

People can use the colour or the smiley symbol you should communicate the symbol you are using to your colleagues and in particular if they have a reading difficulty.

There may be no need to use the symbol if people can read so you can just send the messages as above. You might not want to name the area and if not you will need to find and communicate a location code to your colleagues in your area

Can be found in you r mobile phone

: -) classic smile with nose

: -(classic frown with nose

:(classic frown without nose

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More information

There are a number of things that you can do that will make things work faster

- On your phone you can put all your contacts into a folder and name this folder with regard to your work or by location and if you need to send a message you can send one message to all contacts in that folder
- You can write your message and have it stored on you phone and if you need to use it it will save time
- If you have Internet access you can go to your providers web site and put in your number and your pass word you then can then type send a message to any mobile number via text from your

The original Text message system was developed by TESO for people working in the field of education with Travellers in the North Dublin Area .

BTDG has developed on their idea to produce this leaflet for all service providers Traveller and non Travellers who provide services to Travellers in their area.

It is our hope if it is needed it will prevent Serious incidents to those providing valuable services to Travellers and ensure safety of workers