

As many accidents happen within the home, Age UK has produced a useful booklet 'Home Safety checker' which gives pointers as things to do when reviewing your home for safety. Please call 01375 389872 or call in at the Beehive to get a copy.



Essex Fire Service is offering to arrange free home visits to review the fire safety within your home and to discuss your fire safety plan which you might use in the event of a fire at home. If you do not have smoke alarms fitted or they are very old they will fit new ones free of charge. Call us on 01375 389872 for information about this service.

Safety matters

As winter approaches, if you haven't already done so, it is advisable that you have your gas central heating boiler checked for safety. Ensure that this is carried out by a Gas Safe qualified engineer.

This is important as an inefficient gas boiler can result in carbon monoxide being given out. This is a colourless, odourless gas that can make you feel ill and even cause death.

For added safety fit an audible carbon monoxide detector. These are available from DIY stores and larger supermarkets at a cost of around £15.

Thurrock Trading Standards will be offering FREE electric blanket testing again in October. There will drop off points across Thurrock for you to leave your blankets. Call 01375 389872 for details nearer the time.

If you are considering going away during the winter month please call us for a copy of the Age UK booklet 'Staying Safe'. It gives useful information on ensuring you property stays safe while you are away.