

# WARNING uPVC DOORS

There has been an increase in residential burglaries in Bromley. Thieves are targeting properties with uPVC doors and police are urging residents to pay extra attention to their home security.

uPVC doors can be easily opened from the **outside** if they are not locked with the key from the **inside**. Simply lifting the handle does not completely secure the door.

Burglars have also been known to put their arm through a letterbox or cat flap and use a tool to push the handle and gain entry to homes.

## **REMEMBER:**

uPVC doors must be double locked to be properly secure:

- ◆ Deadlock your doors with the key – do not just lift the handle.
- ◆ Keep house keys upstairs or store them near the door, out of sight, for easy access in an emergency.
- ◆ Use all door and window locks fitted to your home.
- ◆ Keep your car keys away from the front door and store them somewhere safe.
- ◆ Consider fitting an internal letterbox cage.



For further crime reduction advice please visit [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk) or contact your local Safer Neighbourhoods Team.

