WALKSAFE SOUTH YORKSHIRE









ABOUT WALKSAFE

The UK's leading personal safety app which aims to help people feel safer while they're out and about is launching in South Yorkshire.

WalkSafe will help people living in, working in and visiting Sheffield, Doncaster, Rotherham and Barnsley to plan their journeys and nights out in the safest way.

The free app shows users which mapped local venues are meeting relevant safety training standards, and can help you plot a safer route home. Users can share their live location with trusted contacts, and the app will notify loved ones when you get home safe.

South Yorkshire is the first area in the UK to be launching the app countywide. It is just one tool of many which police and partners are using to improve safety across our communities, particularly for women and girls.

Venues and other key sites across our districts are encouraged to raise and maintain their safety training and standards in order to meet the criteria to feature on the app as a 'safe space', leading to improvements in safety and better experiences for all.

The WalkSafe app has been funded by South Yorkshire Police. It is supported by the Safer Sheffield Partnership, Safer Rotherham Partnership, Safer Barnsley Partnership, Safer Stronger Doncaster Partnership and SYMCA.



HOW DOES WALKSAFE HELP?



WALKSAFE

Type in your destination and share your route with trusted friends. This includes an estimated time of arrival.



SAFETY MAP

WalkSafe provide the tools to map out local accredited venues. These venues have engaged in safety training from multiple reputed resources as well as providing facilties that support personal safety



FRIENDS

Your trusted circle of friends are people who you can count on to over see your journey.



HOMESAFE

This allows you to share your route and estimated time of arrival with friends and will automatically alert your trusted circle if you fail to arrive at your destination on time.

THE WALKSAFE APP PROMOTES THE 'STAND WITH US CAMPAIGN' WHEN USERS ARE IN SOUTH YORKSHIRE















With your help and allyship we can do more in fighting sexual harassment and abuse.

If you see a woman looking uncomfortable or being harassed, ask if she's alright and report what you see to a member of staff if you can. Call out your mates if they are hassling a woman and let them know their behaviour is not okay.

Women should be able to go on public transport, runs, walks or to the gym – to just exist – without fear for their safety.

If we all do more, we can help stop violence against women and girls.

GETTING HELP IN SOUTH YORKSHIRE

Need assistance on a night out?

Street pastors, police officers and door staff can all offer practical support, whether that's getting you or someone else to safety, or administering first aid.

Feeling uncomfortable on a date?

'Ask for Angela' is a nationwide scheme that offers discreet support for women in pubs, bars or restaurants. Use the code name 'Angela' when speaking to a police officer, bar worker, taxi Marshall or street pastor, and they'll help you plan a safe escape.

Looking for something to help you feel safer while you're out and about? The WalkSafe app helps you plan your journeys and nights out in the safest way. It shows you which local venues are meeting certain safety training standards and helps you plot a safer route home. You can share your live location with trusted contacts and the app will notify them when you get home safe.

Is there anywhere in South Yorkshire that you avoid?

If there's anywhere you find intimidating, please let us know through the Street Safe tool. This lets police and councils know where to focus patrols, CCTV and additional lighting, so our community can be a safe and welcoming space for everyone.

Look out for the Safe Space icons on the WalkSafe safet map that mark out trained and accredited venues that can provide help and support when you need it!

















We're on a mission to make

the world a safer place

If you would like more information please get in touch with the WalkSafe team on: support@walksafe.io

