

Help For Witnesses

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Victim Support

Victim Support Leicestershire & Rutland helps local people cope with the effects of crime by providing confidential support and information to victims and to witnesses attending local courts.

The charity's services are free, independent of the police and courts, and available to everyone, whether or not the crime has been reported and regardless of when it happened.

Trained volunteers offer:

- someone to talk to in confidence
- information on police and court procedures
- liaison with other organisations on your behalf
- information about compensation and insurance matters

Help for witnesses

Victim Support offers information and support to witnesses, victims, their families and friends in every criminal court in Leicestershire and Rutland. Trained volunteers offer:

- someone to talk to in confidence
- a visit to the court and a look round an empty court room (where possible)
- information about court procedures
- a quiet place to wait before and during the hearing
- someone to accompany you into the court room when giving evidence (if required)
- practical help, for example, with expense forms
- to put you in touch with people who can answer specific questions about the case (the Witness Service cannot discuss evidence or offer legal advice)
- a chance to talk over the case when it has ended and to get more help or

information.

See also the Victim Support
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