



**THE SIGNS ARE THERE...  
..IF YOU KNOW WHAT TO LOOK FOR**



**LV STREETWISE  
A LIFE-SIZED VILLAGE  
BUILT INSIDE A WAREHOUSE**

**LV Streetwise is fun, educational and unmissable - but more importantly...**

**"LV STREETWISE SAVES LIVES"**

- European Community Fire Safety Initiative Award
- NHS Health Improvement Beacon Award
- DTI Modernisation Fund Award

### LV Streetwise saves lives

Every year thousands of children are injured in preventable accidents in the home, on the roads and at play. LV Streetwise helps to minimise the risk of accidents happening by making children aware of potential dangers in the everyday world around them.

LV Streetwise can give your child a head start in their safety education, supporting parents and schools in providing them with essential skills for life.



### Making it real

The LV Streetwise scenarios are traditionally built 'bricks and mortar' scenes from everyday life. The village includes a full sized two-storey house, a high street, a park, a farmyard, an electricity sub station, a heath, a beach, a building site and even Police and railway stations.

By making the scenarios as realistic as possible, children can easily apply the learnings in their everyday life and what is more, they learn how to make responsible choices and understand the consequences in a safe, controlled environment.



**LV Streetwise is a registered charity and a multi-agency partnership project. It was inspired, created and is run with the support of Dorset's emergency services, local authorities, health authority, LV= and partners from**

### About the Safety Tours

The children spend up to two hours identifying possible risks and dangers for themselves and learning how to reduce the chance of having an accident. Safety in the home, on the roads and at play, fire safety, safety on the railways and 'stranger danger' are all available.



Children learn how to cope in an emergency, understand about consequences and the importance of making responsible choices for themselves through sharing and building on existing knowledge and experiences. Along with some interactive role-playing they learn together how to be Safety Detectives for life.

**LV=, formerly Liverpool Victoria, were a founding partner. In 2007 after 10 years of supporting the centre, LV= increased their support to become the centre's lead commercial sponsor.**



### Safety Tours

**General Safety Tours** last up to two hours and are suitable for 5 - 12 year olds in school or youth groups (Cubs and Brownies etc).

**Other Safety Tours** are also available for four year olds from playgroups and nurseries (Pre-School Tours) and for groups of children and adults with learning difficulties (Special Needs Tours).

### Birthday Parties (6 - 10 year olds)

No fuss or mess at home. Great fun and educational at the same time! Capture their attention with a Safety Tour followed by a 'street' party! Personalised invitations, party food and a free safety leaflet pack are all available.

### Group and Family Bookings

All visits must be booked in advance with a minimum group size of 15 people, increasing to 30 at weekends. The centre is open all year round including school holidays, closing only on Bank Holidays and over the Christmas period. Family bookings for individual children with accompanying parents are possible by special arrangement.

### Cost

LV Streetwise is a registered charity. The admission fees are heavily subsidised by its supporters. The fees help to support the centre's running costs and allow for ongoing developments:



### SAFETY TOURS

Children	£3
Adults*	£4
Family ticket (2 adults 3 children)	£13.20

### BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Safety Tour prices	As above
Personal invitations	£3 for up to 20
Party Area (one hour after tour)	£23.50
Party Food deals	£2.35 per person
(* one supervising adult free per six children, additional adults £4)	

Dorset school visits for year 2 and year 5 pupils are free as they are currently fully funded by **Dorset Fire Authority**.

# Could you volunteer for LV Streetwise?

## A few hours of your time could save a life ...

Every year thousands of children are killed or injured in accidents that could have been prevented if someone had warned them of the dangers and given them the knowledge and the confidence to cope. A few hours now can make a very real difference to their safety, and your peace of mind, throughout their lives.



### Volunteers are the lifeblood of the safety centre and gain great satisfaction:

"Giving up some spare time to help others has great rewards. If I can help make the world a little less frightening for the children, I have achieved my goal."

Chris

"I really enjoy it. Since I retired I'd been looking for something to do which doesn't over commit me. At LV Streetwise I feel I'm doing something worthwhile for the Community"

Jean

"Not only do I gain experience working with children for my future career, but volunteering looks great to potential employers on my CV!"

Tom

"In my job in A&E I see many injuries from preventable accidents and the trauma that the families involved go through. At LV Streetwise I know that the things that the children are learning can make a difference and if I can keep just one child out of casualty then I feel that I have achieved a very worthwhile thing."

Jane

"The other volunteers at Streetwise come from all walks of life - some are retired, some are professionals such as teachers and emergency services personnel and some are students, some are parents with spare time during the day - and they all have knowledge to share and stories to tell. I have learnt so many things from them."

Adam

**Qualifications:** none are needed: All our volunteers like children and meeting new people. If you are also a friendly, positive person you are ideal. All volunteers undergo routine CRB/Police checks and references are taken up.



**Training:** you are invited to shadow experienced guides until you feel confident enough to go it alone, with ongoing support and training. Written notes are given to every guide emphasizing essential safety messages.

**Time:** you can guide as little or as often as you like, choose a regular slot or be flexible to suit whatever is happening in your life. All we ask is at least two visits (2-3 hours each) per month. Some guides enjoy it so much they guide several times a week. It's up to you.

**Uniform:** polo shirts and sweatshirts are provided for wearing at the Safety Centre to identify you to visitors as a member of the LV Streetwise Safety Team.

**Travelling expenses:** These are refunded, up to a maximum, so you should not be out of pocket.

**Equal Opportunities Policy:** LV Streetwise encourages people from all walks of life to get involved with the centre.

**An accidental death costs the 'services' in Dorset over £1,000,000.**

**The human cost is priceless.**

"A hundred years from now it will not matter how much was in my bank account, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove ... but the world may be a better place because I was important in the life of a child."



## Who should come?

Whilst the underlying message at LV Streetwise has a serious educational theme, a tour of the centre is truly a visitor attraction with a difference. As well as group tours, we welcome individual bookings from families, children, teachers, youth groups and even senior citizens and parents wishing to update their own "streetwise skills".

## Why not try out our award winning FREE downloadable online safety game

- The fun way to get LV Streetwise in the home!

[www.homesafetygame.com](http://www.homesafetygame.com)



## Learn about everyday safety...



## What else does LV Streetwise offer?

- Health and safety training for businesses: including Fire Safety, Personal Safety and First Aid training
- Conference facilities from £85 + vat per half day
- Village/scenario hire for training or team building days
- Murder Mystery Evenings
- Birthday parties
- Online shop including Safety Story Books: photo-stories for children - home, bike and water safety

**Profits help to ensure that LV Streetwise continues to help save lives for generations to come by educating tomorrow's parents today.**

**For opening times, further prices and details of how to get to LV Streetwise, including transport companies who offer free or preferential transport rates for school groups please get in touch.**

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