5 steps to being neighbourly

Some people find it difficult to build relationships. This Neighbour Day, encourage members of your community to use these 5 simple tips to establish respectful relationships with those around them.

01 Start with a smile
Make it a habit to flash a friendly smile or say hello, even in chaotic moments, it is sure to make a difference!

02 The initial chat
Strike up a conversation with a genuine compliment, or a query, as this can be a great icebreaker.

03 Follow up
Next time you catch each other, follow up on what you spoke about last time, this shows your interest and people will generally appreciate feeling listened to.

04 Kind gestures
Kind gestures are the ideal way to build positive connections, so consider what you might be able to offer e.g. bring in their bins, water their garden, or share surplus produce or cuttings.

05 Host your event
Organise a Neighbour Day get together or engage in a neighbourly action – perhaps on Neighbour Day, or whenever is convenient for you. Think of something your neighbours might enjoy e.g. BBQ, morning tea, some friendly games, or perhaps leave a thoughtful note.