



Charlton Central

Neighbourhood Watch (CCNW)

Supported by Charlton Central Residents Association (CCRA)

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Please share this 'Update' with a neighbour and encourage them to join the Watch.

If you have something you'd like to be included in UPDATE contact Brenda on email

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Burglaries

In UPDATE No 11 we reported on burglaries from January to May and the news was good with a massive decrease compared to the same period last year. However, the good news was short lived. Sadly the Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) have reported a massive 'spike' in burglaries over the last month.

During the warm weather there have been 12 burglaries – all with a similar pattern of entry. All have been opportunistic with burglars going through open windows and making off with small items such as ipads, jewellery, wallets and cash. Please spread the word that we need to be vigilant - make sure you close windows when your house is unoccupied and overnight. Remind your neighbour if they have left windows open. Even second storey and rear windows should be secured. If you see someone who looks like they are taking an unusual interest in property, take their description and report them to the SNT on 0208 721 2734 or 07766 992585.

This seems obvious but don't leave your keys in the front door lock. Our PCSO Dave Solly, on a recent patrol in our Neighbourhood Watch area, was astonished at the number of keys left on display in locks. He knocked on doors to alert occupants to the problem. All were grateful for his vigilance and in all cases they had been in a hurry to get indoors to either off load shopping or attend to young children. It is so easily done as we dash about but this is a gift to opportunistic burglars.

Big changes in policing in the Charlton area

In previous UPDATES and in the Charlton Central Residents' Association's newsletter 'The Grapevine' we have reported on the Metropolitan Police's Policing Plan managed by the Office of the Mayor. The Plan suggested a new structure for Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London. These changes are now being implemented and from the end of this month there will be big changes in how we are policed in Charlton.

Our current structure is 1 Sergeant, 2 Police Constables and three Police Constable Support Officers. These posts have been held for a number of years by Sgt Adrian Musgrave, PCs Tom Ott and Cat Barrow and PCSOs Lee Wilson and Dave Solly.

The biggest change is that Sgt Musgrave is to take up a new post in Greenwich's Emergency Response team, to be replaced by Sgt Martin Lockwood. Sgt Musgrave has been in Charlton for many years and his local knowledge and dedication to duty will be sorely missed. We wish him well in his new post. We look forward to welcoming Sgt Lockwood to Charlton Central and working with him to reduce crime in our area.

The new team supporting Sgt Lockwood will be PC Cat Barrow and PCSO Lee Wilson who will be dedicated to our neighbourhood. Whilst still aligned to Charlton, PC Ott and PCSO Solly will no longer remain dedicated officers but can be abstracted and placed, according to need, anywhere in the borough. Our team, whilst keeping Mar House on the Springfield Estate as their base, will temporarily parade from Greenwich Police station pending the closure of the station. They will also be operating a different pattern of shifts. We will be monitoring the crime statistics once the new structure is in place. Let us know your views on this by contacting a Co-ordinator below.

CCNWatch Co-ordinators

We have co-ordinators in the roads below:

Calydon – Dhesi 07816 548 581

Delafield – Annie 0208 305 1484 & Brenda 0208 853 3354

Elliscombe – Harjit 0208 473 8908 & Len 0208 858 4920

Gollogly – Lydia 07956 207155

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Contact anyone above if you'd like to become a Co-ordinator in your street.