



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Charlton Central Neighbourhood Watch (CCNW) Supported by Charlton Central Residents Association (CCRA)

'Update' No. 1: August 2010

Thanks to everyone who attended the launch of CCNW at St Richards Hall on Saturday 10th July. The meeting was well attended and we already have almost 100 residents registered to be part of CCNW. Share this 'Update' with a neighbour and encourage them to join the Watch.

One of the benefits of being part of the Watch is keeping in touch with issues of Law and Order in the neighbourhood. We hope that this will be the first of many regular updates that will help us be more aware of what is going on in our streets.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Panel meetings

The Safer Neighbourhood Panel meets every two months and is the forum for our Safer Neighbourhood Police Team to discuss their work with members of local groups and associations. It is at these meetings that local policing priorities are agreed and residents have an opportunity to discuss their concerns directly with our constables and Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs). The Panel is chaired by Don MacKenzie of the Prentiss Court Residents' Association and meets at Langhorne House off Victoria Way.

The last meeting was Wednesday 14th July 2010 when Brenda Taggart (Delafield Road) attended as a representative of CCRA.

Despite Two serious incidents (a murder in Valiant House and a stabbing in Valley Grove) taking priority in the local policing, the following issues were discussed:

Burglaries

Burglaries have decreased by 37% in the last two months. Whilst this is encouraging there have still been 22 in the whole Charlton area and these are wholly from side or rear door entry where residents have left property unsecure. The police urged residents to make sure they remember to secure their property at night. During the warm weather it is easy to forget to lock doors and windows at night. **SO, REMEMBER TO SECURE YOUR PROPERTY AT NIGHT.**

Charlton Church Lane Shops

The shopping area by the Station has been identified as an area for additional police patrols. Over the past few weeks there have been groups of people congregating in this area sometime with intimidating dogs. Residents have reported feeling uncomfortable using the shops under these circumstances. The Police have been using their powers of 'stop and search' and there has been an arrest for drug dealing. In making additional patrols in this area the Police will send out a clear message that they are responding to residents concerns and want to make the shopping area a safer local facility.

If you have a law & order concern to feature in the next 'Update' or that needs bringing to the attention of the Neighbourhood Watch or the SNT then contact:

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SNT direct on [020 8721 2734](tel:02087212734) / [07766 992585](tel:07766992585)

Remember – it is not too late to join the Neighbourhood Watch. Share this Update with a neighbour and encourage them to fill in and return the following slip.

NB Next Bulletin will share information on Street Co-ordinators and contact information.