



## 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 included in UPDATE contact Brenda on 0208 853**

**3354 or email [brendataggart49@gmail.com](mailto:brendataggart49@gmail.com)**

### Crime stats

If you are interested in what's happening with crime across our ward then go to <https://www.police.uk/metropolitan/E05000216/crime/> for a breakdown of reported events. This gives details at a road by road level. For instance, of the 108 crimes reported across the ward in March 2017 only 9 were in the CCNWatch area, in only 4 roads. The majority of these were domestic (5) with 1 public order offence, 1 anti-social behaviour, 1 burglary and 1 theft. Charlton is a relatively low crime area with only 6 crimes reported per 1,000 residents (during March 2017) compared to 8 per 1,000 for the Borough and London as a whole.

Nationally crime is decreasing but we can expect a 'spike' in the stats referring to domestic burglaries as in future, theft from garages, sheds, and outhouses are to be re-classified as domestic rather than business crimes. The Police crime stats not only show Ward level but you can also check out how our Royal Borough of Greenwich does in comparison to similar areas around the country. We recommend the crime stats site as a wealth of information for anyone wanting to see the 'bigger picture'.

### Be a street co-ordinator

We have an aspiration that all streets in the CCRA area will have a CCNWatch Co-ordinator. We need volunteers to join the co-ordinators group. Can you spare an hour or so, every two months? It isn't demanding but is very interesting! Keep in touch with what's going on in our area and help to make our neighbourhood safe and friendly. Just email your contact details to [mail@ccnwatch.org](mailto:mail@ccnwatch.org) and we'll get back to you with more details.

### Harassment online/phone

Victims of harassment are disproportionately female with ex-partners as the main perpetrators. The Met's safety advice includes: Online – restrict your social media posts, check privacy settings, change passwords regularly, report stalking to both the police and your website administrators. Phone – never reveal your address, don't include personal details on your answerphone message and rather than say you 'are not at home', say 'I cannot get to the phone right now', list your initials rather than full name in directories and never show fear or anger on the phone. Remain calm and whether you feel stalked/harassed online or by phone please report immediately to the police where your concerns will be taken seriously.

### Cycling on pavements

We have noticed an alarming increase in cyclists on pavements. They often speed down pavements weaving around pedestrians. They can often get aggressive if challenged, but we would remind everyone that it is **illegal to cycle on pavement** (Highways Act 1953 the exception being children). If you lack confidence in riding a bike then please stick only to identified cycle lanes, enrol in a cycling proficiency course or seek an alternative form of transport until you get proficient. By cycling on the pavement you are putting pedestrians, particularly young children and the elderly at risk. Pavements should be safe spaces for pedestrians.

### Summer security

In the hot weather don't forget to make sure all windows are closed at the end of the day or when you are out. An open window is an open invitation to an opportunistic burglar.

**Stop press:** We've had a report of a bag snatcher operating in Charlton Village. Be aware of your surroundings after shopping and avoid random approaches in the street.

**CCNWatch Co-ordinators - see <http://ccnwatch.org/>**

**We have co-ordinators in the roads below:**

Calydon – Dhesi -07816 548 581

Delafield – Annie - 0208 305 1484 & Brenda 07939 090 676 &

Jodie – 07823 777 152

Inverine – Cathy 0208 488 2188 and Jonathan – 07875 054 597

Nadine/Gollogly – Lydia 07956 207155

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