



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 at brendataggart49@gmail.com

The Bad News and the Good News

Our last UPDATES and Instant Alerts have focussed on the bad news about increased crime in the area. This has been increasingly disappointing for the community and the police. BUT there is some good news and we'd like to take this opportunity to celebrate some successes in community policing.

Burglaries

Following a massive spike in burglaries the police have made two significant arrests. One of those arrested is linked to at least a dozen burglaries. This, coupled with an intense burglary awareness and crime prevention campaign, is already making the statistics plummet. With a peak of over 60 burglaries in 3 months this has reduced to zero for July. It is worth noting that in the majority of cases, thieves walked into houses without having to force entry. They climbed through open windows, walked into properties where doors were unsecured – some even had the keys left in the locks! The police are keen to remind people to secure cat/dog flaps at night as thieves can reach through these with coat hangers to reach door handles.

Muggings

The low life who mugged one of our aged 90+ neighbours has been arrested. Our SNT have taken a very dangerous man off our streets. Again we'd like to thank our Team for their fantastic policing.

Drug Dealing

Some significant recent arrests has taken 3 drug dealing cars off the roads. The police are grateful to the community who have supplied intelligence that is invaluable in managing this type of crime. Because of its 'shady' nature the community are best place to advise the police on what is happening, when and by whom. If you are able, without endangering your personal safety, to get the number plates of cars who are dealing then this intelligence is 'gold dust' and should be shared immediately with police. If you wish to remain anonymous then contact Crime stoppers on [0800 555111](tel:0800555111)

Assault in Wellington Gardens

Many members have contacted us about the police presence in the alley in Wellington Gardens near Charlton Church Lane. We can report that the incident was a serious assault and that 4 people, all known to the victim, have been arrested. The general public were never in any danger and the police are resolving this incident.

The importance of reporting crime

'No point in reporting this, the police can't do anything' – is something we often hear BUT it is very important that every crime is reported. Because of our reporting, our SNT have been able to argue for additional resources in our area. This has made a massive difference and resulted in: additional uniform and covert plain clothes patrols, especially at night; better engagement and dispersal of those committing anti-social behaviour around the shops and station; stronger enforcement actions and the ability to draw on specialist teams such as the Gang Unit and automatic number plate recognition technology. Keep on reporting and help our SNT to help us.

A final note

We have been made aware of a number of thefts of catalytic converters. These have been from car parks around the area. If you park in a supermarket car park and see someone acting suspiciously then contact the car part security and the store immediately. Large stores need to know that their security firms and making adequate patrols and are maintaining their CCTV cameras.

CCNW CO-ORDINATORS – see <http://ccnwatch.org>

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