



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

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Incident in the CCNW area

There have been a lot of rumours around about two serious incidents which have taken place since our last UPDATE. Charlton is described as an 'average' crime area and violent incidents are extremely rare yet on the 7th and 10th Feb there were two stabbings in the immediate area. One took place at the junction of Charlton Church Lane and Wellington Gardens and the other was in Elliscombe Road.

Although not related they both involved young males and were described by the police as 'non random'. They possibly could be gang related, although there is no suggestion of any racial motivation and no members of the general public were involved. Enquiries in the case of the first incidents are 'ongoing' but arrests have been made in relation to the second incident.

The police have asked us to reassure residents that they are not in danger from knife carrying youths. Both crimes were at targeted victims and residents should go about their everyday business, visiting the shops in Charlton Church Lane, as they would do normally. Over the last few weeks the Safer Neighbourhood Team have conducted extra patrols in the area to reassure residents.

What's in your wheelie bin?

Neighbours in Delafield Road have reported incidents of their wheelie bins being tampered with. It looks like the content has been rifled through. There is a type of identity fraud called 'phishing' where villains try to obtain personal information for a range of bogus purposes. Please remember **never** put anything in your bin which has personal information about you. This is especially true for any bank statements or anything of a financial or sensitive nature. Even utility bills can be useful to people who are looking to set up fake accounts. Shred up your bills, letters, envelopes and anything with your name and address on before putting it into your wheelie bin.

Shopping at Bluewater?

Do you shop at Bluewater? If so, you may be interested in the following, sent to us by our SNT. It may seem unlikely but it is TRUE. A woman visited the toilet in John Lewis and hung her handbag on the back of the door. A hand appeared over the stall and took her bag off the hook. She reported it to the store security. She later had a call allegedly from security asking her to come to the store as her bag had been found. She arranged a time to collect her things but was told when she arrived that no-one had called her. On returning home, her house had been burgled with no sign of forced entry. The Police believe the robbers had used her Driving License for the address and her keys to let themselves in! The message is please be vigilant ladies AND gents. Always ring back to confirm an appointment with Security before you visit.

Bogus Callers

Since raising awareness of Bogus Callers in the area earlier in the year we are delighted to report that there has been a decrease in the number of incidents. Remember if you suspect a Bogus Caller, check them out by ringing Greenwich Trading Standards **0208 921 8223** and check out their credentials.

Co-ordinators

We currently have Co-ordinators in the following road:

Calydon – Dhesi, 0208 858 5534

Delafield – Annie 0208 305 1484 & Brenda 0208 853 3354

Elliscombe – Harjit 0208 473 8908 & Len No 0208 858 4920

Priolo – Tamara 0208 333 1657

Wellington Gdns – Elaine by phone only on 0208 855 7682

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