



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
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BEAT THE AUTUMN BURGLARS!!!

Burglaries often increase in autumn and winter, as burglars take advantage of the cover of darkness to target empty houses. But there are simple steps you can take to protect your home to make sure you don't fall victim to this opportunistic crime:

- Make sure doors and windows are locked, particularly when leaving the house.
- Never leave a spare key in a convenient hiding place such as under the doormat or in a flowerpot. If you do need emergency access to a key, consider getting a key safe.
- Use timer switches on household appliances so that they turn on as it gets dark in the afternoons. Or if you're feeling technical, use features such as Alexa Guard to make it look like your home is occupied.
- Visible burglar alarms make burglars think twice.
- Car and house keys should be kept out of sight in a safe place. Don't leave them on display on window sills, in porches, hallways or kitchens. Take your handbag upstairs with you at night.
- Secure your rear garden by shutting and locking any gates. Burglars can use garden tools, like ladders to break in, so make sure you securely lock away any tools after use.

- Cut back the summer growth on front/back garden hedges and foliage, they provide excellent camouflage for burglars.
- Marked property can deter burglars because it is harder for a thief to sell on and may also help police secure a conviction.

Let's all keep safe this autumn/winter!

Cyber crime in Greenwich for July 2019 - SHOCKING

In July, there were 114 reports made to Action Fraud from Greenwich residents, who have lost a whopping £100,476 to scammers in one month alone. The top 3 frauds by type of 'report' were: on-line shopping (£26,751 lost), misc (£970 lost) and banking fraud (£14,404 lost). By 'amount reported lost' the figures are: on-line shopping (£26,751 lost), investment fraud (£16,108 lost) and banking fraud (£14,404 lost). **Be doubly vigilant when doing online shopping or when taking 'cold' door or phone callers.** Seek advice from legitimate agencies (HMRC, TV Licensing etc.) by phoning them to check unsolicited emails and phone calls.

Let's keep our savings safe from scammers.

Report cyber crime or fraud by visiting:

<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/reporting-fraud-and-cyber-crime>

or ring Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or RBG Trading Standards on 020 8921 8223

CCNW CO-ORDINATORS

Why not become a street co-ordinator and help to reduce crime and the fear of crime? Want to know more about what we do? then visit:

<http://ccnwatch.org> or speak to one of our existing co-ordinators

- **Calydon** – Dhesi on 07816 548581
- **Delafield** – Annie on 0208 305 1484 / Brenda on 07939 090676
- **Inverine** – Cathy on 0208 488 2188 / Jonathan on 07875 054597
- **Nadine / Gollogly** – Lydia on 07956 207155
- **Swallowfield** – Heather on 07836 559420
- **Elliscombe** - Michelle on 07957 275739