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# Newsletter

from your Local Police **SPRING 2021**



One thing to remember is that Spring tends to be the season in which we spend most time gardening. It's good news for your greenery, but potentially a welcome invitation to thieves, as we often tend to leave garage doors open to easily access tools or front doors unlocked whilst you are in the garden.

Residents can make their garages more secure by following some basic crime prevention advice such as:

- Keep your garages and sheds locked while using tools and ensure you put them away after use, or they could be used as a means of entry.
- Make sure front and garage doors are closed and secure whilst out in the garden.
- Make sure fences around your home are secure and not broken.
- Consider planting defensive hedging and plants to deter criminals.
- More crime prevention advice is available at [www.met.police.uk/crime prevention](http://www.met.police.uk/crime-prevention)

### What's happening in your neighbourhood?

Muswell Hill SNT with collaboration from Alexandra SNT made an arrest regarding Criminal Damage.

In addition we have completed 8 Stop and Searches, 5 ASB warning notices issued regarding Vagrancy Act at Muswell Hill Broadway. Parents of 2 children have been spoken in relation to Anti-Social Behaviour.

Our SNT shift pattern has been changed for the first 3 weeks of March from early too late shifts to reduce residential burglary, commercial burglary and ASB on our ward. We have extended these late shifts to work into the early hours of the morning.

## Responding to your concerns:

Local Police Officers together with the Ward Panel members for Muswell Hill have set three 'ward promises'. These promises are what your local policing team will focus their efforts on in order to reduce crime in the area.

**You said:** Robberies (street robberies) is a concern for the residents of Muswell Hill.

**We did:** We continue to conduct patrols in most affected areas on our ward to deter and detect robbery. A mixture of plain clothes and high visibility patrols have led to a good result. These patrols are ongoing.

**You said:** You would like us to focus on Anti-Social Behaviour; to focus on pockets of ASB as they arise – thus at this time will include Valette Court and around St James Church.

**We did:** We have listened to local concerns about ASB in Valette Court and around St James Church on the ward. The team continues to work hard to reduce ASB on the ward. The team regularly patrols above locations. The team have targeted and increased patrols in and around these locations at relevant times to deter and prevent anti-social behaviour.

**You said:** You are concerned about Theft of Catalytic Converter from Cars in the area.

**We did:** The majority of vehicle crime is made up of theft from motor vehicles, mainly catalytic converter. We continue to visit victims of such crimes and will also attend residents' homes to discuss crime prevention and vehicle security. Officers in plain clothes and in uniform are on patrol in order to target and arrest motor vehicle crime suspects. We have conducted leaflet drops in hot spot areas to keep residents alerted to remain vigilant and ask that do not leave any valuables inside your vehicles. Significant arrest of individual and vehicles seized follow intelligence submitted by the public across London and surroundings counties.



## NextDoor.co.uk:

We are on NextDoor.co.uk. Come join the 2408 members of Muswell Hill ward who are already on it; interacting with our policing updates. This online community is growing and key neighbourhood contacts involved with some neighbourhood watch and other local groups use this.

**Weapon Sweep:** Your local officer had carried out some weapons sweeps over the last couple of months across the Muswell Hill. During the weapons sweep one Rambo knife was found which was discarded inside the bushes.

In response to the knife crime occurring on the borough alongside the work we are doing with schools to educate and prevent people from carry knives and other weapons.

If you have information about anyone carrying or using knives then contact your Local Policing Team immediately or anonymously via Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111. Together we can make Haringey a safer place for all.

### **Graffiti:**

Graffiti is often used to mark out gang territory and drug dealing. Haringey council aims to remove graffiti as soon as possible but it needs to be told when it appears. If you spot new graffiti, please report the exact location and the link will be published immediately as soon as we get it.

### **COVID:**

The COVID – 19 pandemic has made us change some of our normal working practices, mainly around how we communicate with our residents and businesses. Protect yourself and your community by getting vaccinated. If you are a resident of Cranley Gardens, Woodland Gardens, Woodland Rise and Connaught Gardens you may have already seen us knocking on doors. We are trying to visit every property on the ward to introduce ourselves and distributed Catalytic Converter Theft Leaflets.



### **Report all crime/ASB that you witness:**

Please report any crime or anti-social behaviour you witness in a timely manner to help the police and council to respond and to map the location and time of persistent problems. Go to our website [www.met.police.uk/report](http://www.met.police.uk/report) to see the best reporting method to use.

Remember, if a crime is in progress phone 999. For ASB phone 101 for the police or use on of the web links provided on our website.

Wishing you all the best  
Muswell Hill SNT