

Ruislip Police Station Open Day

Saturday 10 December, 10am until 3pm. The police station will be open for festivities. Bring the kids and come and try the lucky dip, meet Father Christmas and get your fingerprints taken. Lots more including the police sniffer dogs, vintage police cars and PC Webber singing some songs. Happy Christmas to you all.



The Chief's Brief

It's that time of year again. Getting together with family and friends. Eating too much. Drinking too much. Giving and getting gifts.

Unfortunately it is also that time of year again when burglars decide to help themselves. Please do everything you can to reduce your chances of being burgled this Christmas. Leave a light on; double lock all doors and windows; do not leave a pile of boxes outside advertising all your new gifts. If you see anyone acting suspiciously in your road then always call police. Better to be safe than sorry.

On a completely separate note, I would ask for your help in publicising the **Hillingdon Police Facebook** site. Much as we try, so far only 1500 have liked us and therefore see our updates on their newsfeed.

We might not include the salacious or controversial content that makes some social media sites so interesting, but what we can offer you are the facts. I hope that even in this world of instant

gratification and soundbites that still matters to most of you. If you are on FB please like our page.

Due to the busy month ahead, there will be no issue of the Communicator in January but normal service will resume in February. If you have time off over Christmas and New Year then have a great time – and spare a thought for all the Emergency Services and other essential workers who carry on regardless.



T/Chief Insp Rob Bryan

Theft of mopeds and motorbikes

Bikes are an easy target for thieves. Don't make it easy for them.

Ensure your motorcycle or moped has adequate security and you have sufficient insurance to cover any loss. Fit a tracker which can be monitored with a smart phone app. You are less likely to have your motorcycle or moped stolen if it has an alarm fitted. Alarms with movement sensors are preferable as they activate when the motorbike is moved.

A ground anchor and good quality disk locks, security shackles and chains will prevent someone easily removing your motorbike. Consider property marking your motorbike components with a suitable product. This will make it less desirable to thieves and harder for them to dispose of it or sell it on.

Confidence in policing. Again...

In Newsletter 4 we told you about how the Met Police is measured on confidence levels and asked for feedback so we could improve those levels. We were languishing on 58% at the time.

In the next newsletter we fed back on what you told us, and also explained what we were doing to address your concerns. In last months newsletter we told you about how Hillingdon was doubling Dedicated Ward Officers across the Borough a whole year ahead of the rest of London.

Last month we received the latest results from the Public Attitude Survey. We now have the ignominy of reducing even further. Now only 56% of those surveyed in Hillingdon think the police are doing a good job. We are now the lowest in London. The Met police average is 69% and the highest Borough (Hammersmith) is on 82%. That is a confidence gap of 26% between Hillingdon and the top Borough.

What is interesting is that our satisfaction levels are at 80%. What is the difference between the two? Satisfaction relates to those who had cause to call police and access their services. Confidence is a wider measure and is influenced by people's perception of us whether they have needed us or not. So the question is what is making so many people, who have not needed us, say we are not doing a good job when asked? The sample size is small but that is the same for every Borough. What we need to understand is what makes nearly half of them say they are unhappy with what we are doing? Your suggestions are always welcome at rob.bryan@met.police.uk and if you can spread this newsletter to a wider audience then that would be very helpful too.

Looking into the results in depth throws up some interesting statistics. In the north of the Borough 55% of those surveyed felt they were kept well informed – the seventh highest in London (out of 103 areas). But only 41% of the same group felt they saw enough police on the street (the lowest in London). We are uplifting our DWOs on Safer Neighbourhood Teams, we run regular highly visible operations in the north and we communicate what we are doing via newsletters, public meetings and social media. There never has been, and never will be, a copper on every street

corner. Please be realistic when answering these surveys. Hillingdon has over 500 cops and PCSOs – the most ever. Safer Neighbourhood Teams, Emergency Response, CID and Burglary Squads. They are there making a real difference. If you don't believe it, don't moan through your keyboards on social media sites – get involved, share our newsletters and come to our public ward panel meetings. Let us prove to you what a great job the officers in Hillingdon are doing.

Did we mention that we have doubled our DWOs a year ahead of other areas? 😊

Court Results

Marcel Mills - 7 years in prison for robbery, 5 years (to run concurrently) for possession of an imitation firearm with intent to cause fear or violence.

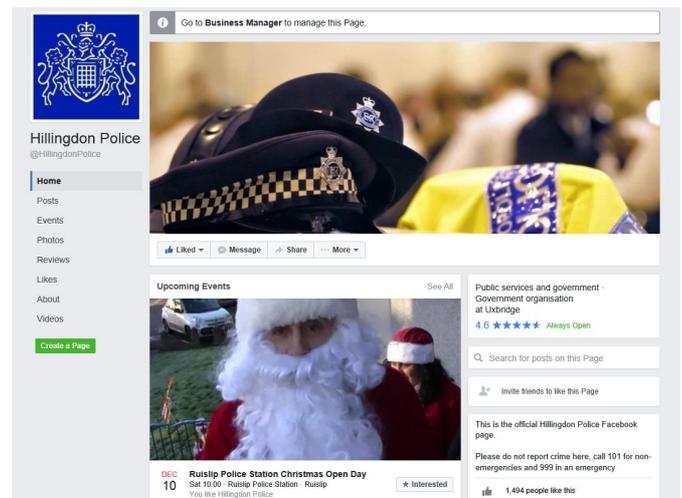
Radwan Mehdaoui - 21 months in prison for robbery.

Roy Salisbury - 9 years and 4 months in prison for burglary.

Daniel O'Brien - 9 years in prison for burglary.

Charles O'Leary - 8 years and 8 months in prison for burglary.

Hillingdon Police FB page – just the facts ma'am



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