

Rob's Rapport

Doom and gloom. That's the usual headlines about police. I guess we get those types of stories because that is what we like to read. But there are a lot of brilliant things that the police are doing that just never make the headlines. A lot of that good work is unreported because from the officer's point of view it is just their job. But being a cop is so much more than just a job and I wanted to share this note we received about one of our excellent officers that really emphasizes that point:



"Last night we were attended by PC Razzaq. She called to let us know what time she was expected and from the moment of meeting the vulnerable gentleman she was brilliant. She was calm and compassionate. She was honest throughout and went out of her way to make a man with dementia as included in the crime report as possible, whilst explaining to those caring for him the processes she could put in place because of his vulnerability. She went above and beyond to protect the gentleman and even gave me (a lone female) a lift home so that I didn't have to walk alone at night. I honestly don't know how her enormous heart fits in her uniform. I feel so at peace knowing that she is protecting the vulnerable in society. I am so proud she is a police officer. We would love to pass on our thanks and gratitude to a woman who is changing the world with love and compassion. Thank you so much PC Razzaq."

Haters are always going to hate, but I know we have the best police in the world. Well done PC Razzaq.

Inspector Rob Bryan

Without Fear or Favour

Can I ask a favour of those of you who like to communicate with us? I positively encourage communication, without you telling us about problems, how can we solve them?

But...can I ask that if you are contacting your local Safer Neighbourhood Team about a problem, there is no need to copy in the inspector. If you are emailing me with a concern there is no need to copy in the Borough Commander. When everyone gets copied in, then everyone has to read the same email and invariably everyone sends out further emails. Keep it to those you are raising the issue with in the first instance and escalate in the second instance if you don't get a response.

It makes me feel like you don't trust me to do a good job unless you copy in the boss too or that you are using the fact you know the boss as a short cut to a resolution. Knowing the bosses email address shouldn't open any additional doors for you anyway as we treat everyone without fear or favour.

As I say, this isn't trying to stop any flow of information or diminishing any community relations we have. It's just about keeping everyone's Inbox manageable so we can get out and do some real police work too. Thank you ☺

Ruislip Police Station Open Day

Is it too early to mention Christmas? Of course not.



Our annual Christmas open day at Ruislip Police Station is scheduled for **Saturday 9 December** between **10am and 3pm**. Please bring the kids along to meet Father Christmas and Frosty the Snowman. There will also be the tombola, face painting, custody, our singing policemen and much more.

Lest We Forget

On Sunday 12 November we will remember those who died in past conflicts and those who continue to risk their lives for us and others today.

There have been some news stories about police not being in attendance at some Remembrance Day events. It is important to point out that the running of an event doesn't fall to the police and organisers should always be able to safely run events without the attendance of police.

That being said, **Hillingdon Police will always remember**, and barring any major incident local police officers will be at all the main Acts of Remembrance across the borough.



Hillingdon's Beat

Knife crime is a growing concern across London. Hillingdon is a safe borough to live and work in but nevertheless we still have knife crime here too.

Our officers are working really hard to keep you safe and below are just a few stories. Please don't be frightened, these stories are clumped together to show you what we are doing and not to scare you.



Above: Ch Supt Wingrove with the knives collected in our knife bin at Uxbridge Police Station.

Below: The knife on the left was recovered during the search of a car. The driver was arrested. The one on the right was found on a person who was also arrested.



The home-made weapon below was recovered during a search of an address for drugs. And during a separate search for a person wanted for GBH, the knife on the right was found in easy reach of the suspect.



And this knife was found on someone during a routine stop and search. The "owner" was arrested.