

## November 2014 Newsletter

### Residential Burglaries August and September

	Aug 14	Sep 14
Barnhill	8	4
Botwell	11	6
Brunel	9	9
Cavendish	6	2
Charville	7	3
Eastcote & East Ruislip	4	7
Harefield	5	3
Heathrow Villages	9	4
Hillingdon East	6	3
Ickenham	4	2
Manor	6	3
Northwood	5	3
Northwood Hills	8	13
Pinkwell	3	5
South Ruislip	5	5
Townfield	2	10
Uxbridge North	3	8
Uxbridge South	6	5
West Drayton	13	5
West Ruislip	4	2
Yeading	13	4
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*Data from MPS Crime  
Mapping*

### Christmas Crime Prevention:

- Look at your home through a burglar's eyes – where are the weak security spots? Go outside and look through your windows; what can you see that may tempt a thief?
- Do not store high value presents in sheds/garages where the locks may be inadequate.
- After Christmas do not advertise new high-value items by leaving boxes on display outside for refuse collection.
- Remove keys from locked windows/doors and do not leave on display. Do not leave house/car keys near the front door.
- Consider buying timer switches for lights and radios; leave radios tuned to a talk station.
- If you are going away, do not put your home address on suitcase labels for the outward journey.

**Christmas Shopping:** Keeping safe when shopping is just as important whether in Oxford Street or the local high street. There are a few simple steps you can take to look after all purchases and yourself:

- Do not leave bags unattended when considering further purchases or stopping for a snack or coffee.
- Ensure that mobile 'phones and purses are not left on desks, tables or hanging out of pockets/handbags.
- Remember to be vigilant at cashpoints and put your money away securely before leaving. Be aware of people standing close by.
- When leaving the car put your purchases in the boot, close windows and lock doors. Remove satnav and markings.
- If you have a disability, consider taking a friend with you.

Co-ordinators and neighbours, please feel free to make contact on the HNW telephone number above, via e-mail or write to us at Ruislip Police Station, 5 The Oaks, Ruislip HA4 7LE

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Neighbourhood  
Watch** is supported by Hillingdon Community Trust and the London Borough of Hillingdon

There is more information on our web site on all the topics in this Newsletter and other matters  
[www.hillingdonnhw.co.uk](http://www.hillingdonnhw.co.uk)



**Neighbourhood  
Watch**

**Darker Evenings:** As predicted, now that the darker evenings have arrived, burglary rates have already risen. Do please take on board the advice offered in last month's newsletter which is still available on our website.

**SmartWater Offer:** SmartWater is a traceable liquid which can be applied to mark valuables. Anything marked with this product can be traced – identifying the true owner and linking the criminal with the crime. We have been advised that the following packs are available at a considerable discount:

- Home Security pack - £25.00 (represents a saving of £59.88)
- Vehicle Security pack - £15.00 (represents a saving of £24.98)

To take advantage of these considerable savings, go to [www.smartwater.com/shop](http://www.smartwater.com/shop) and enter the promotional code MYCPHAV. You will also need to purchase a UV torch if you want to see it glow!

**Ruislip Police Station Festive Fun Day:** will be held on Saturday 6 December from 10am until 4pm. Come and visit our stall as well as enjoying the attractions on offer – Santa's Grotto, police sniffer dogs, classic police cars and activities for children, including the custody experience and making of their own warrant card. Make a note in your diary for what promises to be an exciting day – FREE OF CHARGE.

**Scams:** continue unabated. Remember, if it sounds too good to be true then it probably is. Do report scams to [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk) or by 'phone to 0300 123 2040.

**An apology** to all our readers who had hoped to visit our stall at the Hillingdon Day of Older People on 30 September. Unfortunately, owing to illness, we had to withdraw at the last moment.

**Welcome:** This month we welcome new and revitalised watches in: Cromwell Road, Hayes, Greenwood Road, Hayes, Silver Way, Hillingdon. Well done!

**BE AN ACTIVE GOOD NEIGHBOUR,  
BE ON WATCH AND  
BE ON A WATCH.**