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## November 2015 Newsletter

### Residential Burglaries

	27 Sept.	4 Oct	11 Oct	18 Oct	25 Oct
0	1	2	0	0	
1	1	0	1	1	
4	1	0	0	1	
0	2	0	0	1	
1	2	1	1	3	
1	0	0	0	1	
1	1	0	1	1	
0	2	1	1	1	
1	1	0	2	0	
1	2	0	1	0	
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1	0	2	3	1	
1	0	0	4	0	
0	1	0	2	3	
0	1	4	3	0	
0	0	0	1	0	
2	0	1	2	3	
1	1	1	2	1	
1	1	0	0	0	
1	2	0	2	1	
2	0	2	1	1	
20	21	15	28	21	

Data from MPS Hillingdon

This is the time of year when burglary figures tend to rise. In an attempt to reduce this and a range of other crimes, the Met. has launched **Operation Omega** throughout Greater London, whereby a surge in police activity will hopefully deliver a substantial reduction in crime. To help facilitate this, Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators have been asked to assist in making their local communities safer, by means of increased vigilance during two particularly busy weeks – 30 October to 5 November (Hallowe'en/Guy Fawkes) and **30 November to 6 December (prime Christmas shopping period)**. HNW has decided that the focus for our borough should be on **burglary** and **vehicle crime**. Many of our Co-ordinators have signed up to help and will have already (during the first focus week) scrutinised their watch areas for obvious lapses in property and vehicle security. They will also be encouraging members to display a meerkat sticker which is the obvious deterrent to would-be burglars that the occupant of that particular house has taken security precautions. The incidence of any damaged/missing HNW road signs will be reported to us for replacement where watches are active.

For this initiative to be successful, the co-operation of all watch members will be required. The easiest way to achieve this is for everyone to look at their home through the eyes of a burglar in order to spot the weak security spots. Try going outside and looking through windows to see what is readily on display. Last month's newsletter listed the obvious security precautions needed – it is still available via our website. Similarly, the website has comprehensive information on how to avoid vehicle crime. Please use these free resources – they will hopefully save you from becoming a burglary victim.

To contact your ward  
Local Neighbourhood  
Police Team, phone:  
0208 721 followed by:

- 2554 - Barnhill
  - 2757 - Botwell
  - 2551 - Brunel
  - 2550 - Cavendish
  - 2552 - Charville
  - 2548 - E'cote & E Ruis
  - 2544 - Harefield
  - 2557 - Heathrow
  - 2553 - Hillingdon East
  - 2543 - Ickenham
  - 2549 - Manor
  - 2545 - Northwood
  - 2546 - Northwood Hills
  - 2556 - Pinkwell
  - 2011 - South Ruislip
  - 2009 - Townfield
  - 2782 - Uxbridge North
  - 2758 - Uxbridge South
  - 2018 - West Drayton
  - 2547 - West Ruislip
  - 2733 - Yeading
  - 2713 - Yiewsley
- If no reply call 101

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

**Hillingdon  
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

**On a brighter note**, Ruislip Police Station will be holding its third **Festive Fun Day** on **Saturday 5 December** from **10am until 3pm**. Santa will be in his grotto, the sniffer dogs will be visiting and there will be many children's activities for them to enjoy and, of course, our own stall with some useful security devices to give away. **Save the date NOW.**

**Christmas Shopping:** Herewith some reminders for your personal safety and that of your purchases:

- When stopping for a snack /coffee or considering further purchases, do not leave your bags unattended even for a split second.
- Ensure that mobile phones and purses are not left on counters/tables or hanging out of pockets or handbags.
- Remember to be vigilant at cashpoints and put 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.
- Take a friend with you if you have a disability.

**Scams update:** Beware of cold calling conmen who are pretending to be from the **Telephone Preference Service** requesting money to set up what is a free service to stop nuisance calls.

Fraudsters are telephoning victims telling them that they are in the wrong **Council Tax band** and in order to receive a rebate there is an administration charge of £60-£350. Local councils will never do this.

People are being targeted to become **Parcel Mules** through job adverts and dating websites. They are persuaded to have items delivered to their addresses and to pay for postage before sending the items elsewhere. Never agree to receive packages for someone that you do not know or trust.

**Don't forget** that some insurance companies still offer a discount on house contents policies to members of **ACTIVE** registered watches. Ask the question next time you renew your policy.

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