



**Hillingdon
Neighbourhood
Watch**

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Data from MPS Hillingdon

Residential Burglaries =WEEK ENDING=

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 & ERuis
- 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
- TOTALS**

	29 May	5 June	12 June	19 June
	0	3	1	2
	0	2	0	0
	0	1	0	0
	1	0	0	0
	0	0	3	2
	1	1	1	0
	1	0	0	0
	1	0	0	2
	0	3	1	0
	0	1	0	0
	1	0	1	0
	1	0	0	2
	1	1	1	0
	3	1	1	2
	0	1	1	0
	1	1	0	0
	0	1	0	3
	1	2	0	1
	1	1	0	1
	0	1	0	1
	1	1	1	1
	1	2	3	1
TOTALS	15	23	14	18

Insp. Bryan writes: Burglary is such an invasive crime. Help me to reduce the numbers in our area by making sure you are not vulnerable to the most common break-in methods:

- **UPVC doors** must be double locked with a key. If you just lift the handle then the door can be prised open in seconds. Some wooden doors are also fitted with these locks.
- If you can climb your **side gate or fences** in seconds, so can a thief. Use prickly strips or trellis panels to make it difficult
- **Front porches** need to be kept locked otherwise they are just a burglar's hidey-hole.
- **Flat roofs, unsecured ladders and open first floor windows** are a burglar's invitation.
- **THINK SECURITY ALL THE TIME**

As the **holiday season** reaches its peak, everyone going on holiday needs to heed the following advice, in addition to the measures recommended above:

- Make your home look **occupied**. Don't close curtains – in daytime this shows the house is empty. Use automatic timer switches to turn your lights on after dark.
- Cancel any milk or newspaper **deliveries**.
- Avoid discussing **holiday plans** where strangers may hear details of your absence.
- **Uncollected mail** is a sign that you are away. Ask a neighbour to help.
- **Cut the lawn** before you go and trim back any plants which burglars could hide behind.
- Consider moving valuable items (bikes, etc) from your shed/garage to the house for the duration of your holiday.
- Do not put your **home address** on your luggage whilst travelling to your holiday destination.

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

Keep in Touch
Co-ordinators and neighbours, please keep in contact on the HNW telephone number above, via email or write to us at Ruislip Police Station, 5 The Oaks, Ruislip HA4 7LE. Our website also contains further information on topics in this newsletter
www.hillingdonnhw.co.uk



The recruitment initiative for **new watches** throughout the Borough continues, with a further 16 being registered over the past 2 months, making a total of 34 since the initiative began. The latest new watches are located as follows: Brunel (2), Charville (1), E'cote & E Ruis. (1), Harefield (1), Ickenham (1), Manor (2), Northwood (2), Northwood Hills (3), Uxbridge S (1), Yiewsley (2). The SNTs are to be congratulated for their help in making this all possible and for maintaining links with new and existing Co-ordinators.

SmartWater is a liquid which allows residents to mark their valuable property such as jewellery, mobiles, electrical items and bikes. It uses a unique forensic code so that police can easily identify stolen property and return it to its rightful owner.

Under the **MetTrace** scheme residents in specified roads (determined by the police) in target wards are able to receive this product free of charge. These target wards are **Barnhill, Botwell, Brunel, Cavendish, Northwood Hills, Pinkwell, South Ruislip, Uxbridge South, Yeading, Yiewsley**.

Members of **active watches registered with HNW** not located in the target areas can purchase SmartWater at the reduced cost of £25.00 (normal price is £75.00). If you are interested in taking advantage of this offer, the following action needs to be taken:

- E-mail HNW with your name, address, name of watch and electoral ward e.g. Botwell, Northwood, etc., as some road names are duplicated across the borough. No access to E-mail? If possible please ask a friend or relative for assistance since communication by 'phone for this will be impractical.
- HNW will check that the watch has been registered to the database and is active.
- A flyer bearing the unique Hillingdon promotional code will be issued electronically, together with instructions on how to obtain the product.

Further information about SmartWater and its features may be found on our website.

Please note that you as an individual will be buying direct from SmartWater. HNW is only issuing the discount code in order that you can purchase at reduced cost, so any queries you may have regarding the product itself should be addressed directly to SmartWater, not to HNW.

Welcome to all our new Watch Co-ordinators and members. Look on our website for a wealth of useful crime prevention information.

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