

Dear Ward Member

Please have a look at the March 2018 newsletter detailing what your officers have been dealing with last month.

Contact Points

As mentioned last month due to the London wide closures of many police Stations Northwood Hills officers have introduced Contact Points at Northwood Hills Library which provide the community a chance to engage with their local team and discuss issues.

Further to this, Contact Points will be held twice a week at Ruislip Police Station as the nearest 24hr police station is now at Hayes which some residents may find too far to travel.

Ruislip Police Station will be open every **Wednesday** at **5pm**, and every **Saturday** at **2pm**, for a 1 hour contact point with a police officer.

Recent Ward Activity

Officers have been investigating a number of local issues this month, and using various tactics to deal with the situations.

After reports of drug dealing in several locations, officers have conducted multiple covert patrols to try to identify individuals or groups associated with the problem. So far, several people have been spoken with and intelligence gathered but no arrests made as of yet.



(Above) PCSO Soler and PC Christmas attended Pit Stop Promotions during patrols of Ferndown, Briarwood Drive and Oakdale Avenue after allegations of anti-social behaviour in the area.

Officers have also been made aware of a new scam in the Hillingdon and Harrow areas, where drivers are being stopped and accused of hitting a wing mirror of a vehicle whilst driving. The suspects then ask for a small amount of money to make repairs, rather than making a claim to their insurance company. In these cases the victims have not hit the other car, and therefore are paying money for something that was already broken. The team have reported two of these fraud/scam offences recently and the investigations are ongoing.

PC Christmas has had a good result at Court this month, when a prolific offender was found guilty of causing criminal damage, sentencing to follow.

Crime prevention

Keep your phone safe in crowds

Don't give thieves and easy opportunity; think before using your phone in public.

- Don't leave your phone on tables in pubs or restaurants.
- When you leave a train or tube station don't use your phone immediately, leave it a while.
- Don't walk or text at the same time, you will be less aware of what is happening around you.
- Keep calls in public places as brief as possible, the longer you talk, the more likely you are to be spotted by a potential thief.

If your phone is stolen

- Report it to your service provider immediately so they can prevent anyone else from using it.
- Report the theft to the police and to your insurance provider, if you have one.

Give yourself the best chance of recovering your phone if it is stolen

- Mark your phone with your house number and postcode and register it with Immobilise at www.immobilise.com
- Your phone has a unique 15 digit IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity) number. Type `*#06#` into your mobile phone. Register this number with your service provider and, if your phone is stolen they will be able to bar its use across every network.

Upcoming Events

Wed 7th Mar @ 3pm - Community Contact Session

Wed 14th Mar @ 12pm - Community Contact Session

Mon 19th Mar @ 12pm - Community Contact Session

Mon 26th @ 3pm - Community Contact Session

Meet us at Northwood Hills Library, Potter Street to discuss crime prevention advice and any other issues. Also this is an opportunity for you have a chat with the local team.

Coffee with a copper

Fri 16th Mar @ 11am

Wed 28th Mar @ 5pm

Meet us at Costa on Joel Street. We will be waiting for you

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Please Remember

In an emergency dial 999. For all other police related enquiries call our non-emergency number 101 or visit our website

www.met.police.uk

Register your phone to help us identify you if it's stolen.

Over 34 million items are registered to the Immobilise website and police recovered over 2,500 of those items last month. Register your phone today to help police identify & return it to you in the event that it's lost or stolen.