

# ACTON NEIGHBOURHOOD

# POLICE UPDATE

THE FORTNIGHTLY NEWS SHEET OF THE FIVE ACTON SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAMS

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Welcome to the eleventh issue of the Acton Neighbourhood Update. This issue we'll be talking about the ongoing issue of cold calling and door to door sales, a timely arrest for drink driving where the suspect was nearly four times over the limit and the closure of a notorious address known for serious drugs misuse. We'll also be introducing a new Dedicated Ward Officer for the South Acton Ward and learning how Acton Central officers raised over £200 for charity.

## SOUTHFIELD WARD

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Throughout the week immediately following the Parsons Green Terrorist Incident, officers were tasked to undertake reassurance patrols at all the railway stations throughout the Cluster. Southfield Officers did their bit and spent some time talking to passengers at Acton Central, Acton Town and Chiswick Park Stations.

There has been a considerable amount of concern in the ward about instances where cold callers and door to door salesmen (and women) have been bothering

residents at their front doors. The Team would like to advise everyone that they should not engage with these people at all. Its fair to say also that residents should not believe a word of what a caller says until they can prove categorically that they are who they say they are.

You should never pay up front for anything or agree to any work until you have had the necessity verified by a tradesman you have independently appointed.

You should certainly never pass any financial information to anyone at the door. This has actually happened on a number of occasions for some of these callers are extremely believable.

To help publicise their concern the Team have developed an A5 window sticker which warns potential callers before they knock on any doors. This is reproduced in this newsletter and you are invited to print it off, cut it out and display it in your front windows.

**You will find this at the very end of this newsletter.**

On Friday 29th September PCSO Stuart Honey and PC's Aga Piatek and Simon Cole spent an hour or so knocking on doors on Church Path introducing themselves to residents. The Team recognise the importance of getting to know the residents in their ward

and the officer was able to answer many of the concerns raised and questions asked.

On Monday 25th September were alerted to a female begging and living in a tent on Beconsfield Road. PC's Simon Cole and Aga Piatek attended. They arrested a young lady who had been living in the tent and begging throughout the immediate area for non payment of a fine of £215 and the Breach of a Court Order. One positive of this action was that as that as her predicament had come to our notice, the Team were able to alert the appropriate authorities and organise some future help for her.

On the same day PC Simon Cole and an East Acton Officer, PC Luke Greenman were called to a parked vehicle on Valetta Road W3. On approaching the vehicle they were surprised to see the female passenger slouched down eating what transpired to be raw bacon. When they asked the driver to open the windows they couldn't help but notice that the whole footwell of the vehicle was covered with empty lager cans, and they were almost knocked over by the smell of alcohol.

They checked out his details on the police computer and also discovered that he had no Insurance or MOT. He was consequently arrested for being drunk in charge and for driving a vehicle with no MOT or insurance.

It all goes to show that while all arrests are interesting, some are more interesting than others....

The team have been undergoing heightened patrols of the Beconsfield Estate to deter Anti Social Behaviour. This has resulted in a group of suspect youths moving away from the area.

They have also undertaken Weapon Sweeps in the area which all had a negative result.

The team also helped the East Acton Team with a Premises Closure on West Vale Mews, as well as continuing to take part in Counter Terrorism Reassurance Patrols near railway stations.

## **Forthcoming Events**

### **Cuppa with a Copper**

Fri Oct 18 Melody South Parade 11-12pm

Tues Oct 24 Sparrow Café Acton Lane 11-12pm

Mon Oct 30 Plum Duff Southfield road 11-12pm

Sun Nov 5 Lavelli South Parade 4-5pm

### **Street Briefings**

Thurs Oct 5 Mansell Road 6-7pm

Mon Oct 16 Woodstock Road 6-7pm

Mon 23 Oct Alexandra Road 6-7pm

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On Monday 18th September 2017 ward officers attended St Gregory's School, W5 and spoke with the head teacher. The ward has built solid links with the school and it was great to meet and speak with Margaret once again at the start of the new academic year. It was also a delight to see the Council Enforcement Officers outside the school following on from the joint operation the ward did with Ealing Council last year.

The head teacher was able to discuss issues that have come to light from speaking with parents and officers assisted with resolving any concerns.

Staying on the schools topic, ward officers were patrolling outside Montpelier Primary School, W5 on Friday 22nd September 2017 where they were able to speak with parents and discuss any concerns they had.

Ward officers will continue to work with the schools on the ward and with Road Safety Week fast approaching there'll be more talks with children about keeping safe!

On Sunday 24th September 2017 ward officers were on patrol around Royal Parade, W5 when they noticed a group of males drinking alcohol in the street. Officers stopped these males and it was clear they were being obstructive by stating they spoke little English. As they were going to receive a verbal warning as part of the wards Community Protection Notice, officers used "Language Line" in order to aid communication.

The interpreter was able to confirm the details of one of the men and initially, when being spoken to, the man stated he had no ID. By the end of the call he somehow managed to provide officers with his Identity card.

Ward officers also spoke with a nearby Newsagent to ensure they were obeying with their licensing conditions and reports are being compiled to tackle this issue with the Police Licensing Team.

All four men were given a verbal warning and the Community Protection Notice procedure was explained to them.

The ward has given numerous verbal warnings in relation to ASB and street drinking and will continue to do so in relevant areas.

Officers met with Ealing Council representatives where talks about alleyway gate applications were being considered. Ward officers provided details of crime trends in the area which will support the Police in tackling ASB and burglaries. Officer's research has helped confirm that alleyway gates are being installed in the area and await for the works to commence.

On Wednesday 27th September 2017 ward officers delivered thorough crime prevention surveys to certain residents on Woodville Gardens, W5. There was a recent burglary in the area and officers took the time to engage with local residents. To the residents delight ward officers suggested cost effective methods to improve the safety of their house.

As winter fast approaches, residents can use timer switches for lights and radios. Ensure any packaging for new products is thrown out on the day of recycling and not put in the garden beforehand. Don't leave valuables

in sight and register all items with a serial number on **[immobilise.com](http://immobilise.com)**

Residents are also reminded that their respective ward teams are available to assist with crime prevention surveys.

Also, on Wednesday 27th September 2017 officers worked alongside Catalyst Housing's ASB team. The Police team have worked with Catalyst Housing in the past who have been able to resolve local problems. One of the issues raised on this occasion was housing. The SNT spoke with a local resident to hear their specific concerns and then liaised with the ASB team at the housing association who will support them through the application process to put a bid in to move.

The resident was delighted with the local Police Team's help and their continued support in helping improve their quality of life.

On Wednesday 27th September 2017 ward officers received information that a local off licence wanted to introduce the sale of stronger beers which would mean a higher alcohol content

This raised alarm bells with the Police Team as the Community Protection Notice (CPN) is running on the ward and officers are out dealing with street drinkers in order to reduce ASB. Therefore an objection was put in by the team which has also been forwarded to the Licensing Team. Its important to address this issue from its roots and therefore, ward officers will continue with their spontaneous visits to licensed premises to ensure there is a strong level of compliance.

The introduction of the CPN has been well received by ward residents and there has been a decrease in street drinking in areas of the ward known for this problem. Officers will continue to measure the results of the CPN to ensure this is the best method to deal with this ward promise.

On Thursday 28th September 2017 ward officers assisted Ealing Council with a Health and Safety visit at local Shisha Bar.

This was the second visit to the same venue conducted by both Ealing Council and the Hanger Hill SNT. The first visit raised concerns that needed acting on by the owner. Once again, this visit proved to be productive as

a number of issues were raised by the Council to ensure compliance was met.



On Saturday 23rd Sept ward officers conducted Weapons Sweeps in areas of the ward historically known for violence and where it would be easy to conceal weapons.

On Thursday 28th September 2017 and Friday 29th September 2017 ward officers assisted Southall SNT's with hi-visibility patrols around Southall. Specific patrols were conducted in areas where

potential disorder might be possible due to elections at the Sikh Temple, due to take place later in the week.

### **Weapons Sweeps -**

Tuesday 10th October 2017 - Abbeyfields Close, NW10  
2 - 3pm

Sunday 22nd October 2017 - Hanger Green, W5 - 3-  
4pm

Sunday 29th October 2017 - Hillcrest Road, W5 - 6 -  
7pm

Thursday 2nd November 2017 - Montpelier Park, W5 -  
2-3pm

Friday 10th November 2017 - Quill Street, W5 - 1- 2pm

Wednesday 15th November 2017 - Chatsworth Road,  
W5 - 2-3pm

Saturday 25th November 2017 - Thackeray Court, W5 -  
12-1pm

Tuesday 28th November 2017 - Garrick Close, W5 - 12  
- 1pm

### **Contact Point -**

#### **Ashbourne Parade, W5**

Wednesday 11th October 2017; 7-8pm

Thursday 12th October 2017; 7-8pm

Saturday 14th October 2017; 2-3pm

Wednesday 18th October 2017; 7-8pm

Thursday 19th October 2017; 7- 8pm

Saturday 21st October 2017; 2-3pm

Wednesday 25th October 2017; 7-8pm

Thursday 26th October 2017; 7-8pm

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On Wednesday the 27th of September 2017 Inspector Clarke and members from the South Acton Team attended the South Acton Ward Forum which was held at the Armenia Centre on Mill Hill Road. In front of the gathered audience Councillor Johnson took the opportunity to thank PC Young for all of his hard work and dedication to the ward over many years. Inspector Clarke then provided a cluster update before the new South Acton Ward Sergeant, Gail Stanton, introduced herself and answered questions. Sgt Stanton continues in her current role as Ward Sergeant for Southfield and has now also adopted South Acton. These are quite diverse and differing wards however with her many years of experience Sgt Stanton has a great deal to

offer the residents of South Acton whilst maintaining her well established relationship on Southfield.



On Thursday the 26th of September 2017 PC Zhang and the new dedicated ward officer, PC Rachel Sullivan, attended the Acton campus of Ealing Hammersmith and West London College. This was

freshers' week for new students starting at the college and having been invited along, the officers took this opportunity to engage with them and offer crime prevention advice.

As reported in Issue 7, Mr Luke Heath of Barwick House attended Ealing Magistrates Court on Wednesday the 20th of September 2017 having been charged with Possession with intent to supply a Class B drug, possession of a Class A drug, possession of a pointed / bladed article, driving whilst disqualified and driving with

no insurance. Mr Heath pleaded guilty to all charges prior to trial and has now been bailed to attend Isleworth Crown Court mid October for sentencing. This was a great indictment of the evidence gathered by both PC Young and PC Zhang in this matter.

As well as Twitter, @MPSSouthActon, South Acton are now on Facebook. Please search South Acton Police or follow the link and give us a follow:  
<https://www.facebook.com/South-Acton-Police-1748824568779124/>

### Forthcoming Events

#### **Cuppa with a Copper**

25/10/17 Jungle Café 11am - 12pm

11/11/2017 Starbucks 12pm-1pm

23/11/2017 Jungle Café 11am -12pm

#### **Street Briefings**

4/11/2017 Clandon road 12pm - 1pm

17/11/2017 Chaplin Road 5pm - 6pm

30/11/2017 Petersfield Road 5pm - 6pm

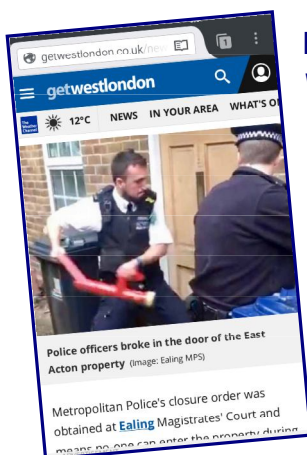
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Following on from the drugs warrant executed on an address in the ward last week, the team have worked to put an end to the continued Anti-social behaviour in the area caused by people using these premises.

With assistance from the ASB team from Ealing Council, the ward team have attended

Ealing Magistrates court in order to obtain a closure order for this problem address. The address is best described as a drugs den and the case was put before the court who agreed with police that these premises needed to be closed.



An order was granted which closes the premises to all persons for three months, including the tenant who had been allowing the address to be used in an antisocial manner.

The team then went back to the address and assisted with the ejection of the tenant from the premises and supervised the boarding up to prevent any unlawful future access.

The story generated great feedback from the public and even made the headlines on the Get West London website.

On 27 September PcsO Sandy Cumming attended one of the Team's regular "cuppa with a Copper" sessions in Acton Park where he discussed a number of issues with local residents. On the same day he also monitored the new road layout in Bromyard Avenue.

The following day saw the intrepid PCSO standing outside East Acton school and the King Fahad Academy where he spoke to both pupils and parents as they left the schools at the end of the day.

On the 29th the officer went back to the King Fahad Academy and spoke to Year One pupils about being in the police and answering their many questions.

As reported in the Southfield section earlier in this Update, an East Acton Officer, PC Luke Greenman, was patrolling with a Southfield colleague in Valetta Road when they came across an extremely inebriated gentleman sitting in a car with an equally inebriated young lady. Please refer to the Southfield section for more information about this unusual Southfield / East Acton arrest.

## Forthcoming Events

### **Cuppa with a Copper**

Mon 9 Oct Greggs. Old Oak Common Lane 12-1pm

### **Street Briefings**

Tues 10 Oct . East Acton Lane 1-2pm

Weds 18 Oct Shah Rd 1-2pm

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On the 29th September the Team held a fund raising Macmillans coffee morning at St Marys on Market Place Acton W3. This received a great deal of support and was very well attended.

The Team managed to raise over £200. Officers made and purchased numerous cakes to give on the day.



It had a very positive feel and lots of people took the time to come and chat. It was lovely to meet so many local residents in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

On the 27th September a man was arrested for breaching his ASBO

(Anti-Social Behaviour Order) at the bus stop on Horn Lane. He has historically been engaged in a great deal of Anti-Social Behaviour at this bus stop. This is not a high profile arrest, and it usually proves to be a job that requires a lot of work from the arresting officer. It is not one that a detective would take on and so in most instances jobs



like this will be dealt with by the arresting officer. Indeed this turned out to be what happened with this case. Yet this is a very important arrest type, it is the sort of low level crime that if left unchallenged can ruin an area.

Since the arrest the man in question has already improved his behaviour and spends much less time being a nuisance at this bus stop. So we will continue to challenge his behaviour and reinforce the Anti-Social Behaviour Order

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Tues 17 Oct Costa Acton High St 11am-12pm

Weds 25 Oct franks Churchfield Rd 12pm-1pm

### **Street Briefing**

Fri 20 Oct Acacia Rd 5-6pm

Fri 27 Oct Emmanuel Rd 5-6pm

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# IMPORTANT POLICE MESSAGE

(The Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading regulations 2008)

**NO COLD CALLERS OR DOOR  
TO DOOR SALES**

**DO NOT KNOCK!!**

**WE DO NOT...  
AGREE TO BUY ANYTHING OR  
AGREE TO BUILDING OR ROOF WORK  
OR PASS PERSONAL INFORMATION  
AT THE DOOR!!!**

IF YOU ATTEMPT TO DO SO WE ARE ADVISED TO  
CALL THE POLICE

YOU WILL BE REPORTED TO EALING COUNCIL  
TRADING STANDARDS

