

NEWSLETTER JULY 2015

In this issue: Crimes on the Estate, Changes to the Highgate West Hill barrier closing times and Estate road resurfacing works in September.

Security, Anti Social Behaviour & Petty Crime

Sadly we have to report that there have been several burglaries on the Estate in the last few days. Please make sure that your windows and doors are securely locked. Let your neighbours know if you are away on holiday. See the SNT item below, but please note that the police assure us this is not a crime wave.

Following a recent meeting with our Safer Neighbourhoods Police Liaison Officer we are urging all residents to report any incidents of suspicious behaviour, anti social behaviour, petty crime etc - no matter how seemingly small. The police class the Estate as a low crime area and we therefore have a reduced police patrol. By reporting all incidents to the police they can get a true picture and will increase patrols if needed.

Call 999 if urgent or a crime is in progress and 101 if non urgent.

Please also let our police liaison officer, PC Dave Cooper, know so he can follow up on any incidents. It would help him track your report if you can give him the CAD number.

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News From Our Local Police Safer Neighbourhood Team

The HIGHGATE SNT would like to make you aware that there has been an increase in burglaries over the past few months. Nearly all of these are daytime offences. Now the weather is better windows and doors are being left open and this is often the point of entry.

- Please ensure that you are careful and try not to leave valuables on display in the house.
- Please also report anything suspicious to the police on any of the numbers provided.
- Ensure access to the side and rear of the property is restricted (lockable gates). In the case of flats the communal door must be secured.
- Security lights should be fitted to the front, side and rear to increase visibly as they are an active deterrent.
- Where door locks are operated by lifting the handle, use the key to double lock the door and take the key out; remember Lift-Lock-Remove.
- An internal letterbox shield will prevent keys being fished through the letterbox.
- Close and lock all of your doors and windows.
- Protect valuables by property marking/photographing and recording the serial numbers. This increases the chances of your property being recovered and bringing the offender to justice.
- Use automatic timer-switches to turn a light on after dark so that your home appears occupied. This is particularly important during the winter months when the days are much shorter.
- Communal doors and other multi occupancy buildings must be secured to prevent people tailgating. Make sure you know who you are letting in.

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Automatic Gates - change to closing times

Please note that the automatic gates on the entrance to Holly Lodge Gardens will close a few hours earlier from Friday 24th July. They will now close every evening from 8pm until 11am the following morning.

Road & Footpath Repairs, 14-Sep to 23-Sep

In September various roads & footpaths are to be repaired;

Roads (full width)

- Holly Lodge Gardens, from 3 to 18 including the crescent by the Ginkgo tree.
- Hillway, from Langbourne Avenue to Oakeshott Avenue including the junctions
- Makepeace Avenue outside 1 & 3.

Road patches;

- Oakeshott Avenue near Hillway,
- Holly Lodge Mansions near Hillway
- Langbourne Avenue outside 2 to 6
- Bromwich Ave outside 4

Footpath patches;

- Hillway (by 93)
- Holly Lodge Mansions (by Swain's Lane north side gates and family centre)
- Makepeace Avenue (by 26 and block 57-84),
- Bromwich Avenue (alongside 10 Hillway and by 13 to 19)

The work is planned to start Monday 14-Sep and last 10 days. Signs will be placed early September and residents should ensure the affected areas are clear of cars, etc (otherwise they will be towed). Total road closures will be minimised and in most cases only half width working will be employed (notable exception is Holly Lodge Gardens). To facilitate vehicle movement some of the avenue gates will be opened.

Any resident anticipating difficulties should contact the Estate Manager.

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Due to seasonal workload, the Foreman's mobile will only be answered at 12:00–13:00 during the week. Please leave a text or voice message at other times.

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