



Meet your local Safer Neighbourhood Team:

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Tackling Youth Violence

Our key priority is to tackle youth violence. For a long time we have been working with Islington Council to help prevent young people from becoming both victims and perpetrators of violent crime. We are working together to divert young people away from crime by providing them with alternative activities ranging from bicycle and scooter workshops to photography projects.

We are using intelligence to pro-actively target youths who are involved in or are in danger of becoming involved in gang related activity. We are also using intelligence to direct our patrols which have increased in certain areas.

We would like to reassure you that anyone found committing violent or knife enabled crime in Islington will be charged and put before the courts. If you have any information about this type of activity please contact us.

Burglary at all time low in Islington!

In the last six months the number of domestic burglaries has dropped by 13 percent!

This means 182 fewer residents have been victims of burglary! Historically, burglary starts to rise now. With longer nights and houses in darkness, it is an opportune time for burglars. To counteract this, we are targeting known and wanted burglars and have made 33 arrests for burglary during the period of 25.10.07 to 20.11.07! That's more than one a day!

Burglary Crime Prevention Tips:

- Don't leave high value goods such as presents on display to people outdoors.
- Letterbox burglaries - do not leave keys, including car keys, within reach or on display to a burglar.
- Keep foliage at the front low to increase visibility
- Introduce low density but constant lighting at the front & rear of premises.
- Record property serial numbers using www.immobilise.com.

For more information contact Islington Crime Prevention Office on 020 7421 0227 or Holloway on 020 7421 0609.

Ward Priorities

To tackle youth anti-social behaviour on:

1. Bridgeman Road.
2. Thornhill Square.

Caledonian Safer Neighbourhood Team wish you a safe and happy Christmas and New Year!



Diversions activities help to steer youths away from violent crime



13% reduction in domestic burglaries in Islington in the last 6 months!

Caledonian Ward



Halloween Success

“After New Years Eve, Halloween and Bonfire Night is one of our busiest periods. So, with Islington Council and London Fire Brigade, we introduced extra patrols to deal with the associated crime and anti social behaviour. This generally consists of people letting off fireworks and throwing eggs and flour.

“All Safer Neighbourhood Teams were tasked to deal with anti social behaviour and, for the first time, we had Fireworks Patrol Units - mobile teams of officers who provided additional support. We also worked with Islington Council by giving them intelligence about shops illegally selling fireworks to children enabling the council to prosecute any offenders.

“Islington saw a 14 percent reduction in associated crime. Firework nuisance and anti-social behaviour calls went down by a third! We also made some significant drugs arrests including one male who was arrested for possession with intent to supply cannabis and another who intended to supply crack cocaine.”

Inspector Steve Riley, Safer Neighbourhoods.



Inspector Steve Riley co-ordinated the response

Caledonian Team Go Extra Mile

In support of the Islington wide response, Caledonian Team changed their shifts and cancelled rest days to cover the Halloween and Bonfire period. This resulted in a big reduction in calls about firework related incidents on Caledonian ward. We received less calls from concerned residents and there were no serious incidents.

We conducted extra patrols using our powers to stop and speak to children who were under age and suspected of possessing fireworks. Many were searched by the police officers on the team. Prior to this period, Caledonian PCSO's distributed leaflets about fireworks to key sites on the Ward thus informing members of the public on the safety aspects of fireworks and the age limit to buy fireworks. Overall the period was a big success with members of the public contacting us in support of the effective work we carried out at this time. The Caledonian Team greatly appreciated this.



Extra patrols to stop and search children who are carrying fireworks.

Tackling Drugs on Caledonian Ward

As part of the fight against drugs on the ward, we are currently gathering intelligence about those people involved in the sale, use and production of drugs. We have also conducted intelligence led operations relating to people and addresses.

A drugs warrant was obtained for an address on the Bemerton Estate, N1. Our Team along with officers from the Borough Support Unit and Pro-active Crime Squad raided the address and a number of people were detained inside. Officers searching the address found evidence of drugs and a female was arrested. This arrest and seizure has led to a disruption in the sale of drugs in the area.

Police on the Caledonian Ward have recently obtained the use of thermal imaging camera technology, which was used during the night to detect cannabis factories. This has led to further intelligence being collated on suspected cannabis factories.

Let's work together to make Caledonian Ward a safer place to live.

Please cut out carefully and keep safe

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