

## Palmers Green Safer Neighbourhood Team News

The number of burglaries in April were higher than last year but then we were in our first lockdown last year. This month's burglaries appear to have mostly been opportunities when houses were empty. So if your property is going to be empty for a period please think about setting up some lighting to come on for the evenings and setting your alarm if you have one fitted.

Power tools always appear to be a popular choice for thieves to steal whether from sheds, houses or cars. Please think about taking some time to register your tools and their serial numbers on [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) to make them traceable back to you if they are stolen. You can also add anything else you own that has a serial number from mobile phones to bicycles to musical instruments.



There were a few opportunities to have catalytic converters marked with Smartwater

in April and a number of residents made it along to have theirs done. We're hoping some more dates will be arranged soon and we'll be able to give notice for you to attend if you own one of the vulnerable makes.



Operation Sceptre returned last week in a week of intensifying action across London to tackle knife crime and wider violence. Londoners are being encouraged to hand in any knives to one of 12 nominated police stations. There are also Words for Weapons knife bins across the city where knives can be handed in.

<https://www.word4weapons.co.uk/knife-bin-locations/>

Palmers Green officers along with Southgate Green and Winchmore Hill officers completed weapons sweeps of Broomfield Park, Grovelands Park, Tatem Park, Millenium Green and Arnos Park. No weapons were found.



Welcome to the latest Palmers Green Ward Safer Neighbourhoods Newsletter. This edition covers the crime figures on Palmers Green Ward for April 2021.

## Crimes Recorded this month

There were 135 allegations of crime on the Ward during this period.

### Burglary

There was 1 attempted burglary, 1 aggravated burglary and 4 burglaries during April.

**NEW RIVER CRESCENT**, between 6.30pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> April and 7.45am, 6<sup>th</sup> April. Entry was made to the rear garden over the fence and then into the house via scaffolding and a window with no glass in it on the first floor. Builder's tools have been taken and the suspects have forced their way out through the rear patio doors in the kitchen by smashing the glass after causing damage to the frame. They have then forced open the side gate which had been screwed shut.

**BARROWELL GREEN**, 4.34pm on 16<sup>th</sup> April. Plastic panel has been pushed in on rear door after entry to the rear garden was made by lifting a fence panel. On entering the house the alarm went off alerting the owner. Untidy search of bedrooms.

**HEDGE LANE**, between 12.01am, 19<sup>th</sup> April and 1.39am, 19<sup>th</sup> April. Rear window was forced open with a spade from the shed breaking the handle off. Kitchen door into the rest of the house was also forced open as had been left locked. Untidy search of house.

**LIGHTCLIFFE ROAD**, between 11am, 26<sup>th</sup> March and 11.15am, 24<sup>th</sup> March. Small window smashed near the door handle of a rear door using a stone. Door still secure. No entry made.

**NEW RIVER CRESCENT**, between 11.15am and 11.30am on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. A male knocked on the door saying he was from the council. The victim shut the door saying she didn't speak English and then left the house to go to the rear garden without double locking the door. The male and two others entered the property after popping the lock and searched the bedroom taking jewellery. The victim returned while they were inside and met them on the stairs and they took the jewellery she was wearing as well.

**NEW RIVER CRESCENT**, between 11.30am, 18<sup>th</sup> April and 6.50pm, 23<sup>rd</sup> April. An attempt was made to force open the rear UPVC door to the utility room. Then the sash window was forced open to the kitchen. Jewellery and a musical instrument were taken.

**Please remember to double lock your front doors whether you have a UPVC door or have a Yale and mortice. If you also have a UPVC porch door then double lock that too. If you have the security installed, then please use it.**

**Please also consider the use of timer switches to light your houses up after dark if you are not yet home.**



**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOUBLE LOCKING A UPVC (THREE OR FIVE POINT LOCKING SYSTEM) DOOR.**

**If a UPVC door is not locked with a key the door handle goes down when tried and is left very weakly secure with a very small piece of triangular metal going into the frame. This point on the doorframe near the lock is where the suspects target with their screwdrivers or crowbars and can pop your door open sometimes with very little effort.**

## Motor Vehicle Crime

There were 17 thefts from motor vehicles and 4 thefts of motor vehicles reported in April.

**BROOMFIELD AVENUE**, between 10pm, 31<sup>st</sup> March and 6.44am, 1<sup>st</sup> April. A Mercedes was taken from the location.

**KENMARE GARDENS**, between 6pm, 31<sup>st</sup> March and 8am, 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Tools were taken from the back of the victim's van.

**ALDERMANS HILL**, between 1.40pm and 2pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Front number plate was taken from a vehicle.

**DOVERIDGE GARDENS**, between 2.10am and 2.35am, 5<sup>th</sup> April. Two males were seen to get in a car in a possible attempt to steal it. They took sunglasses and loose change and not the car.

**PARK AVENUE**, between 4pm and 5pm, 5<sup>th</sup> April. Driver's door window was smashed on a car and a blue badge taken.

**PILGRIMS CLOSE**, between 4pm and 6.40pm, 7<sup>th</sup> April. Front and rear number plates were taken from a car.

**MUNSTER GARDENS**, between 9am and 9.20am, 8<sup>th</sup> April. Damaged caused to side and rear doors whilst thieves prised them open. Tools were taken from the back.

**KINGSLEY ROAD**, between 8pm, 5<sup>th</sup> April and 9am, 7<sup>th</sup> April. Car was entered and sunglasses and loose change were taken.

**NEW RIVER CRESCENT**, between 6.05pm, 4<sup>th</sup> April and 1.35pm, 7<sup>th</sup> April. Car was entered and glove compartment emptied. Sunglasses and driving glasses were taken also some loose change.

**CHIMES AVENUE**, between 11.15pm and 11.20pm, 10<sup>th</sup> April. Catalytic converter taken from a Mercedes.

**ECCLESBOURNE GARDENS**, between 12.01am, 9<sup>th</sup> April and 11am, 13<sup>th</sup> April. Number plate was taken from a moped.

**GREEN LANES**, between 12.50pm and 1pm, 13<sup>th</sup> April. Phone taken from car which was left unlocked while the owner went to pay for parking.

**WALDEN AVENUE**, between 5am, 8<sup>th</sup> April and 8am, 15<sup>th</sup> April. A Ford Fiesta was taken from the location.

**GREEN LANES**, between 9.30pm, 16<sup>th</sup> April and 2pm, 17<sup>th</sup> April. VW Golf was taken from the location.

**HAMILTON CRESCENT**, between 5.50pm, 18<sup>th</sup> April and 12.15pm, 19<sup>th</sup> April. Car was entered and contents emptied from the glove compartment. Blue badge was taken.

**GREEN LANES**, between 6pm, 20<sup>th</sup> April and 7.30am, 21<sup>st</sup> April. Car was entered and searched through. In car portable DVD players were taken.

**THE GROVE**, between 10pm, 21<sup>st</sup> April and 4.20am, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Range Rover was taken from the location.

**THE GROVE**, between 5pm, 21<sup>st</sup> April and 7am, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Steering wheel was taken from a car.

**GREEN LANES**, between 8pm and 11.30pm, 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Car was entered and belongings emptied on to the pavement. A blue badge was taken.

**CRAWFORD GARDENS**, 12.41pm on 27<sup>th</sup> April. The victim was doing some work in a front garden and he placed his wallet, cigarettes and van keys on the wall while tidying up to leave when a young boy came out of a van and grabbed the keys off the wall got into his van and drove it off towards the A10. Van was recovered damaged and cash was taken which had been left in the glove box.

**OAKTHORPE ROAD**, between 12.01am and 6.20am, 30<sup>th</sup> April. Front and rear number plates were taken from vehicle.

## Robbery

There was 1 attempted robbery and 5 robberies reported this past month.

**THE LARCHES**, 4pm on 17<sup>th</sup> April. A cab driver arrived at the location to three males outside an address. After they got in they took the driver's mobile phone and mobile CCTV camera, threatened the driver with a knife and pulled him out of the car before driving it off. Recovered the other side of Enfield after a call to the cab company from a resident.

**ALDERMANS HILL**, 3.45pm on 19<sup>th</sup> April. Two boys were stopped by a male who asked what air pods one had and was told to hand them over after threats of violence. He then asked both boys what phones they had and didn't want them when told and walked off.

**GREEN LANES**, 3.20pm on 20<sup>th</sup> April. Victim was bumped into while in a shop and her handbag felt lighter afterwards. She checked her bag and found her purse was gone.

**NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD**, 3.35pm on 26<sup>th</sup> April. A schoolboy was asked by two other boys what phone he had and how it worked before boarding a bus to Palmers Green. The boy and his friend were followed off the bus by the two boys and held while the phone was taken.

**HAZELWOOD REC**, 6.46pm on 26<sup>th</sup> April. Two boys were approached by two suspects who asked where they lived and where they were from. The boys have not given any details and the suspects have told them to hand over their phones. The victims have refused and the suspects have pulled out a knife. The victims have then run out the entrance with the suspects chasing them. The victims have got away and called police.

**GREEN LANES**, between 4.24pm and 4.30pm, 26<sup>th</sup> April. The victim was walking towards The North Circular Road when two males approached, one riding a Santander bike taken from another male who was chasing them. They told the victim to hand over his bike as they had a knife which the victim did not see and thinking he would be hurt handed over his bicycle and the two males rode off.



An advertisement for CrimeStoppers. The background is a close-up of a hand holding a knife, with the blade partially visible. The hand is wearing a dark green jacket. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a street scene at night. In the top left corner, there is a logo for 'CS'. The text 'Save Lives' is written in large, bold, orange letters. Below it, the text 'Help take knives off our streets tell us about those who carry knives. Speak up. Keep your family safe.' is written in white. At the bottom left, the text '100% anonymous. Always' is written in large, bold, orange letters. At the bottom right, the text 'CrimeStoppers.' is written in large, bold, white letters, followed by '0800 555 111' and '100% anonymous. Always.' in smaller white text.



# “Cuppa with a Copper.....”

**Come and say Hello, for help and advice on local issues**



## Up coming events

Our next contact point will be on:

**OUR CURRENT CONTACT POINTS AND MEETINGS ARE CANCELLED DUE TO COVID 19. AS SOON AS RESTRICTIONS ARE LIFTED WE WILL SEND OUT A NEW LIST OF DATES.**

**WE CAN STILL BE CONTACTED VIA THE CONTACT DETAILS ON THIS NEWSLETTER IF YOU NEED TO TELL US SOMETHING OR DISCUSS A PROBLEM.**

## Team Members

Based at Southgate Police Station your Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on Palmers Green ward are:

PS Matt Bloomfield

PC Jon Howarth

PC Shannon Shears

PCSO Jennifer Arkwright

We can be contacted via the telephone on:

**0208 721 2835** (please leave a message if no answer – name, number, address and short message.)

Or via email:

[Palmersgreen.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:Palmersgreen.snt@met.police.uk)

## Useful Contacts

### 24/7 Police Station

- Edmonton Police station  
462 Fore Street, Edmonton N9 0PW

**999** – URGENT attendance required – Response time of under 15mins.

**101** - Police required but not as an emergency Response and also to report crime

**0208 721 2835** – Palmers Green Ward - residents, wishing to contact their Local Policing Team for advice/arrange a visit/on going neighbourhood problems, etc. Slow time or appointment driven police attendance or communication required. Please do not use this number to report crime as this phone is not answered 24/7

You can now report crime online at [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk) by clicking the Report button.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter for crime prevention advice, local events and meetings.

**@MPSEnfield and Palmers Green Twitter @MPSPalmersGreen**

**Do not report crime on Enfield Twitter accounts. Please Report via @MettCC**

**In emergencies always call 999.**

**Twitter is not staffed 24/7**

**We are also on [www.nextdoor.co.uk](http://www.nextdoor.co.uk) under Enfield Police**



Get alerts from your local policing team and Neighbourhood watch. If you've not already sign up today at <https://www.owl.co.uk/met/>

If anyone would like a crime prevention survey please contact us via 0208 721 2835 or if you have access to a computer email us at [palmersgreen.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:palmersgreen.snt@met.police.uk)

Palmers Green web page can be found on the Metropolitan Police website by visiting [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk) scrolling down the page and typing Palmers Green in the find your area box.



Many people we visit are asking for ID when we visit them. However, would you know what a real Met Police warrant card looks like?

The one BELOW is the real one. Check for the hologram on the warrant card, and the signature of the Commissioner NOT the holder.

