

## Palmers Green Safer Neighbourhood Team News

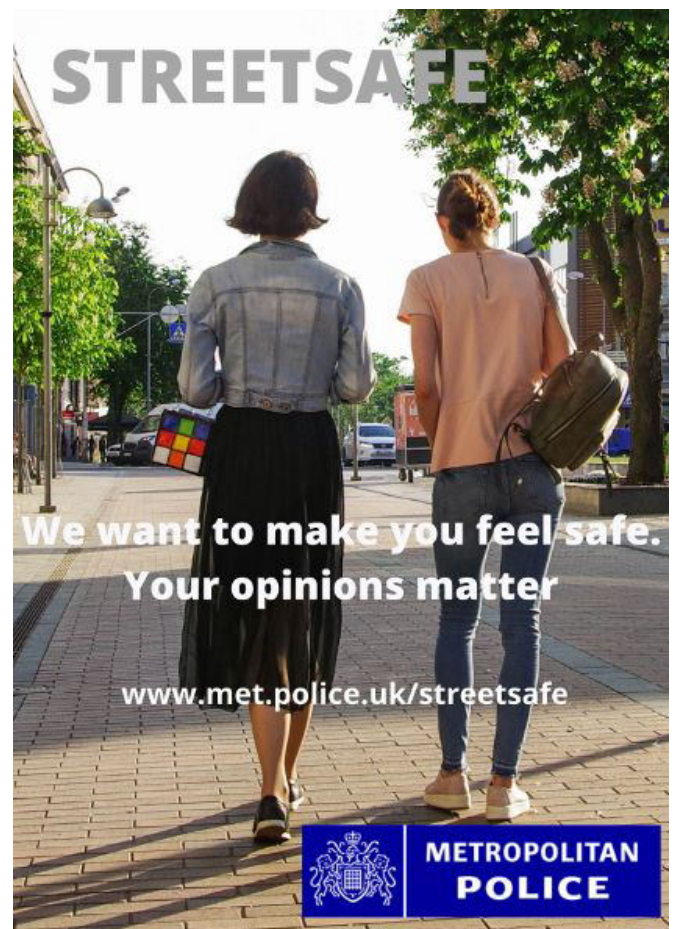
StreetSafe is a service for anyone to anonymously tell us about public places where you have felt or feel unsafe, because of environmental issues, e.g. street lighting, abandoned buildings or vandalism and/or because of some behaviours, e.g. being followed or verbally abused. StreetSafe is an online tool available to the public to help identify areas where people feel unsafe.

The anonymous info is used by our local police teams to improve safety.

Please note: 'StreetSafe' is not for reporting crime or incidents.

<https://www.met.police.uk/notices/street-safe/street-safe/>

If something has happened to you or someone you know (including in public spaces online) you can call us on 101 or report online





Welcome to the latest Palmers Green Ward Safer Neighbourhoods Newsletter. This edition covers the crime figures on Palmers Green Ward for February 2023.

## Crimes Recorded this month

There were 128 reported allegations of crime on Palmers Green Ward during this period.

### Burglary

There were 0 residential burglaries during February.

There were 4 shop burglaries where the shop windows or doors were smashed to gain entry and take petty cash if left in the shop overnight.

### Motor Vehicle Crime

There were 7 thefts from motor vehicles and 1 theft of motor vehicles reported in February.

**THE RISE**, between 1.30pm, 31<sup>st</sup> January and 2.24am, 1<sup>st</sup> February. A 2015 Jaguar F-type was taken without keys.

**BROOMFIELD AVENUE**, between 6.15pm and 6.30pm, 9<sup>th</sup> February. Front and rear number plates were taken from a car.

**PALMERSTON CRESCENT**, between 11.30pm, 14<sup>th</sup> February and 11.45am, 15<sup>th</sup> February. A car was entered and clothing, shoes and toiletries were taken. The glove box was also searched through.

**BRIDGE DRIVE**, between 2pm, 16<sup>th</sup> February and 9.15am, 17<sup>th</sup> February. Tools were taken from the rear of a car.

**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**

**ECCLESBOURNE GARDENS**, between 6.08pm and 9.58pm, 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Front and rear number plates were taken from a car.

**HAZELWOOD LANE**, between 3.30pm and 3.45pm, 24<sup>th</sup> February. A Blue badge was taken from the dashboard of a car while the car was left unattended and possibly unlocked.

**FOX LANE**, between 11pm, 26<sup>th</sup> February and 7.10am, 27<sup>th</sup> February. The driver's window was smashed to gain entry and the glove box was searched through. A fob for a car park gate was taken.

**FOX LANE**, between 12pm, 20<sup>th</sup> February and 8.10am, 27<sup>th</sup> February. The driver's window was smashed and the car searched through.

## Robbery and personal theft

There was 0 robberies and 3 personal thefts reported during the past month.

**WESTLAKE CLOSE**, 4pm, 8<sup>th</sup> February. A male and female distracted the victim asking him for directions and while distracting him took bank cards from his pocket by cutting it open. Bank cards were cancelled before they could be used.

**HAZELWOOD LANE**, 2.25-6.05pm, 15<sup>th</sup> February. The victim withdrew £1500 from the bank and placed the envelope of cash in their backpack and on the way home an unknown person has unzipped the bag and taken the envelope and cash.

**DEVONSHIRE ROAD**, 9.30-10am, 15<sup>th</sup> February. An unknown person has taken the victim's oyster card from their pocket.

**ALDERMANS HILL**, 11-11.45am, 27<sup>th</sup> February. The victim took out £1000 from the bank, put in a white envelope which was put in their bag. When they got to the checkout in Morrisons the envelope was gone with the cash inside



Thieves will use a number of ways, sometimes more elaborate, to steal your possessions, especially easy items such as phones and bags.

Don't stereotype what a thief looks like! Often they will dress smartly to avoid being detected.

### STAY ALERT IN CROWDED PLACES

Pickpockets operate in crowded places often using something such as a newspaper, coat or bag to conceal their actions.



The concealed hand

- Look out for people who get too close to you in a crowded area.
- Never keep your phone, wallet or purse in an open pocket.
- Never leave your bag or rucksack unzipped and carry your bag in front, preferably diagonally across your body.

### DON'T BE DISTRACTED

Thieves will often target those who seem more vulnerable and sometimes work in teams to try and distract and steal. Table surfing is where a thief will use a newspaper or map to approach a customer at a café or restaurant and use the paper or map as a distraction to cover a phone, purse or wallet on a table and steal it.

- Be wary of strangers that approach you and always keep your phone or valuables out of reach.



Table surfing

Thieves will look to target people using ATMs and may distract you whilst using the machine. They may also watch from afar and then look for an opportunity to steal from you afterwards.

- Stay aware of your surroundings and don't become distracted when using an ATM. Ensure that any money you withdraw is safely secured.



The bank follow off

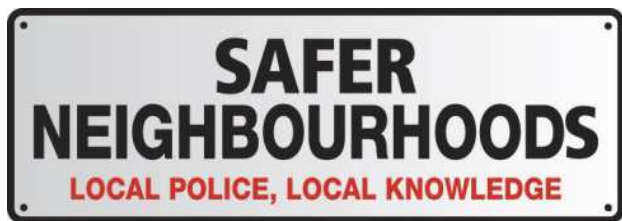
Watch out for strangers being overly friendly in bars, clubs and large gatherings – often referred to as hugger muggers.

- Stay alert if watching street performers and street gamblers. If you are jostled, bumped, hugged or crowded by anyone, consider that a pickpocket may be in action.



The hugger mugger





## ***“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:

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, Costa Coffee, 349 Green Lanes N13 4JG, 5-5.30pm.

### **Team Members**

Based at Edmonton Police Station your Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on

Palmers Green ward are:

PS Lamar Downer

PC Daniel Modeste

PC Jay Penders

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**

**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)**



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/>

**REPORT IT YOUR WAY**

The quick and easy way to report crime online

**met.police.uk**

In an emergency always dial 999

**METROPOLITAN POLICE**

How to tell us something you've seen or heard. You can call 101.

You can tweet @MetCC

You can visit [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk) click the relevant box and fill in the form.

You can report anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

## Metropolitan Police warrant cards and passes are changing

If you have any contact with police officers or staff from the Metropolitan Police Service their identity document will look different. There is nothing you need to do, other than familiarise yourself with the new document.

### EXPIRY DATE

A coloured bar with the expiry date of the pass clearly shown

EXPIRY 31

### NAME, RANK AND WARRANT NUMBER

Every warrant number is unique to the officer

Sally Smith  
Sergeant

Warrant No  
123456



### PHOTO

A larger photo on the front for identification

### HOLOGRAM

Displayed on the front

**REMEMBER** in an emergency or if you suspect that someone is not a genuine police officer then please call 999.

