

Safer Neighbourhood Newsletter.

Welcome to the August newsletter.

The summer months are a great opportunity to enjoy longer days, warmer weather and spend more time outdoors. Whether you're meeting friends, attending festivals, walking in the countryside or enjoying a night out, it's important to keep personal safety in mind so you can make the most of the season.

Plan Ahead

Before heading out, let someone you trust know where you're going and when you expect to be home, particularly if you're travelling alone. Make sure your mobile phone is fully charged and consider carrying a portable power bank if you'll be out for several hours.

Stay Aware of Your Surroundings

Avoid becoming distracted by constantly looking at your phone or wearing headphones at a high volume. Being aware of what's happening around you can help you identify potential risks and react quickly if something doesn't feel right. If you feel uncomfortable or think someone may be following you, trust your instincts. Head towards a busy, well-lit area or into a shop, café or other public place and ask for assistance if needed.

Keep Valuables Secure

Unfortunately, opportunistic thieves often target busy areas during the summer.

- Keep bags zipped up and worn across your body where possible.
- Avoid leaving phones, wallets or handbags unattended.
- Don't keep all your valuables in one place.
- Be discreet when using expensive phones or jewellery in crowded locations.

Walking Home Safely

If you're walking home after an evening out:

- Stick to well-lit, populated routes.
- Avoid shortcuts through parks, alleyways or isolated areas.
- If possible, walk with friends rather than alone.
- If using headphones, keep the volume low enough to hear what's happening around you.

Using Public Transport and Taxis

Plan your journey before you leave. If using a taxi, book through a licensed operator where possible rather than accepting unsolicited offers. Before getting in, check that the vehicle matches your booking details and, if you're travelling alone, consider sharing your live location or journey details with a trusted friend or family member.



Trust Your Instincts

Your instincts are often your best defence. If a situation doesn't feel right, remove yourself from it. Don't worry about appearing rude—your personal safety is far more important.

Enjoy Alcohol Responsibly

If you're drinking alcohol:

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- Know your limits and plan how you'll get home before the evening begins.

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In an Emergency

If you or someone else is in immediate danger, always call [999](#). If it is not an emergency but you need to report suspicious activity or a crime, you can contact your local police force via **101** or report information online through our local police website

There were **1 residential burglary**, **0 attempted residential burglary**, **0 non – residential burglaries**, and **0 artifice burglaries** reported in **July**.

Henley Court, N14- 5th July 2026

Victim woke up by 3 males and 1 female pointing a knife, demanding gold and money

Motor Vehicle crime

There was **1 Theft from Motor Vehicle** and **5 Theft of Motor Vehicles** reported in **July**.

Highfield Court, N14-6th July

White Ford Transit van stolen outside the victims property

St Georges Road, N13- 6th July

Suspect has got into the vehicle, stealing sunglasses worth £200

Chelmsford Road, N14- 13th July 2026

Land rover stolen off driveway and got RECOVERED due to it having a tracker

Mc Donalds, Chase Side, N14-14th July

Deliveroo driver parked his moped outside mc donalds and somebody drove it off

Everesely Park Road, N21- 14th July 2026

BMW stolen on the road after being parked there for 2 days

Oakwood Avenue, N14- 14th July 2026

Masserratti stolen without the keys between the hours of 2200 and 1200

Robbery / Theft from person

There was **1** *Theft from person* and **1** *Robbery* reported in **July**.

Other Crimes in July

0 x criminal damage
2 x ABH
0 x GBH



Team Members

Based at Enfield Patrol Base, Great Cambridge Road
Industrial Estate, Lincoln Road EN1

Your Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on Oakwood Ward
are: Supervisor **PS Ken Carroll**

Dedicated Ward Officers:

PC Leanne Ingram

PC Klaudia Urinyuk

PCSO Hannah Bolton

Email: snty-southgate@met.police.uk

We encourage residents to reach out to police via
telephoning **999** if something is actively occurring at the
time or **101** if you observe something out of place.

Remember: To report a crime:

- **Non-emergency crime:** dial 101 or [report online](#)
- **Report anonymously via** [crimestoppers-uk.org](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org) or
by calling [0800 555 1111](tel:08005551111)

Nearest police station

Edmonton Police station

462 Fore Street, Edmonton N9 0PW

Opening hours –

Weekday 10am – 10pm

Weekend 9am – 7pm



Protect yourself from ATM theft

It's a good idea to scan the area around ATMs before
you use them. Be aware of anyone standing close by
and always check the machine to see if it's been
tampered with before you use it.

• **Tell-tale signs of ATM fraud**

Things to look out for are devices attached to the
machine – some are more obvious than others. If you
do see something suspicious contact the police and
the bank.

Remember, if it doesn't look or feel right then steer
clear and, if possible, go inside the bank where it will
be safer. And always keep a regular check on your
transactions.

• **Be alert**

We know it's not always easy but try to be aware of anyone near you when you're at an ATM. Being aware of your surroundings and not being distracted makes it harder for people to take advantage and less likely that they'll try to.

Thieves will watch as you key in your PIN or distract you while you're withdrawing cash. Be vigilant. Cover your PIN and always keep an eye on your card.

If someone taps you on the shoulder or tries to speak to you, just ignore them.

When you've left the ATM, put your card away immediately.

You should also be careful with contactless cards. You can get a card holder to prevent your card details being inadvertently read.



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Met Engage is a free messaging service that keeps you connected to what's happening in your area. Whether its crime updates, safety advice, or news from your local policing team, you'll get the information that matters to you — when it matters most.

Community crime-fighting

Why sign up?

When you join Met Engage, you'll receive:

- alerts about local crime, incidents and appeals
- advice to help keep you, your family and your community safe
- news from your local police officers
- warnings about scams and frauds
- invitations to community meetings and events
- chances to share your concerns and help shape local policing

How to sign up

Signing up takes just a few minutes and you can update your preferences at any time. Your information is secure, and we'll only use it to send you relevant updates.

By signing up at the link below, you'll join thousands of others who are already receiving trusted updates from their local police.

<https://www.metengage.co.uk/>



The poster features a blue background with a photograph of two Metropolitan Police officers in uniform talking to a woman. At the top left is the Metropolitan Police crest and logo. To the right are the words 'MORE TRUST', 'LESS CRIME', and 'HIGH STANDARDS'. The main title 'MET ENGAGE' is in large, bold letters, with 'MET' in white and 'ENGAGE' in yellow. Below it is the subtitle 'Community crime-fighting'. A call to action says 'SIGN UP NOW to tell us what matters most to YOU'. At the bottom is a yellow button with the text 'metengage.co.uk'.

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