



**Minutes of the Ickenham Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators' Meeting
Ickenham United Reformed Church on Thursday 29th January 2026**

Present: Dave Ludlow (DL), Borough Chair of Hillingdon NHWatch
Kevin Mepham (KM), Dep.Ch. of Hillingdon NHWatch
Simon Clarke (SC), Chair Ickenham Neighbourhood Watch ward panel
Chris Tarr (CT), Hillingdon Safer Neighbourhood Board

Coordinators: Jackie Cadwell, Maggie Farrow-Smith, Ian Parfitt, Sunil Patel, Vandana Radia-Patel, Len Shilling, Joan Waters

Invited guests: Brian Walters, Ian Burnell, Diana May, Cllr. Eddie Lavery, Chris Tarr

Apologies: Liz Blaney

1. **Welcome** (SC) introduced the meeting and explained the inconsistencies in email notifications being experienced by some Coordinators with Neighbourhood Alert system. We will follow up with a few Coordinators who did not receive the meeting notification from KM to identify any set-up issues.
2. **Police update** Due to rota challenges the Police were unable to attend.
3. **Councillors update** Cllr. Lavery updated us on ongoing pothole repairs following extensive wet and cold weather, and reminded residents of the importance of reporting potholes via LBH website. There was a short discussion about fly-tipping – the large loads dumped on the A40 slip road are on TFL land, which slightly complicates the clean-up.
4. **Community Events** KM asked for volunteers to support Ickenham Neighbourhood Watch at community events (typically just 2 hours), including Ickenham Festival (Sat 13/6/26), Eastcote House Summer Fair (6/6/26), Cowley Picnic in the Park (tbc) and Ickenham Festival Christmas evening (4/12/26).
5. **Ickenham Crime update.** BW provided an update on recent crime – all Boroughs are being extensively targeted by organised gangs stealing cars. Significant successful collaboration with the Police is resulting in numerous arrests for car theft and burglary.
6. **Hillingdon NHW update** DL provided an update on signups to Neighbourhood Alert (OWL replacement). Ickenham & South Harefield is performing well and is in top position, but may be overtaken by Ruislip, so we need to continue the drive to recruit new members to keep the lead.
7. **Hillingdon Ward Panel** CT provided a brief update and commended our efforts that secure arrests for burglary and car crime.

- 8. **Coordinators update** KM will send a request to all existing Coordinators listing the roads not represented, where they may know a resident who might be prepared to volunteer. It was suggested a request could be made via Ickenham Residents Association Newsletter and Ickenham Church News.
- 9. **Speedwatch** DL provided an update on the enforcement measures. Police speed traps had also been noted in Brakespear Road South and Harvil Road recently.
- 10. **Draft Constitution** This will be circulated before the next meeting for discussion.
- 11. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 16th October were issued by KM via the Neighbourhood Alert system.
- 12. **A.O.B.**
 Ian Burnell mentioned innovations re Hillingdon Hospital services in advance of the hospital reconstruction.
 There being no other business, the meeting finished at 20.50

Next Meeting: Thursday April 23rd 2026

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