



## Cannon Hill Safer Neighbourhood Team

# NEWSLETTER

Edition: January 2026

Wishing all residents a happy and prosperous New Year

## A message from the Team...

The team would like to thank everyone on the ward for all there continued help and support over this past year, during the festive period please drink responsibly, be mindful of your fellow residents and if going away secure your home and vehicles, Please support us by checking in on elderly or more vulnerable neighbours and report anything suspicious.

On behalf of the entire team, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## Speed Enforcement

In line with the wards new priority of Road Safety, the team have acquired resources from the Traffic division to tackle speeding on the Cannon Hill.

They have so far issued over 600 tickets to motorist driving in excess of the 20mph designated speed limit.

This will continue on the ward in different locations and at various times, Merton council have been informed to review the locations in regards to road layout and possible speed calming measures.



We will continue to roll out our new communication platform: Met Engage, we will be going door to door across Cannon Hill over the course of the year. If you or someone you know would like to sign up please email the ward:

CannonHill@met.police.uk

Shelter



If you find a Rough Sleeper in Merton, the following are the places/actions we would suggest you take to see if you can help them:  
i. Report them to Street Link by filling in a referral form online, [www.streetlink.org.uk](http://www.streetlink.org.uk), or by calling 0300 500 0914. ii. Make sure they know about the Faith in Action Homeless Drop-in Centre. [mertonfaithinaction.org](http://mertonfaithinaction.org). This runs every Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 3pm at the Salvation Army Hall, 109 Kingston Road, South Wimbledon, SW19 1LT.

### Cannon Hill Ward Councillors:

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# 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 keep an eye on your card at all times. 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.



## Cost of Living event

Visit Merton's free cost-of-living event to access the advice and support you need with your finances including bills, debt, and benefits, as well as energy saving, employment, wellbeing and more. It's Saturday 17 January, 10.30am–1.30pm at Merton Civic Centre, Morden.

Every household that attends will receive a £10 supermarket voucher.

Citizens Advice Merton and Lambeth, Wimbledon Guild, Jobcentre Plus, and Thinking Works are among the local partners who will be present.

## Love food, hate waste The Open Table Café @Martin Way Methodist Church

Buckleigh Avenue, Merton Park SW20 9JZ

### Every Wednesday

Tea, coffee and cake from 11.30am

Lunch served from 12pm (last order 1.30pm)

All dishes prepared from surplus food sourced locally

Pay as you feel

All welcome

New Ward Telephone Number:

**0207 715 9724**

Come meet the Safer Neighbourhood Team  
catch up on: 16 January 2026

Location: Morden Leisure Centre

Time: 12:00 — 13:00



## Cannon Hill Safer Neighbourhood Team

PCSO Nathan ELLIS

PC Richard STOBBS

PC Robin YOUNG

**Contact your local police:**

**0208 721 2455**

Cannonhill@met.police.uk

@MPSCannonhill

To report an incident or a crime,

visit [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk) or call

# QUIZ!

## 2025 END OF YEAR QUIZ

1. Which musical overtook *Mamma Mia!* to claim the title of the highest-grossing stage-to-screen adaptation worldwide?
2. The year 2026 in the Chinese zodiac corresponds to which animal?
3. Which football club celebrated its first-ever major trophy by winning the FA Cup Final?
4. Oasis kicked off their five-month reunion tour in which city of the UK?
5. Which famous actress starred in the 2025 Waitrose Christmas television advert alongside Joe Wilkinson?
6. Following a price rise in April this year, what's the cost of a first-class stamp?
7. Outcry followed the unauthorised felling of a tree that had stood for more than 100 years in a gap in Hadrian's Wall. What kind of tree was it?
8. Which royal couple celebrated 20 years of marriage this year?
9. Which country hosted the 2025 Eurovision Song Contest, won by 'JJ' from Austria?
10. Who became the youngest ever darts world champion in 2025?

1. Wicked 2. Horse 3. Crystal Palace 4. Cardiff 5. Kiara Knightly 6. £1.70 7. Sycamore Tree  
8. King Charles and Queen Camilla 9. Switzerland 10. Luke Littler.

## A New Met for London

### Phase 2 (2025-28)

Thank you to everyone who attended the New Met for London Event held at Richards Lodge on December 2nd 2025. It was great to see so many residents in attendance and we hope you found the event really beneficial and the answers provided by the senior leadership team helped to address your concerns and queries.

The New Met for London phase 2 plan Focuses on reducing crime and improving public trust. The second phase of the initiative emphasizes community crime fighting, culture change, and collaboration with local partners.

Key areas of focus include:

- Community Crime Fighting: Partnerships with local communities to tackle crime effectively.
- Culture Change: Reducing bureaucracy and distractions to improve productivity.
- Partnership Work: Collaborating with public, private, and charitable sectors to address local crime priorities.

The strategy aims to make the Met an outstanding local police service, delivering better outcomes and keeping the public safe.



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