



31st October 26

Report 1

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES – THREE (3)

Hotspot areas: Frognal

Time: day/evening. **Day:** 2 x Sunday, Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

1. Burglary in FROGNAL – Laptop Stolen

Suspects forced entry through the front door by damaging the latch and lock before entering the property and stealing a laptop. The victim had been away from the premises for approximately thirteen hours at the time of the offence. There was no residential CCTV, street CCTV, doorbell camera, or dash-cam footage available to assist with enquiries.

Crime Prevention Advice: Residents are encouraged to ensure all doors and windows are securely locked when leaving their property, even for short periods. Consider the installation of CCTV, a video doorbell, or other security measures to deter offenders and assist with identifying suspects should an offence occur.

2. Burglary in ELLERDALE ROAD - During Holiday Absence

A residential burglary occurred whilst the occupants were away on holiday. Suspects gained entry through rear windows and stole property from within the home. There was no CCTV or floodlight camera system installed at the address to assist the investigation.

Crime Prevention Advice: When travelling, residents should consider using timer switches on lights, asking trusted neighbours to monitor their property, and installing suitable security lighting or CCTV systems. Valuable items should be stored securely and, where possible, removed from view.

3. Residential Burglary in LINDFIELD ROAD

A residential burglary has been reported in which property was stolen from a dwelling. Enquiries are ongoing, and an ex-partner has been identified as a suspect in connection with the offence.

4. Residential Burglary – FINCHLEY ROAD

A suspect, posing as a delivery driver, gained access to the property and stole a parcel. Enquiries remain ongoing to identify the offender and establish the full circumstances of the incident.

5. Residential Burglary – HEATH DRIVE

A suspect forced entry through a pedestrian gate to gain access to the property and subsequently stole parcels from the premises. Enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible and progress the investigation.

Crime Prevention Advice: Residents should ensure that valuables, personal documents, and keys are stored securely within the home. Any suspicious behaviour, concerns regarding former partners, or information relating to criminal activity should be reported to police promptly via 101, or 999 in an emergency.

Crime Prevention Advice

Residents are encouraged to take practical steps to reduce the risk of burglary and enhance the security of their homes.

1. Protect your property from burglary

Ensure that all doors and windows are secured with suitable locks and consider additional security measures to help deter offenders and protect your home. Further advice is available from the Metropolitan Police Service: [Keep burglars out of your property | Metropolitan Police](#)

2. Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Handbook

Residents may find further guidance on home security and crime prevention in the Metropolitan Police Crime Prevention Handbook: [met-police-crime-prevention.pdf](https://www.met.police.uk/crime-prevention)

3. Remember the basics

Simple preventative measures can significantly reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim of burglary:

- Use timer switches to operate lights when the property is unoccupied.
- Leave a radio or television on for short periods to create the impression that someone is at home.
- Ensure all doors and windows are securely locked before leaving the property.
- Consider installing a video doorbell, CCTV system, or monitored intruder alarm.
- Keep valuable items out of sight and away from windows.
- Ask a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property when you are away for extended periods.

By taking these straightforward precautions, residents can help make their homes less attractive to offenders and contribute to a safer community. Any suspicious activity should be reported to police via **101**, or **999 in an emergency**

Report 2

THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE – ONE (1)

Hotspot areas: Frognal

Time: day/night **Day:** Sunday – Wednesday

1.Theft from Motor Vehicle, LINDFIELD GARDENS – Catalytic Converter Theft

Incident: A catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle that had been parked on the road between 11 October 2026 and 14 October 2026. The theft was discovered upon the owner's return to the vehicle. There was no residential CCTV, street CCTV, doorbell camera, or dash-cam footage available to assist with enquiries.

Crime Prevention Advice:

Vehicle owners are encouraged to park in well-lit, secure locations whenever possible and to make use of off-street parking or garages where available. Consider fitting an approved catalytic converter security device and marking the catalytic converter with a recognised forensic identification product to deter theft and assist in the identification and recovery of stolen property.

The installation of CCTV systems, motion-activated lighting, and other visible security measures can provide an effective deterrent and support police investigations by capturing evidential footage. Residents are also encouraged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity, particularly individuals seen loitering around parked vehicles, examining vehicles, or placing themselves underneath vehicles without an obvious legitimate purpose.

Anyone witnessing a crime in progress should contact police immediately via 999. Non-emergency incidents, suspicious activity, or intelligence relating to vehicle crime can be reported via 101 or through the Metropolitan Police online reporting services.

Report 3

• THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE– THREE (3) - Recovered ONE (1)

• **Time:** day/night **Day:** Wednesday, Thursday-Tuesday

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• 1. Theft of Motor Vehicle – Vehicle Recovered.

- A motor vehicle was stolen during the daytime from the ward. The vehicle keys remained in the possession of the owner, and there was no CCTV coverage available to assist with identifying the suspect(s). Fortunately, the vehicle was fitted with a tracking device, which enabled its location to be identified following the theft. The vehicle was subsequently recovered and taken to a vehicle pound in Coventry.
- **Crime Prevention Advice:** Vehicle owners are encouraged to consider the installation of tracking devices, immobilisers, steering wheel locks, and other approved security measures. These measures can significantly improve the chances of vehicle recovery and act as a deterrent to offenders.

- **2. Vehicle Repossessed by Finance Company, KIDDERPORE AVENUE**
- A report was received regarding a motor vehicle believed to have been stolen. Subsequent enquiries established that the vehicle had been lawfully repossessed by a finance company due to outstanding debt and arrears on the finance agreement.
- **Advice:** Residents experiencing financial difficulties are encouraged to maintain regular communication with finance providers and seek independent financial advice where appropriate to discuss available repayment options and avoid enforcement action.
- **3.Theft of Motor Vehicle – Hollycroft Avenue**
- A motor vehicle was reported stolen after being parked on **Hollycroft Avenue** between **1900 hours on 14 October 2026** and **1000 hours on 15 October 2026**. The vehicle was unlawfully removed by unknown suspect(s), using means that remain undetermined at this stage. Police enquiries are ongoing to establish the full circumstances of the offence, identify those responsible, and recover the stolen vehicle.
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- **Crime Prevention Advice:** Residents are advised to ensure that vehicles are securely locked, with all windows fully closed, whenever left unattended. Vehicle owners should consider the use of additional security measures, such as steering wheel locks, immobilisers, vehicle tracking systems, and CCTV coverage where available.

Where possible, vehicles should be parked in well-lit and overlooked locations, and any valuables should be removed from sight before leaving the vehicle. The use of enhanced security measures can act as a deterrent to offenders and may improve the prospects of vehicle recovery in the event of theft.

Residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to police at the earliest opportunity. Taking these preventative steps can help reduce the risk of vehicle crime within the community.

- <https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/vehicle-safe-and-sound/>

Remember: Advice to the Wise

The installation of a vehicle tracking device can significantly improve the likelihood of locating and recovering a stolen vehicle. Tracking systems enable the real-time monitoring of a vehicle's location and can provide valuable assistance to police during recovery efforts. Vehicle owners are encouraged to consider fitting an approved tracking device as part of a comprehensive vehicle security strategy, alongside other measures such as immobilisers, steering wheel locks, and secure parking arrangements

- **Report 4**
- **THEFT**
- **Time:** Day & Evening **Day:** Sunday
- **Hotspot areas:** Frogna

Theft of Bicycle: Frogna area: A black gentleman's road bike was stolen from the entrance stairway outside a block of flats. The bicycle had been secured with a lock prior to the theft. CCTV coverage is available at the location and shows the offence occurring between **2200 hours and 0000 hours**. Enquiries are ongoing to identify the suspect and recover the stolen property.

Crime Prevention Advice: Residents are advised to secure bicycles using high-quality, Sold Secure-rated locks and, where possible, to use two different types of locks to secure both the frame and wheels. Bicycles should be stored within a secure bike store or inside the property whenever possible. Owners are also encouraged to record and retain the bicycle's frame number, photograph the bicycle, and consider registering it on a recognised bicycle registration database to assist with identification and recovery if stolen. CCTV coverage, good lighting, and secure storage can further help reduce the risk of theft.

- [crime-prevention-handbook.pdf](#)

- **List of useful links**

- Please report any Noise complaints via <https://www.camden.gov.uk/noise> using the "happening now" option or by calling 020 7974 4444 To report any ASB issues, please ask Responsive Security Patrol to attend 020 7974 4444 from 4pm to 4am. District Housing Office on 020 7974 4444 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm (Camden Council tenants & leaseholders) *Call Met Police on 101 – to report a crime* [Report | Metropolitan Police](#)
- Please search via <https://www.camden.gov.uk/> or call 020 7974 4444 for all other services e.g. housing applications, pest control, Camden accounts, parking, keys, council tax & housing benefits advice etc
- Report an issue in Camden, fly tipping, street problem, dog fouling, [Report an issue - Camden Council](#)
- Refer homeless people to Camden to Roots of the Street, Camden. <https://camdenrts.co.uk/>
- click on this link to keep Camden Clean <https://www.camden.gov.uk/love-clean-streets>
- Blue Badge parking for disabled persons [Blue Badge parking for disabled people - Camden Council](#)
- Please use the e-form (report antisocial behaviour) found on the website <https://www.camden.gov.uk/community-safety1> or call the main contact centre on 0207 974 4444 (Please go through the options until it tells you to hold, it will then take you to a submenu and Community Safety will be option 6.)



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