

## Safer Neighbourhood News

The last two weeks have been one of our busiest times of the year. Autumn Nights encompasses Halloween and Bonfire Night where historically we see a rise in anti-social behaviour. The Neighbourhood team have been out on patrol in key areas to combat this. In the lead up to Christmas when Burglaries can increase it is worth reviewing your home security. Please contact the team if you require crime prevention advice. We are still experiencing motor vehicle crime so please be aware of leaving items on display in your vehicle and take extra steps to secure your vehicle. As winter sets in, please look out for your neighbours especially if they are elderly or vulnerable and if you notice anything suspicious, please do not hesitate to call us.

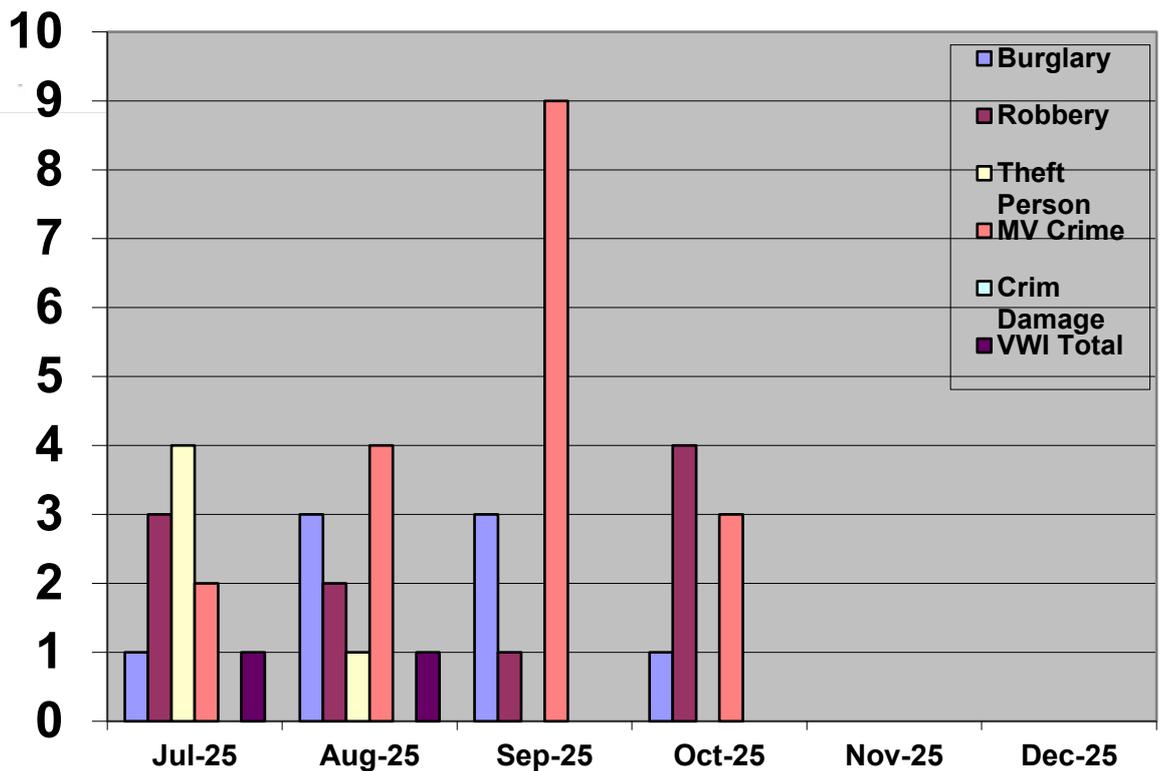
**3 STEP PROTECT**

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**A dusk to dawn light increases visibility and can deter burglars.**



 **BE SAFE**



## Crimes Recorded in October 2025

### Burglary

There were **1 residential burglary**, **0** attempted residential burglaries, **0** non – residential burglaries, **0** attempted non - residential burglaries, and **0** aggravated burglaries reported in **October 2025**.

**SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025 / 11am -10am**  
**SHERINGHAM AVENUE, N14**

Property was broken into through the rear door.

### Motor Vehicle Crime

There were **1 theft from motor vehicle** and **2 thefts of motor vehicles** reported in **October 2025**.

### Theft Of Motor Vehicle

**WEDNESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**MERIVALE, N14 between 8am – 1.45pm**

Ford Fiesta stolen from the location.

**THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**FOTHERGILL DRIVE, N21**

Victim had their Nissan car stolen from the driveway.

**Winter is the busiest time in the burglar's calendar**

**SAFER ENFIELD**

- › Lift-Lock-Remove - where door locks are operated by lifting the handle
- › Don't advertise your home / holiday on social media
- › Use automatic timer-switches to turn on/off lights
- › Keep sheds and garages locked
- › Install a visible intruder alarm system
- › Restrict and secure access to side and rear of the property

Don't make it easy for them

Go to [www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/](http://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/) to find out more about how to protect your property

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### **DID YOU KNOW...**

**MANY CARS GET STOLEN**

**DURING THE WINTER. IF YOU ARE WARMING UP YOUR CAR ALWAYS**

**HAVE A SECONDARY KEY TO LOCK THE DOORS OR STAY WITH YOUR VEHICLE.**



### Theft From Motor Vehicle

**SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2025**

**BAYLISS CLOSE, N21 between 7pm- 1pm**

Catalytic converter stolen from a Range Rover.

### Robbery

There were **2 personal robberies, 2 commercial robbery** and **0 theft from person** reported in **October 2025**.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

**LAKENHEATH, N14 at 11.43am**

#### Commercial robbery

Two male suspects have targeted a DPD van, pushing the driver back to steal a package from the rear of the vehicle. Suspects arrested.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

**Pennington Drive N21 at 10pm**

Altercation between driver and 3 suspects' where car and items within the vehicle were stolen. Vehicle later recovered in EN1.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

**Carlton Avenue N14 at 10am**

Two male suspects have targeted a DPD van to steal packages from within. Suspects arrested.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 4.45pm**

**Bramley Road N14**

Female had her hand slapped so her phone fell out of it onto the floor and suspect ran off with it. Phone later recovered.

### Other crimes for October 2025

0 x Criminal damage

0 x Criminal damage to motor vehicle

1 x GBH / ABH



### External lighting

Lighting is a good deterrent and is recommended at doors as it makes it safer for you when coming and going after dark.

A clear, low white light that activates at dusk to dawn is ideal for lighting a yard and garden and allowing any person to be clearly seen.

Check to make sure that trees and plants do not obscure your lighting. It's recommended that you regularly cut vegetation back.

Take care to position these lights so that light pollution doesn't annoy your neighbours.

### Internal lighting

Use an automatic plugin time switch to operate a lamp or light at pre-set times when you're away.

Energy saving LED bulbs are best as they do not use as much electricity, last longer than conventional bulbs and do not generate heat, reducing fire risk.

In blocks of flats, automatic low energy lights that detect movement are recommended for corridors, stairwells and communal areas such as car parks and cycle stores.



### CCTV

By using well-defined boundaries as a basis, CCTV can be a valuable tool. However, it doesn't prevent a crime from being committed and does have limitations.

CCTV linked to a smartphone will alert you to someone crossing your boundary.

Most importantly, CCTV is no substitute for good quality physical security such as secure doors and windows.

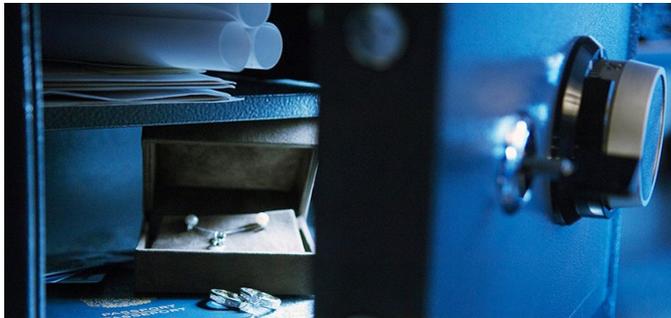
Some cameras work by day and by night, and record when they detect movement. Some can be remotely viewed from a smartphone.

Position cameras where they are best able to obtain good quality facial images. Could you recognise or identify someone from the footage?

There is legislation for home CCTV use, so always seek advice from an accredited installer first to ensure your system complies with the law.

Place signage up warning that CCTV is in use.

For advice and approved suppliers of CCTV visit the [National Security Inspectorate](#) and the [Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board](#).



### Installing a Safe in your home

Should you opt for a safe in your home, ensure it is fire rated. Home safes are also insurance rated according to the type and value of items designed to be placed inside, so check with your insurance company first to ensure you are adequately covered.

Position the safe carefully so it won't be easily discovered.

Don't place it in your bedroom as this is the first place a burglar will look. Be sure to effectively secure your safe by bolting it to a wall or floor. For more information on safes, see [Secured by Design](#).

If you have a large amount of family gold or jewellery, you may want to consider using a safety deposit vault. This has the advantage of removing the risk of storing valuables in your own home and can also make your home less of a target to burglars.

Contact your insurance company should you opt for this, as it may impact on your current policy and premium. [The National Pawnbrokers Association](#) can provide more information about safety deposit vaults in your area.



### BE SWITCHED ON – PHONE SECURITY

Extra phone security with a single swipe.

Phone thieves don't just want your phone; they want access to your bank accounts, documents and identity.

But by taking a few simple actions, you can slow down the thieves and add an extra level of security to your device, all in under 30 seconds.

Activate anti-theft protection

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Android users should enable Theft Detection Lock which uses sensors to detect motion patterns that suggest theft (like sudden snatching) and can lock your device immediately.



- > Settings
- > Face ID & Passcode
- > Stolen Device Protection



- > Settings
- > Security and Privacy
- > Lost Device Protection
- > Theft Protection
- > Theft Detection Lock

### How to contact police

- In an emergency - Telephone 999
- To report crime - Telephone 101
- Or online at [www.Met.police.uk](http://www.Met.police.uk)
- In person 7 days per week  
Edmonton Police Station  
462 Fore Street  
N9 0PW
- Crime stoppers -Telephone 0800 555 111  
or at online [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)



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### Your Safer Neighbourhood Team

Based at Lincoln Road patrol Base  
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#### **Team Members**

Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on Oakwood Ward are:

#### **Supervisor**

PS Ken Carroll

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