

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:

- Never leave your drink unattended.
- Don't accept drinks from people you don't know well.
- Keep an eye on your friends and make sure everyone gets home safely.
- Know your limits and plan how you'll get home before the evening begins.

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.

Burglary

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

FRDAY 3RD JULY 2026 at 1.32pm

BARNARD COURT, PENNINGTON DRIVE, N21

Access gained. Property CCTV captured suspect known to occupier. The Male suspect was arrested burglary.

MONDAY 20TH JULY 2026 at 8.30am

BELGRAVE GARDENS, N14

Outbuilding door locked drilled open. Several valuable items taken.

Motor Vehicle crime

There was **2 Theft from Motor Vehicle** and **6 Theft of Motor Vehicles** reported in **July**.

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY 2026 at 3.30pm

BRAMLEY ROAD, N14

registration plate from her Toyota Yaris.

TUESDAY 14TH JULY 2026

BRAMLEY ROAD, N14

Delivery motor bike

FRIDAY 17TH JULY 2026 at 3am

CARLTON AVENUE, N14

Toyota stolen from driveway.

TUESDAY 21ST JULY 2026

FOTHERGILL DRIVE, N21

Citroen White Van.

THURSDAY 23RD JULY 2026

PRINCE GEORGE AVENUE N14

Victims wheel hub caps stolen from a Mercedes.

FRIDAY 24TH JULY 2026

Between 7.20am – 9.10am

FOTHERGILL DRIVE, N21

White Mercedes been stolen from car park.

SUNDAY 26TH JULY 2026 at 11pm

BLACKWELL CLOSE, N21

RENAULT stolen

THURSDAY 29th - 30TH JULY 2026

Between 8am – 11am

PENNINGTON DRIVE, N21

TOYOTA YARIS stolen

Robbery / Theft from person

There was **1 Theft from person** and **3 Robbery** reported in **July**.

MONDAY 20TH JULY 2026

Between 11.30am – 1pm

OAKWOOD TUBE STATION

Freedom pass stolen, noticed missing whilst travelling on the tube.

TUESDAY 2ND JULY 2026 at 6pm

WORLDS END LANE Junction of LONSDALE DRIVE EN2

School boy robbed and threatened with a knife. They stole their iPhone 14 pro max stolen. Suspects were approximately 15 years old.

MONDAY 20TH JULY 2026 at 9.40pm

SAINSBURYS carpark, FLOREY SQAURE, N21

17-year-old victim was robbed by three black males, personal belongings stolen.

Other Crimes in July

3 x criminal damage

0 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 King Eze

PCSO Kauana Oliveria

PCSO Lisa Simpson

Email: Oakwood@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.



Stay informed with Met Engage

Get the latest updates from the Met straight to your inbox.

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 the Metropolitan Police crest and logo at the top left, with the tagline 'MORE TRUST | LESS CRIME | HIGH STANDARDS' to its right. The main title 'MET ENGAGE' is prominently displayed in large, bold letters, with 'MET' in white and 'ENGAGE' in yellow. Below this, the subtitle 'Community crime-fighting' is written in white. A call to action 'SIGN UP NOW to tell us what matters most to YOU' is followed by the website 'metengage.co.uk' in a yellow box. The bottom half of the poster shows two female police officers in uniform talking to a woman with long dark hair. The background is a bright blue sky with some greenery.