Charlton Village & Riverside Safer Neighbourhood Team

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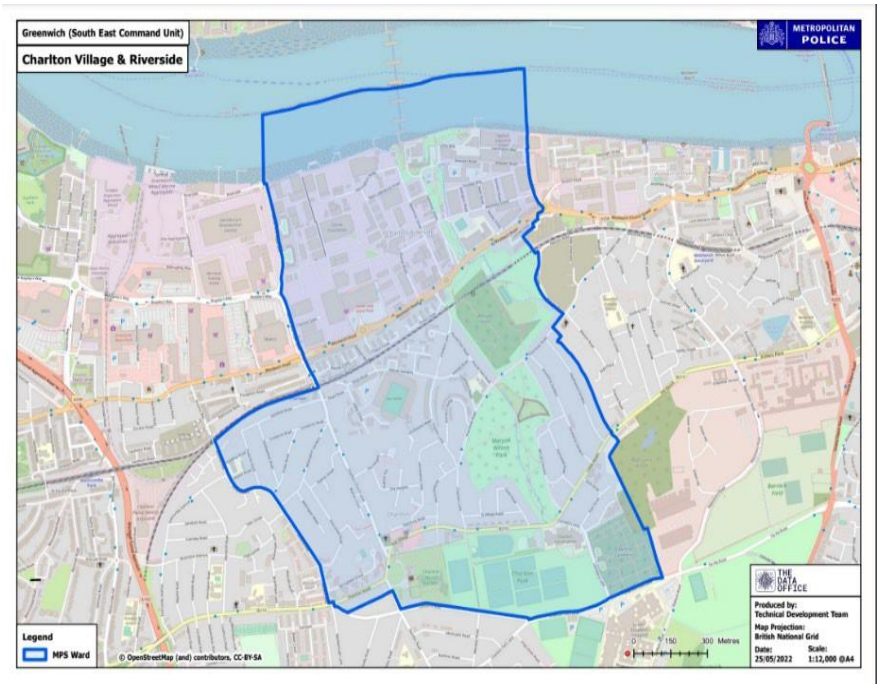
Charlton Village & Riverside – Community Safety Updates

Over the past month in response to reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) across the ward the Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) has continued targeted patrols in the specific areas, including:

- The Village
- The Heights
- The Thames Barrier
- Maryon Park and Maryon Wilson Park
- Charlton Station
- Charlton House
- Charlton Park
- Charlton Lane
- Charlton Church Lane
- Delafield Road
- Barney Close
- Wellington Gardens
- Pound Park Road
- The Valley
- Valley Groove
- Victoria Way
- Woodland Terrace.



We`ve been carrying out reassurance visits and increasing patrols in locations affected by crime including residential burglaries and general anti-social behaviour.
By taking small precautions and sharing the right information, we can help protect homes and vehicles. Regular contact with victims also improves intelligence gathering, giving us a clearer picture of the issues so we can plan effective responses.

Ward Priorities

The ward priorities for Charlton Village & Riverside Ward are:

- **Charlton Park and surrounding environs - Drug Dealing and ASB Hotspot through targeted patrols, stop and search and intelligence development. Areas of focus are Charlton Park incorporating Charlton House.**

  - Extra hi-visibility patrols
  - Reassurance visits to victims and local residents
  - Stop and search around these areas
  - Intelligence development

- **Reduction in Crime and anti-social behaviour within Charlton Village.**

- Increase in patrols within specified areas.
- Utilizing stop and search powers in specified areas.
- Engagement with businesses in area to build intelligence.
- Identify repeat offenders and bring to justice.

- **Charlton Church Lane - Targeting Anti Social behaviour, including drug use including surroundings such as Floyd Road (CAFC), Charlton Train Station and business premises.**

- Increase of patrols in area
- Combination of plain clothes and uniform patrols.

- Stop/searches fed back via Newsletter.

What your local SNT have been doing.

- Officers from Charlton Village and Riverside, Charlton Hornfair and Blackhealth and Westcombe continue to join forces to conduct Op Retail patrols designed to tackle shoplifting in all areas of the ward as shoplifting directly affects communities and public. There have been a few positive results including an arrest and a charge

- Officers continually subtracted for AID Taskings in central London, such as Notting Hill Carnival

- Robbery reassurance patrols were carried out by SNT due to recent reports of robberies around Charlton station and also Charlton Park.

- Continued reassurance patrols around Charlton Village and especially around ST Lukes Church after a female reported an assault from that location. Also high visibility patrols carried out at Charlton Park and Mayron Wilson Park. We also incorporate VAWG (Violence Against Women and Girls) patrols in the same area. A group of males were chased and caught by police on a few days. They have all been charged with possession of drugs.

- SNT have conducted foot, cycle and mobile,(both covert and overt) patrols around Charlton Village & Riverside hotspots. This resulted in multiple intelligence reports, community resolutions for drug possession.

- Continued high visibility patrols around the retail outlets of Charlton Ward including the Op Retail Patrols, due to high crime figures of shoplifting in the Charlton Village area. This was designed to provide reassurance to shopkeepers and the public alike, be a visible deterrent, gather intelligence and to prosecute those responsible for the offences, this tasking has been ongoing from last month and is likely to be in place for the foreseeable future.

- The Safer Neighbourhood Team continue to work closely with Charlton Athletic Football Club, supporting youth community recruitment events and operating as the VAWG unit on match days.

Due to the football season finishing in May, the VAWG events in the area have decreased, although the football season has started up again, so the VAWG events will continue. This engagement continues to receive very positive feedback from the community and contributed to improvements in Metropolitan Police data systems.

- Officers attended several Mental Health Assessments within the Charlton area, supporting individuals in accessing the medical assistance they required.

- Officers from Charlton Village and Riverside joined forces with Blackheath and Westcombe to organize and attend a bike marking event in order to deter theft of pedal cycles.

- There have been 13 stop and searches conducted by officers in Charlton Village and Riverside Ward for the month of August. These searches are for a wide range of issues including vehicle stops and misuse of drugs.

Arrest Enquiries

Our Safer Neighbourhoods team continue to be actively involved in a number of successful arrest enquiries across Charlton Village & Riverside Ward and surrounding areas. We work closely with neighbouring ward teams to ensure a coordinated approach to policing. By supporting each other across ward boundaries, we help maintain a consistent and visible presence in the community, even when local officers are off duty.

MET ENGAGE- Our engagement platform

The new MET ENGAGE platform allows residents to connect with local officers, shape policing priorities, and receive tailored safety advice. It`s a two-way tool – you can share your main concerns while staying updated on our work in your area. Met Engage continues to be an invaluable platform to receive and share intel with residents.

CharltonVillage&Riverside@contact.metengage.co.uk

Sign up here: 👉👉 **https://www.metengage.co.uk**

Alternative, you can scan the QR code: 👉👉

Working with Partner Agencies

We continue to assist other services with arrest warrants, mental health assessments, public order incidents, traffic operations, and joint work with immigration and Special Constabulary teams to target offenders. We also work closely with the local council and various other agencies.

Stay Connected and Stay Safe

We encourage all residents to remain alert and to get in touch with the local policing team for advice, assistance, or to report any issues.

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Discover the social network for your neighbourhood at **www.nextdoor.co.uk** or download the app

www.immobilise.com
Register your items to help reduce property crime and improve the chances of getting an item back in the event of loss or theft

Telephone - In an emergency please call **999** or if the matter is non-urgent but requires a police response please dial **101**

Useful Contacts

Crime Stoppers If you wish to contact police anonymously you can contact Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111 or go to their website crimestoppers-uk.org/

Royal Borough of Greenwich: switchboard 0208 854 8888

Trading Standards: 0208 921 8223 Email: tradingstandards@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Citizens Advice Consumer Service: 03454 04 05 06

Antisocial behaviour: 02089214411 Email: contact-centre@royalgreenwich.gov.uk Fly-tipping: 0208 921 4731 Email: envirocrime@royalgreenwich.gov.uk

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