

How to report crime and anti-social behaviour:

Sgt Stewart Cheetham

- If it's not an emergency, or to report a crime which has already taken place – eg if your car has been stolen – call **0300 123 1212**
- If you are concerned about crime or anti-social behaviour in your local neighbourhood, call Bunhill SNT on **020 7421 0260** or **020 8721 2662**
- You can call Crimestoppers anonymously on **0800 555 111**
- You can also report non-urgent and hate crime incidents online at **www.online.met.police.uk**
- If you are a *Homes for Islington* (HFI) tenant, you can use the 'Looking Local' service, which allows Sky or Virgin Media subscribers to report anti-social behaviour through their TV, using their remote control. You can also call HFI's anti social behaviour hotline on **020 7527 7272**
- In an emergency, or if a crime is taking place, always dial **999**



Want to know more about tackling crime and keeping safe?

To sign up for regular email or text alerts for information on what the police are doing in your local area, go to **www.met.police.uk/islington** and click on the news alerts link.

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You can find a map of your ward and details of other Safer Neighbourhoods teams by using the online postcode search on **www.met.police.uk/saferneighbourhoods**
Your SNT is not a 24-hour emergency response team.
In an emergency always dial 999.

Safer Bunhill

How the police and the council are making your neighbourhood safer



You've told us your priorities include:

- begging at Old Street tube
- drug dealing and use around King Square and Central Street
- anti-social behaviour in Whitecross Street and surrounding areas

Bunhill Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) and Islington Council are working together to make your local area a safer place. If you have any concerns about crime or anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood, please let us know (see back page for contact details).

Did you know?

- Residential burglaries in Bunhill are down by 28% since April last year

From the Metropolitan Police Service in partnership with Islington Council



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Begging at Old Street tube

You told Bunhill Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) and Islington Council of your concerns about the number of people begging at Old Street. In response, Islington Council has begun joint patrols with Bunhill SNT, British Transport Police and the Pillion Trust charity, working with the beggars, helping them to access healthcare and housing. More than half are no longer begging, and we continue to work with those beggars who remain in the area.

Begging in the underpass is illegal. The SNT will be keeping an eye on the station and more patrols will follow if needed.



Islington Council's Y Team truck travels around Islington offering activities for young people to discourage them from becoming involved in anti-social behaviour

Drug dealing in the Central Street and King Square area

Bunhill SNT received information that drugs were being supplied in and around Central Street and King Square by youths on bicycles. To deal with this, patrols of the area were organised, and stop and search tactics were used where appropriate. Over



two months, Bunhill SNT arrested six people for possession of drugs and possession with intent to supply. A raid was also carried out at a local address, where drugs were found. Bunhill SNT will continue to try to prevent drugs being sold in the area, but need your help. If you have any information about drug dealing, please contact Bunhill SNT.

Anti-social behaviour in the courtyard at Dufferin Court

Residents have told Bunhill SNT about people loitering, anti-social behaviour and drug use in the courtyard area of Dufferin Court. In response, extra police patrols of the area were carried out, and foliage around the edge of the courtyard was cut back, so that people cannot hide in the courtyard. The local YMCA is nearby, and officers have spoken to staff about asking residents not to congregate in the courtyard.

Through these actions, anti-social behaviour has been reduced. Bunhill SNT will continue to monitor and make regular patrols of the courtyard.

Are you up for the challenge?

January saw the start of the first ever Safer Neighbourhoods Annual Challenge (SNAC) in Islington.

Bunhill SNT wants young people to think about what they can do to make the neighbourhood safer and what activities they can organise to address local problems.

A few ideas include organising a bicycle marking scheme, designing a SNAC website, arranging graffiti removal, or setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Your local SNT or Safer Schools officer can help with organising and securing funding for the project.

The SNAC runs over spring term, and is for young people aged five – 19 who attend a primary or secondary school, college or youth club in the area.

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Winners will be announced at a celebrity awards ceremony in May.

If you would like to take part please contact Bunhill Safer Neighbourhoods Team on **020 7421 0260** or **020 8721 2662**.



SNAC launch with pupils from Highbury Fields Girls School and Islington Arts and Media School