

How to report crime and anti-social behaviour:

Sgt Chris Walsh

- 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 Finsbury Park SNT on **020 8721 2778**
- 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 Finsbury Park

How the police and the council are making your neighbourhood safer



You've told us your priorities include:

- tackling knife crime

Finsbury Park 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?

- Thefts in Finsbury Park are down by 27% since April last year
- Residential burglaries are down by 9%

From the Metropolitan Police Service in partnership with Islington Council



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Tackling prostitution and drugs

After receiving complaints from local residents about drug use and prostitution at an address in Allerton Walk, Finsbury Park Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) was able to secure a drug closure order against the property. While the property was closed, the SNT worked with the landlord to have the tenant evicted.

Closure orders are just one of the ways we are tackling drugs and anti-social behaviour. If you have concerns about people using a property near you for drugs, please contact Finsbury Park SNT.

Illicit drugs lab uncovered

Finsbury Park SNT found a synthetic drugs laboratory following a raid on a former barbers shop on Seven Sisters Road. The raid was a response to local residents' concerns that the premises were being used for drug dealing.

A large quantity of cannabis, and plastic vials containing chemicals believed to be synthetic Class A drugs were found.

Two men were arrested and have since been bailed, pending further police enquiries. The investigation is ongoing.

If you have any concerns about drug dealing in your area, please contact Finsbury Park SNT. The team relies on information from the community to carry out drug raids and arrests.

Man jailed after Holloway Road stabbing

Jasvir Singh has been sentenced to two and a half years imprisonment for stabbing his neighbour in the thigh with a kitchen knife last July. The suspect was charged after police were able to trace him using mobile phone technology.

Safer Bowman's Mews and Hercules Place

Local residents had raised concerns to Islington Council and Finsbury Park SNT about anti-social behaviour, fly-tipping, drug use and storage, illegal cigarettes and poor lighting in Bowman's Mews and Hercules Place. As a result of your feedback, Islington Council has now improved the area, so that these crimes are more difficult to commit. These changes include:

- repairing the footpath and road
- improving lighting
- installing a new fence at the local school
- cutting back foliage so that drugs can't be hidden
- extending the fence to prevent fly-tipping
- installing four parking bays

Biggerstaff Street was also a hotspot for anti-social behaviour, with dog fighting, mugging and violence being reported. The council has replaced fencing, and cut back trees and foliage, so that CCTV cameras are more effective.



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



Kinloch Park is back

Kinloch Park has a history of problems with street drinkers and anti-social behaviour. Finsbury Park SNT, Islington Council and charities, the Pillion Trust and the Friends of Kinloch Park, have all been working hard to make it a better place for families. Over the past 12 months the park has been a controlled drinking zone, policed by Finsbury Park SNT. This has enabled Islington Council to work with the street drinkers to give them support and advice.

The park play equipment has been repainted by offenders on community service orders, supervised by the Probation Service.

Are you up for the challenge?

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

Finsbury Park SNT wants young people to think about how they can make the

neighbourhood safer and organise activities to address local problems.

A few ideas include organising a bicycle marking scheme, designing a SNAC website or arranging graffiti removal. Finsbury Park SNT or your Safer Schools officer can help with organising and securing funding for the project.

For more information please contact your Finsbury Park Safer Neighbourhoods Team on **020 8721 2778**.

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