

Safer Hillrise

How the police and the council are making your neighbourhood safer

Summer 2009



You've told us your priorities include:

- anti-social behaviour in Elthorne Estate

Hillrise 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?

- In the last year, total crime has gone down by 23% in Hillrise ward

From the Metropolitan Police Service in partnership with Islington Council

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Arrest of burglary suspect

Hillrise ward has one of the lowest burglary rates in the borough. Hillrise Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) carry out regular uniformed and plain-clothed burglary patrols.

The team recently helped with the arrest and conviction of a known burglar. A concerned resident contacted Hillrise SNT giving a good description of a man seen acting suspiciously. The team were there within minutes and chased the man through back gardens. The team cordoned off the area and called for the support of a dog unit and the police helicopter. The helicopter arrived within minutes and was able to find the man hiding in a garden. He was caught and arrested, and has since been deported.

Bikes for Cape Youth Project

Over the last year officers from Hillrise SNT have been recovering parts from bikes that have been stolen or damaged and could not be returned to their owners.

The team gave the bike parts to the Cape Youth Project, on Crouch Hill. The project runs a bike workshop for young people, in which they get to build their own bikes. This project is very popular with local young people and provides bikes for those who can't afford one.



Putting a stop to street drinking

Islington Council is committed to working with street drinkers, and we know that street drinking increases in the summer. We recently delivered a ten-week outreach project to reduce street drinking. Two local charities, the Pilion Trust and New Horizons, were given extra funding to focus on street drinking hotspots including Archway where 21 people were identified as needing support. Eight accepted help for housing, drug and alcohol problems and the police are taking action against three people who wouldn't engage with services and have continued their anti-social behaviour.

Islington Council and the police are continuing to monitor the situation. If you have any concerns about street drinkers in your area, please contact Hillrise SNT.

All work and lots of play on the New Orleans Walk Estate

Children living on Islington's New Orleans Walk Estate are enjoying a new outdoor play area with a roundabout, climbing nets, and a rolling log. The old concrete play area with worn out equipment has been replaced by a new landscaped area for the estate's children.

All the hard work redeveloping the play area was done by Groundwork London, HFI and the New Orleans Walk Tenants and Residents Association.

Tracey Willoughby, chair of the New Orleans Walk Tenants and Residents Association, said:

"We're really happy we've got such an attractive, safe place for our children to play on the estate."

Get ready for this summer's Heatwave!

Kids have no need to be bored this summer – from trampolining to treasure hunts and football to film making, there is loads to do and something for everyone. Get more information at www.islington.gov.uk/heatwave

Remember

If you are worried about your child or their friends becoming involved in crime, you can contact Islington Council's youth workers who focus on youth crime. Contact jenny.duggan@islington.gov.uk or telephone 020 7527 7060 or 7050. To find out more about how Islington is tackling youth crime, contact catherine.briody@islington.gov.uk

Police Community Support Officers in local primary schools

Islington Council, in partnership with Islington police, was the first London borough to put Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in primary schools. Now the council has extended the funding so that the programme can continue until at least 2011.

As part of their duties officers patrol around the main routes to school, run lunchtime "Detective Clubs" and talk to misbehaving pupils.

By engaging with young people in primary schools, the council hopes the police can build positive relations with young people, and nip bad behaviour in the bud before it develops into criminal activity. There are also police officers in Islington secondary schools.



Anti-social behaviour on mopeds

Hillrise SNT started to receive complaints about young people riding mopeds on the pavements. The complaints came from across the ward but concentrated around the Elthorne Estate, Whitehall Park and Hillrise Road. The team identified the youths involved. The young people were given written warnings notifying them that their mopeds would be seized if they continued their anti-social behaviour. The warnings worked and the number of complaints has drastically reduced.

We are listening to you

You see it, hear it, report it. We deal with it.

Help us by reporting any problems so that we can take action.

Graffiti, fly posting, dog fouling, fly tipping:
Islington Council - **020 7527 2000**

Anti-social behaviour or drug dealing:
Hillrise SNT on **020 8345 3921**

Noise nuisance: Islington Council - **020 7527 3229**

For non-emergencies, or to report a crime which has already taken place call **0300 123 1212**.

Remember in an emergency always dial **999**.

If you are Deaf or have hearing difficulties you can use a textphone, dial **18000** in an emergency, or if your call is not an emergency - **18001 0300 123 1212**.

Tell us what you think and you could win £100

This is the second Safer Islington newsletter produced by the police and Islington Council. We want to keep you informed of crime and safety in your area and how we are tackling it. Please complete our online form at **www.islington.gov.uk/safer** and you will be entered into a prize draw to win **£100 Marks and Spencer vouchers**. Contact Hillrise SNT for a hard copy of the evaluation form.

How can you get involved?

Hillrise SNT wants to hear your views and concerns.

- come along to one of our regular ward panel meetings and tell us your concerns
- fill out one of our feedback cards with any concerns you have and mark an 'X' on the map to show where the crime or anti-social behaviour takes place. Give us a call if you haven't had a card through your door
- join your local Neighbourhood Watch
- sign up for local crime and safety news emails at **www.met.police.uk/islington**

Contact Hillrise SNT for more information.

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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**
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