

# How to report crime and anti-social behaviour:

**Sgt Dave Hamill**

- 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 St Mary's SNT on **020 7421 0259**
- 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.

### TEAM MEMBERS

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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 St Mary's

How the police and the council are making your neighbourhood safer



## You've told us your priorities include:

- drug use
- anti-social behaviour
- cycling on pavements

St Mary's 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?

- Since April last year, residential burglaries in St Mary's are down by 32%

From the Metropolitan Police Service in partnership with Islington Council



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## Drugs seizure in Old Royal Free Square

Local residents had told St Mary's Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) about drug dealing in the Old Royal Free Square. The team recovered cannabis from youths stopped in the area, and extra patrols led to a vehicle being stopped and searched for drugs. Cannabis and 'speed' with a street value of £4,000 was found in the car. The passenger in the vehicle was arrested for drug offences.

Police followed this up with a search of the suspect's home address. This uncovered scales and cocaine with a street value of £1,000. Five combat style knives were also seized from the address. The suspect was charged with possession with intent to supply Class A drugs.

## Family evicted for anti-social behaviour

A family in Milner Square has been evicted following a long history of anti-social behaviour towards local residents.

Family members had subjected residents and surrounding streets to noise, criminal damage, threats and graffiti over a long period of time. Islington Council, working with police and Partners for Improvement (PFI) in Islington, had offered support to the family to address their behaviour, but to little effect. In June, one of the family members received an ASBO, but the complaints continued. St Mary's SNT and PFI gathered evidence and finally secured the eviction in September.

If you have concerns about anti-social behaviour in your neighbourhood, contact St Mary's SNT.

## Community Payback

Community Payback is a community service programme for offenders, run by Islington Council in partnership with London Probation, and Safer

Neighbourhoods Teams. All offenders are supervised by London Probation. The scheme provides offenders with essential life skills, and is aimed at preventing them from becoming involved in further offences. Islington Council is always looking for future projects for the Community Payback programme – it could be anything from community gardening to painting or cleaning up a playground. If you know of any work that needs doing in your local area please contact [Janice.grant@islington.gov.uk](mailto:Janice.grant@islington.gov.uk). Work that needs doing quickly may not always be appropriate for Community Payback as projects are booked in months in advance.

## Man charged with assault on Liverpool Road

Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) Aktar Ali and Matt Parnell of St Mary's SNT were patrolling Liverpool Road when they were approached by a resident who told them that two men were fighting nearby. The suspect saw the officers approaching and ran off.

Other members of the public attempted to stop the man and after a chase, PCSO Ali detained the suspect who continued to fight and try to escape, but was arrested and charged with assault.

## Angel update

The Angel Police Team has gained two additional officers, enabling them to provide a service over a longer period during the week. Working with the police, Angel Business Improvement District (BID) has prioritised safety in the area, and the additional team members will focus on anti-social behaviour, to make the area better for residents and businesses alike.

The Angel BID is paying for additional deep cleaning outside some of the fast food outlets around the Angel, to remove grease stains and gum on the pavements. In some cases this is not only unsightly, but also hazardous for pedestrians, particularly wheelchair users and older people.

# Are you up for the challenge?

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

St Mary's 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 St Mary's Safer Neighbourhoods Team on **020 7421 0259**.

