

ELLERKER NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

March 2012

Incidents

You will be pleased to hear that there have been no serious incidents reported since the last newsletter but the police have asked us to warn you about fuel thefts. Thieves are stealing oil from domestic and commercial sites in this area by siphoning oil into tanks usually contained in the back of large Transit type vans. There is not much that you can do about this other than to keep access to your tank locked if possible and to report any suspicious activity to the police on 101.

No Cold Calling Zone

Response to the questionnaire on Cold Calling was mixed and as any action requires a unanimous response from residents we are unable to make any further progress in this matter. If any cold caller is cheeky or abusive the police ask that you call them on 101. A notice is enclosed with this newsletter which you may like to display to discourage door to door salesmen.

CCTV

We referred this matter to the Parish Council who informed us that no funds are available for such a project.

Dog Fouling

We continue to receive complaints about people not cleaning up after their dogs. If you witness any such antisocial behaviour please ring the police on 101 who will issue a fixed penalty notice to offenders.

Keyholders

We had an incident recently where neighbours were concerned that an elderly, deaf, resident of regular habits had not been seen that day and attempts to contact his relatives had been unsuccessful. No neighbours had a key and they were on the point of asking the police to force an entry when, fortunately, the person responded.

We would encourage you to consider leaving a key with a neighbour in case of emergencies - and it could be useful if you lock yourself out.

Jubilee Celebrations

Members of the Neighbourhood Watch would like to be involved with the other organizations in the village to plan a celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. If representatives of the Church, Parish Council, Playing Fields Committee, Village Hall Committee, WI and YCA and anyone else who is interested would please contact Mike Parker on 421132 then a meeting can be arranged to assess the likely support for an event on Monday 4th June.

Annual General Meeting

The Neighbourhood Watch AGM will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th June. If you wish to propose anyone for office in the NW please contact the secretary, Mike Parker, on 421132 before June 1st. Everyone is welcome to attend the AGM.

Communications

Our job is to help to keep the village safe and secure. If you see or hear anything suspicious please tell the police and your local co-coordinator, their phone numbers are at the end of this newsletter. If we hear of a serious matter which merits informing the whole village your coordinators will contact every house by putting a note through the door. Less serious matters are usually resolved by us talking with the local Police Community Support Officers who are always very helpful.

John Timperley, Chairman. Telephone 425288

Police telephone numbers: - 101 or in an emergency 999

Your coordinators are

If you are unable to reach them please contact Janet Green on 423601
