

NEWS

Bromley Common and Keston Safer Neighbourhood Team

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Please note these are not monitored 24/7. In an emergency please call 999 or if the matter is non urgent but requires a Police response please dial 101

The borough priority is to reduce MOPAC 7 Crimes. The MOPAC 7 priority crimes are crimes which have a high impact on victims, they are: **burglary, criminal damage, robbery, theft from a motor vehicle, theft from a person, theft of a motor vehicle and violence with injury.**

For more information visit:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac/data-and-research/crime>

Our Promises to you

Tackling anti social behaviour by youths. Motor vehicle crime. Burglary

We set our promises at our regular Ward Panel Meetings where we meet with representatives from the community to discuss what are the local priorities. If you would like to take an active role in helping to improve your local community then contact us about joining.

Team News

What has the team been up to?

The team has continued mobile and foot patrols around the ward concentrating on the Coppice estate, Trinity Village, Keston Village, Chatterton Village and the surrounding roads to Holydale Recreation Ground

The team and some police dog units attended a childrens charity event at the Wilberforce scout camp in Keston.

Meet the team

Safer Neighbourhood drop-in surgeries are conducted to provide local residents the opportunity to discuss directly with their team concerns or issues relating to crime and anti-social behaviour.

The Safer Neighbourhood Teams use these events to report back what they are doing alongside their partners and also use it as an opportunity to provide information about crime and people that have been brought to justice.

- Drop in Surgery Saturday 27th August 2016 at 1530 hours Fiona's Pantry Heathfield Road Keston
- Drop in Surgery Friday 26th August 2016 at 1600 hours Southborough Lane Library
- Drop in Surgery Sunday 25th September 2016 at 1430 hours Fiona's Pantry Heathfield Road Keston
- Drop in Surgery Friday 30th September 2016 at 1600 hours Southborough Lane Library

Crimes of note

The borough, as a whole, has seen an increase in various scams taking place and have put in place various initiatives to tackle this.

Fraudsters are increasingly targeting consumers over the telephone, posing as bank staff, police officers and other officials or companies in a position of trust. Often the fraudster will claim there has been fraud on your account and that you need to take action.

Your bank or the police will never:

- Phone you to ask for your 4-digit card PIN or your online banking password, even by tapping them into the telephone keypad.
- Ask you to withdraw money to hand over to them for safe-keeping.



- Ask you to purchase goods using your card and then hand them over for safe-keeping.
- Ask you to transfer money to a new account for fraud reasons, even if they say it is in your name.
- Send someone to your home to collect your cash, PIN, payment card or cheque book if you are a victim of fraud.

If you are given any of these instructions, it is a fraudulent approach. Hang up, wait at least five minutes to clear the line, or where possible use a different phone line, then call your bank or card issuer on their advertised number to report the fraud. If you don't have another telephone to use, call someone you know first to make sure the telephone line is free.

Remember these 10 rules to help beat the scammers

- Be suspicious of all 'Too good to be true' offers and deals. There are no guaranteed get-rich-quick schemes
- Do not agree to offers or deals immediately. Insist on time to obtain independent/legal advice before making a decision.
- Do not hand over money or sign anything until you have checked the credentials of the company or individual.
- Never send money to anyone you do not know or trust, whether in the UK or abroad, or use methods of payment that you are not comfortable with.
- Never give banking or personal details to anyone you do not know or trust. This information is valuable so make sure you protect it.
- Always log on to a website directly rather than clicking on links provided by an email.
- Do not rely solely on glowing testimonials: find solid independent evidence of a company's success.
- Always get independent/legal advice if an offer involves money, time or commitment.
- Do not be embarrassed to report a scam. Because the scammers are cunning and clever there is no shame in being deceived. By reporting you will make it more difficult for them to deceive others.
- If you spot a scam or have been scammed, report it and get help. Contact Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or online at www.actionfraud.police.uk