Newsletter - February 2018

Wembley Central & Alperton Residents' Association

For the Community by the Community

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Dear Residents.

This is the first newsletter issued by the Wembley Central & Alperton Residents' Association (WCARA). It provides important information about:

- 1) Our first public meeting, and
- 2) Crime prevention guidance to help keep your homes secure.

If you have already joined us, you will receive this by email.

We are here to represent the interests of local residents. Together we can make a difference to improve our neighbourhood.

Come to our first public meeting to hear from local councillors, officials and the police on matters which concern all of us. You will be able to ask questions on what they are doing to keep our neighbourhood cleaner and more secure.

We have an informative **Website**. Check us out on www.wcara.org.uk

1. WCARA PUBLIC MEETING on Wednesday 28 February, 7.00 pm, Barham Primary School, Danethorpe Road, HAO 4RQ

6:30 – 7:00 Arrivals & Registration

7:00 - 7:15 Welcome & Introduction

7:15 – 7:30 Littering & Flytipping

7:30 – 7:45 Introduction to Safer Neighbourhood Team

7:45 - 8:00 Q&A

8:00 – 8:20 Break for Refreshments

8:20 – 8:40 Local Political Party Panel

8:40 – 8:50 Elect Committee & Adopt Constitution

8:50 - Close



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 28th February, 6:30pm for 7pm

Public Meeting

Barham Primary School,
Danethorpe Road, Wembley,
Middlesex HAO 4RQ

Important Links

Brent Council

www.Brent.gov.uk

www.keepwembleytidy.co.uk

www.police.co.uk

Local GPs - www.NHS.co.uk

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2. Crime Prevention

We are particularly keen to include crime prevention advice in this newsletter as there have been a spate of **burglaries** in the area. The local police are taking this very seriously and have stepped up a presence in the area and share information with the emergency response teams.

*The local police provide up to date information and crime prevention advice on their **Twitter** Page @MPSWembleyCentl and @MPSAlperton

*If you do not have access to Twitter, check their website

https://www.met.police.uk/crime-prevention/residential-burglary/

*We are in close contact with our local police officer, PC Jake Bhanji and the local **Safer Neighbourhood Team** (SNT). He will be attending the public meeting.

*For those living in the Alperton ward, we also liaise with PC Manjit Aulak of the **Alperton** SNT.

*WCARA will represent residents at the quarterly police **Ward Panel** meetings and report back. The next Wembley Central Ward Panel meeting is 6.30pm on 22 February at Ark Elvin Academy. We have asked for the burglaries to be on the agenda.

We are also in close contact with **Brent Neighbourhood Watch Association**.

*We are strongly supporting the development of local **WhatsApp**Neighbourhood Watch Groups. Any issues of concern can immediately be sent round the group.

For instance, Bassingham Road has its own Bassingham Watch group with over 30 members. One person sets up the group and acts as the admin co-ordinator. To join, all you need to give your mobile number to the admin co-ordinator and consent to be added to that group. We are looking for volunteers to be admin co-ordinators for your street.

If you want any help setting up a WhatsApp group, contact us at info@wcara.org.uk and we will get back to you. We will also be providing further advice at the public meeting.

Kind regards

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Police Advice

- To report a crime, call 101 or go online to www.met.police.uk. In an emergency, call 999
- 2) Take a photograph of your valuables. It is the only way the police can prove it belongs to you if a burglar is stopped or stolen property retrieved. It also helps insurance claims.
- Mark your jewellery by using a traceable liquid such as 'SmartWater'.
- 4) Avoid keeping jewellery in your bedrooms and bathrooms – these are often the first places a burglar will look.
- Consider Installing intruder burglar alarms and outside security lights.
- 6) Leave some lights on and use timer switches when you go out.

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