



THE CO-ORDINATOR

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The Newsletter of the Eastbourne Neighbourhood Watch Association – encouraging the Community to work together to fight crime in close co-operation with the Police and supported by Eastbourne Borough Council

HELP WITH CLEANING UP THE ENVIRONMENT

The Clean Neighbourhood Environment Act 2005 enables local authorities to combat environmental issues such as Abandoned Vehicles, Littering, Dog Fouling, Graffiti, Fly Tipping, and the Repair and Advertising of vehicles on the public highways. To help the enforcement of the new law Eastbourne Borough Council has a team of four specially trained Enforcement Officers who are located in the Council's Economy Tourism and Environment Department at 68 Grove Road. These officers work with other enforcement agencies such as the Police and Trading Standards.

To obtain advice on environmental issues call 01323 415924 and ask to speak to one of the Enforcement Officers

OPERATION "Blitz"

Eastbourne Police have launched a new initiative aimed at reducing anti social behaviour amongst young people. The scheme is known as Operation "Blitz" and will form a strong link with communities that suffer from this type of behaviour.

The Police are asking NW Co-ordinators and members of other community groups to participate. The scheme operates over the weekends in pre-designated areas. Participants will be informed when there is to be an operation in their area and will be given a special telephone number to dial if there is trouble taking place in their area. Messages will go through to a special team of Police officers who will be operating in the area and who will be able to provide an immediate response to such reports

BOGUS CALLERS AND OTHER TRADING SCAMS

All the usual scams are still in operation including bogus Water Board and Gas officials trying to gain access to your homes. **Remember do not allow access to anyone without first confirming identities** (see recent NW newsletter). Concern over cold callers should be referred to Trading Standards on 01323 418200

DATA LINK – What is it?

Data Link is a voluntary scheme for anyone living at home who might be assured to know that essential information would be readily available to the Emergency Services should they suffer an accident or sudden illness.

How does it work? Your details are stored in a clearly labelled small container which is kept in your fridge. Two matching labels are displayed in your house, one on the outside of the fridge door, and the other on the inside of your main entrance door.

To find out more about the scheme call the Neighbourhood Watch Police Support Office on 01323 414218. If unattended, please leave your name and telephone number and ask a volunteer to send you the forms and stickers. Please speak clearly.

AGM 2006

The AGM of the NW Association was held in Christ the King Church Hall by kind permission of Father Barry Anderson on 23 November 2006 and some 40 Co-ordinators and members attended. Summarising the year's events, the Chairman reported the establishment of closer links with the Police and greater publicity. However, there was still a need for more NW. Schemes and he urged all present to do their best to recruit new Co-ordinators.



Following the AGM, the Commander of Eastbourne Police District, Chief Inspector Bob Gough (pictured left) backed up by the Officer in charge of Community Police Teams, Inspector Tony Wakefield, gave short and informative updates on the work of the Police in the Town including the new anti social behaviour operation (see above). The Chief Inspector emphasized the importance of working in partnership with all other members of the Crime Reduction Partnership and thanked members of NW for their help in reducing crime in the Borough.

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TRADING STANDARDS AND CONTRACTOR CALL

There may be some confusion about the different roles of these two organisations. Trading Standards provide free advice on standards of trading and warns of scams, such as cowboy builders and false gas meter readers in the area. Call 01323 414200 if you need advice on doorstep callers, junk mail and unwanted telephone calls. Contractor Call puts people in touch with reliable and vetted plumbers, builders and decorators etc. Call 01323 724433

COMING THIS YEAR

Arrangements have been made with Sovereign Radio to produce a quarterly feature outlining most recent security problems and solutions. The time on air will be shared by the Police Crime Prevention Officer and a member of Eastbourne NW Committee. It is anticipated that the next NW slot will be in Spring 2007. Look out for notification in the local press or listen to Sovereign Radio for announcements on 107.8 FM.



NW on air – Roy Peacock, PC Patricia Pybous, Mike Buxton of Sovereign Radio

SECURITY AIDS AVAILABLE

The following items are available at greatly reduced prices via the NW Police Support Office – 01323 414218:

- Personal Alarm - £3.00
- Shed Alarm - £8.00
- Door Chains - £2.00
- UV Marking pens – 50p
- Small UV light - £4.00
- 24 hour time switch - £3.00

If the Office is unattended, please leave your name and telephone number.



Contact:
Mrs Jeanette Bird

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For specialist advice concerning:

- Wills and Estate Administration
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- House Sales and Purchase

Wills and House Title Deeds stored free of charge

Home visits arranged by appointment

40 Meads Street Eastbourne
Tel 01323 732355
Fax 01323 722611

Your Ward Co-ordinators are:

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| Devonshire | Bob Andrews | 732718 |
| Hampden | | |
| Park | Vicki Maclean | 506187 |
| Langney | Jan Newens | 768521 |
| Meads | Roy Peacock | 647729 |
| Old Town | David Visick or Derrick Martin | 724982 645504 |
| Ratton | Alex Irwin | 644374 |
| St Anthony's | Nigel Parker | 645529 |
| Sovereign | Jim Harris | 728479 |
| Upperton | Colin Sargent | 731909 |

WELCOME TO NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

We are pleased to announce the setting up of the following new **NW Schemes-**

Devonshire Ward: Vine Square, Cavendish Place, Pevensey Road.

Meads Ward: Darley Road, Grange Road, Naomi Close, Saffrons Park, Fairfield Road, Sheraton Road, Upper Carlisle Road

Old Town: Bodmin Close. **Hampden Park:** Hampden Avenue, Freeman Avenue

Ratton Ward: Chalvington Road. **Sovereign Ward:** Woodward Close.

Langney Ward: Broad Oak Close, Wroxham Road, Carisbrooke Close.

IMPORTANT CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

POLICE. Crime in progress - dial 999. Recent Crime or Concern- Dial 0845 60 70 999

Crime Prevention Officer- 01323 414103

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH POLICE SUPPORT OFFICE (NWPSO)

01323 414218. Leave message if unattended, Please speak clearly

CRIMESTOPPERS (Anonymous info about concern) **0800 555 111**

TRADING STANDARDS- 01323 414200. **CONTRACTOR CALL-01323 724433**

ENVIRONMENT ENFORCEMENT OFFICER- 01323 415924

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