

## Come and meet us

A chance to gain advice, have your say about local policing issues and help make a difference to your neighbourhood.

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## Make a difference to your community

There are many ways you can get involved in supporting local policing and improving your neighbourhood. Have you considered becoming a neighbourhood panel member to help set local police priorities, or sign up to be a Special Constable or Met Volunteer? If you are under 18 you could become a Volunteer Police Cadet or join a youth neighbourhood panel.

## Useful websites:

To see details of all the teams in Tower Hamlets and to keep up to date with our news visit:

- [www.met.police.uk/saferneighbourhoods](http://www.met.police.uk/saferneighbourhoods)
- [www.met.police.uk/towerhamlets](http://www.met.police.uk/towerhamlets)

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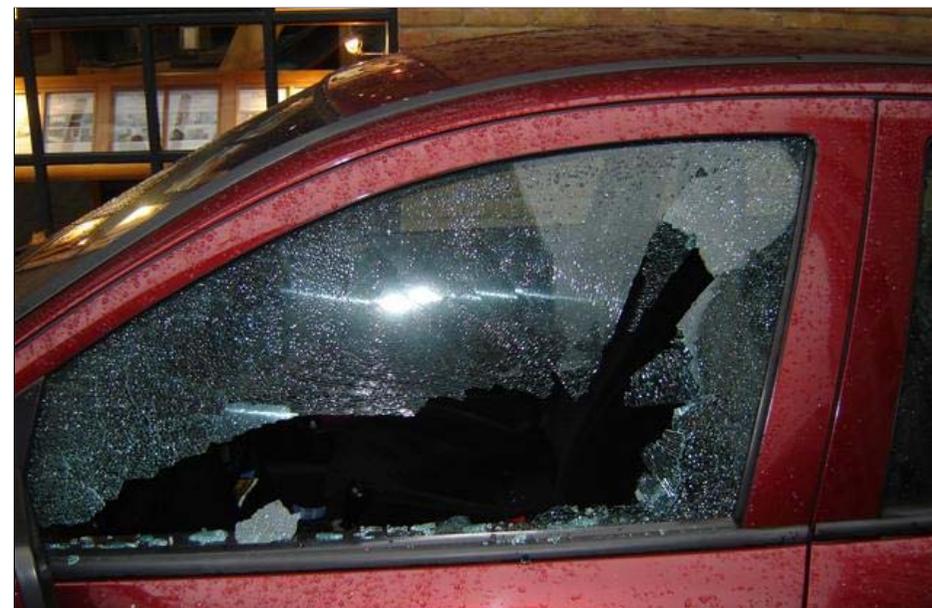
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## News

 from your local police

February 2011



Tackling Vehicle Crime

## Tackling vehicle crime

Theft from motor vehicles is a problem across London. See inside this issue for what we are doing about it on your ward. This is one example of how we are responding to your concerns. When you have finished with this newsletter feel free to pass it on.



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## You said

We listen to the concerns of the community and our priorities are set by local people who sit on a neighbourhood panel. You said the following priorities were important to you:

- Motor vehicle crime
- Anti-social behaviour in general
- Anti-social behaviour-drugs

## We did

We have done the following to tackle these priorities:

### Tackling vehicle crime

There was a slight increase in vehicle crime over the Christmas and New Year period on Wapping ward. PS Nathan, PC Scripps and PC Needham worked relentlessly during this time to identify the culprits concerned.

Many statements were taken and CCTV evidence seized. On the 8<sup>th</sup> January, the primary suspect was identified and arrested. A quantity of stolen items was recovered by the officers. A number of interviews were conducted with the suspect over the course of the weekend. The offender was charged with numerous offences and has now been remanded in custody pending trial.

Knowledge of local crime patterns and offenders were crucial to bringing this offending spree to a swift conclusion.

**Please remember – DO NOT leave any valuables in your car. If you see anyone acting suspiciously around any motor vehicles then call police immediately.**

## School visits

PCSO Casalliglla and School Liaison Officer PC Nichols attended St. Peter's Primary School in Garnet Street. They held a presentation for Year 5 and Year 6 about police matters. They explained the term "age of responsibility" which is when a person can



commit crime (over 10yrs). They spoke with the children regarding the impact that crime has on victims and also peer pressure from other children. PCSO Casalliglla said, *'I think this was a great success, the children showed immense interest, they were asking lots of questions regarding policing and it's definitely something that I would like to be involved with again.'*

## Targeted patrols

We are maintaining high visibility patrols in the estates and surrounding areas targeting identified areas involved in drug abuse and anti-social behaviour.

We have responded to your concerns about anti-social behaviour, particularly in stairwells, we made priority patrols in areas such as St Georges Estate and all of the estates around Wapping Lane. Since setting up these priority patrols the number of complaints relating to activity on these stairwells has dropped significantly.

Sergeant Mark Nathan said, *'We want all of our residents to live without harassment, alarm and distress, I will be doing everything possible with the officers that I have to succeed in this'*.

