

Dear All

I have sent this Health and Neighbourhood Watch bulletin to all those on either the NhW or TWRA distribution list.

At the Annual Meeting of the Tadworth & Walton Residents' Association Clive Elcome retired from his post as Chair of the TWRA Committee and was elected as President of the Association. Jeff Temple of Epsom Lane South was elected as Chair of the TWRA Committee. Jeff has provided me with a New Year message for residents giving some details about himself and his plans. As these might be of general interest to residents I have included a link to this message at the end of this bulletin together with a photo of Jeff for those of you who do not already know him.

I have been asked by Gillian Hein to inform you that there is to be a review of the boundary for the Surrey Hills' registration as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Please follow the link below if you wish to contribute to this review which concludes by the end of January 2022.

<https://www.surrey-hills-aonb-boundary-review.org/share>

Health Bulletin

The COVID statistics relating to Surrey are published each Friday and have continued to show significant increase in infection rates in Reigate and Banstead over the last few weeks. Our borough now reports the second highest rate in Surrey with new cases at 1707 per 100,000 residents (Spelthorne is highest) and is higher than the average for London, which is reported at 1696 , although our two nearest London Boroughs – Sutton and Croydon are both higher still at over 1,900 cases per 100,000. Extrapolating this data to Tadworth & Walton would indicate about 170 new infections in the week in question.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/people-and-community/emergency-planning-and-community-safety/coronavirus/local-outbreak-plan/figures-and-statistics/full-report>

It is important that those now eligible for vaccinations take advantage of the opportunity. Eligibility includes boosters for those over 18 and in some cases younger and first and second jabs for those over 12.

This link provides details of vaccination centres in Surrey

[Vaccination Centres](#)

Details regarding eligibility to use Walk-In Vaccination Centres can be found here

[a walk-in clinic.](#)

With the Covid vaccine booster rollout in full swing, fraudsters are looking to cash in. The Covid-19 vaccine and the boosters are all offered free of charge in the UK, and you will not have to pay at any stage of the process, either for booking an appointment, a handling fee or for the vaccine.

For general details relating to COVID visit here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

And for details of Flu Vaccinations visit here:

[nhs.uk/wintervaccinations](https://www.nhs.uk/wintervaccinations)

Test Kits

Test kits were not available this morning when requesting home delivery on the government web site, however, they were still issuing collection codes for some of our local pharmacies – you will need to check what is available at the time you apply for a code here:

[Order a lateral flow test online](#)

If you have symptoms or get a positive reading on your test kit you should take a PCR Test to confirm your infection status. You can book a PCR test here:

[free PCR test](#)

COVID Guidelines with respect to venues

You can see Government Guidelines for those operating venues and attractions where large numbers of people may gather

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/carrying-out-mandatory-covid-19-status-checks-at-your-venue-or-event>

Essentially you may need to prove your vaccination or COVID test status at outdoor venues with over 4,000 in attendance or indoor venues with over 500.

Foreign travel

This is a rapidly changing area and you will need to consult both government web sites for UK restrictions and news bulletins for those imposed on UK travellers by other countries

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-abroad-from-england-during-coronavirus-covid-19>

Neighbourhood Watch Report

You only have until Jan 4th if you want to register your opinion on the Police and Crime Commissioner Lisa Townsend survey concerning whether residents would support a small rise in council tax so that policing levels can be sustained in communities across the county. The short online survey can be filled in here: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/YYO80/>

Police Burglary Reports

The message covers the burglaries reported between the 25th Nov and 23rd Dec 2021.

- **25/11/2021 03:24. Glenfield Road, Banstead.** Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Attempted entry through the front door, after the suspects attempting to open the door of the occupant's car. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **25/11/2021 03:15. Chiltons Close, Banstead.** Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Attempted forced entry through the front door. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **27/11/2021 17:33. Merlands Rise, Tadworth.** Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the front door. The suspect left when disturbed by the occupant. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **Between 29/11/2021 23:00 to 30/11/2021 06:00. Home Farm Close, Tadworth.** Residential Garage Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the garage door. Stolen: Not confirmed at this time.

- **Between 12/12/2021 14:51 to 14/12/2021 19:00. Tattenham Way, Tadworth.** Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Attempted forced entry through the door to the annex. The suspect(s) have also entered the garden shed. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **17/12/2021 20:27. Chapel Walk, Coulsdon.** Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Attempted entry through the back door. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **19/12/2021 Between 12:00 to 16:31. Ruden Way, Epsom.** Attempted Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Attempted forced entry through the conservatory door. Stolen: Nothing taken.
- **19/12/2021 23:00. Hatch Gardens, Tadworth.** Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the rear kitchen door. Stolen: Not confirmed at this time.
- **20/12/2021 18:00. Acorn Grove, Tadworth.** Residential Burglary. Method of Entry- Forced entry through the rear first floor window. Stolen: Not confirmed at this time

Catalytic Converter Theft

In the last 7 days, we have had 2 Catalytic converter thefts reported to us (Reigate and Banstead). Church Lane Avenue, Coulsdon and one in Banstead Library Car park. The victims' vehicles have been a Mazda MX5 and a Honda CR-V.

Seasonal Advice

- Don't advertise to thieves what you have in your home.
- Don't leave discarded present boxes outside and in view and peel off any addresses and names from the boxes.
- Property mark and register your new gifts.

Our next Burglary Report will be at the beginning of 2022, so may we take this opportunity to wish you a safe Christmas and a very happy New Year!

Message Sent By

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SCAM Reports from Trading Standards

[Puppy purchases](#)

Demand for a furry friend rises during the holiday season also the isolation brought by pandemic lockdowns and new remote ways of working has increased demand throughout the past year. These changes have led to puppy prices soaring since 2020, presenting opportunities for unscrupulous sellers to profit significantly from mistreated animals. For further information and advice see here:

<https://www.tradingstandards.uk/news-policy/news-room/2021/ongoing-effects-of-covid-19-pandemic-impacting-puppy-purchases>

General Advice regarding potential scams

When considering online purchases or responding to requests for your personal data:

Stop: Take a moment to stop and think before parting with your money or information, it could keep you safe.

Challenge: Could it be fake? It's ok to reject, refuse, or ignore any requests for personal information. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.

Protect: Contact your bank immediately if you think you've fallen for a scam and report it to [Action Fraud](#).

Upcoming Events

In view of the forecast tidal wave of infections from Omicron you would be wise to check with organisers as to whether some regular events will still be happening in early January.

Village Kitchen Christchurch Hall Walton, Saturday 8th January for coffees and light lunches.

Good Shepherd Parish Lunch Sunday January 9th – note you must pre-book on the list in the Church.

COGS Pantomime –Sleeping Beauty in the Good Shepherd Hall on Friday 28th January at 7.30pm and Saturday 29th January at 2pm and 7pm. Tickets via

www.ticketsource.co.uk/goodshepherdadworth.org.uk

Please let me know if you have an event taking place in the next 2 months.

Wishing you a healthy and crime free New Year

Mike Fox

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