



IMPORTANT INFORMATION for 26th June 2008

EMAIL NEWS

A rather confused email apparently from Abbey which refers to your HSBC account which the Financial Services Authority requires you to update your information using the link provided. The link leads to a website owned by railroadlogistics.net in Bangalore India

A poorly worded email from a Patrick Chan who claims to be the Executive Director and Chief financial officer of the Hang Seng Bank Ltd has a business suggestion for you in which he asks for your help in transferring money from Hong Kong. The email originates from an address in the Netherlands and is obviously part of a money laundering scheme.

BOGUS CALLERS

In NORBURY the elderly victim had a white male approach her as she went into her property; he claimed that the Police had arrested a burglar who had stolen cash from her house. The victim let the male in and showed him where her money was kept! Victim then went into her kitchen and found a second male who claimed to be checking if the cash was ok. Both suspects then left the premises and the victim found that the cash was missing. First male described as approx 30 years old with a stocky build, with short brown hair and wearing a stripy jumper. Second male was aged 25 years and of thin build also with short brown hair.

IDENTITY THEFT – HOME OFFICE ADVICE

Your identity and personal information are valuable. If your identity is stolen, you may have difficulty getting loans, credit cards or a mortgage until the matter is sorted out.

You may become a victim of identity theft if you have lost or had stolen important documents such as your driving licence or passport: or if post expected from your bank has not arrived or you are receiving no post at all.

You may already be a victim if items have appeared on your bank or credit card statements that you do not recognise: you receive bills, invoices etc addressed to you for goods or services you have not asked for: you have been refused a loan despite have a good record or you have received letters from debt collectors for debts that aren't yours.

Identity fraud involving the use of plastic cards, online banking or cheques should be reported directly to the financial institution concerned. They will then be responsible for further investigation and as appropriate, reporting cases of criminal activity to the Police for further investigation. Other incidents should be reported to the relevant organisation, and dependent on their advice, to your local Police Station.

CRIME HOT SPOTS

Operation Blunt against knife crime continues with offences over the past four weeks mostly in Broad Green and West Thornton Wards. Tuesday is the most common day for these offences with victims being black males and the suspects are also mainly black males.

Burglary hot spots are SELHURST and WADDON wards with Tuesday again being the peak day with offences between 4 and 5 pm, no specific suspects but with sightings of black teenage males where the crimes have been committed.

Robbery and theft person offences main hotspot is Broad Green and the Town Centre having 9 offences in the past fortnight, one arrest for two of these crimes has been made.

COULSDON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

Croydon Council are pleased to provide details of the next Neighbourhood Partnership meeting.

Please click on the link below to go to our website where you will find the next meeting's Agenda. This will be held on **Wednesday 2 July 2008 at 7.30 pm** at **Old Coulsdon Congregational Church, Coulsdon Road, Old Coulsdon**. If the Agenda changes, you will be issued with a revised version at the meeting.

http://www.croydononline.org/neighbourhood_partnerships/coulsdon/2008_07_02/default.asp

Please note that Streetscene officers will be available from 7pm to cover local environmental concerns.

More information about Neighbourhood Partnerships can be found on our website www.croydononline.org/partnerships/.

CO-ORDINATORS AUDIT FORMS

A big thank you from Sarah Gardner to all those co-ordinators who have already returned their Audit forms, the final batch were posted out this week, and for those co-ordinators who have already requested further window stickers, they are being dispatched over the next few weeks.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH OFFICE Telephone: 020 8649 0318