



COCKFOSTERS WARD FORUM

**Tuesday, 19th March, 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Hadley Wood
Association Centre, 1-7 Crescent East, Hadley Wood EN4 0EL**

Membership:

Councillor : Alessandro Georgiou, Elaine Hayward and Edward Smith

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By email

March 2019

Dear Resident,

Cockfosters Ward Forum - 7.30pm, Tuesday 19 March 2019 at Hadley Wood Association Centre, 1-7 Crescent East, Hadley Wood, EN4 0EL

We are writing to you as a resident of Cockfosters Ward with an interest in community issues to the next meeting of the Cockfosters Ward Forum. We hope you will be able to attend.

The agenda is set out below, but we are happy to change it on the night if the people attending want to raise other matters with us.

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Crime Update by Police
3. Update - Public Concerts in Trent Park
4. Update - Traffic and Parking
5. Local concerns. This is an opportunity for residents to raise environmental and other matters with their local councillors. It would be helpful if you email us before the meeting about any particular issues so that we can look into them beforehand. Our contact details are below.

Please pass this invitation to friends and neighbours who you think might be interested in coming along.

Yours faithfully

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Minutes: Cockfosters Ward Forum - 7.30pm, Monday 3rd December 2018 at Vita Pax Church Hall, 29 Bramley Road, Cockfosters, N14 4HE

Attendance: Cllr Elaine Hayward (Conservative), Cllr Edward Smith (Conservative) and Cllr. Alessandro Georgiou (Conservative)

Agenda

1. Introductions

- All three Cockfosters Ward Councillors introduced themselves to those present.

2. Crime update from the local Neighbourhood Police Team

- Unfortunately, the Police were unable to attend the meeting. Their December crime report is attached. Councillors advised that the local neighbourhood police team covered Cockfosters, Southgate and Highlands Wards and comprised a sergeant who combined this role with other duties, 2 PCs and 1 PCSO.
- In the main, criminal activity in Cockfosters concerned burglary and vehicle theft/damage. The Police advocate using robust steering locks to deter thieves.
- It was clear that residents throughout the ward felt that burglaries were on the rise and of great concern. The Police welcomed the setting up of neighbourhood watches and over 20 had been set up in the Hadley Wood Area.
- Councillors reported that the Police with volunteers had recently used speed guns to monitor vehicles in Beech Hill, Prince George Avenue, South Lodge Drive and Waggon Rd. A considerable number of vehicles had been captured driving over the speed limit and warning letters sent. If caught a second time, tickets would be issued.
- Residents of Westpole Ave were advised that if they wanted speed restriction measures in their road, they would need to submit a petition to the Council copying in their councillors. The petition would need to recommend the measures preferred, speed tables, chicanes, road narrowing, etc.
- All decisions regarding any expenditure on council roads would require the approval of Cllr. Gurney Dogan, the Cabinet member for the Environment.
- Concern was raised about people parking on double yellow lines near the junction of Reservoir Rd and Bramley Rd. Parking enforcement was the responsibility of the Council and problems should be reported via the Council website. Where parking was a problem a CPZ could be introduced

but would require the consent of the majority of the residents living in the road.

3a). The New Draft Local Plan

- Councillors advised the meeting that the Council had begun consultation on the Local Plan. This was a hugely important document that would lay down the guidelines for development in the Borough of Enfield for years to come. The process had only just started and would take several years to complete and would finally require a public enquiry.
- There were several disturbing proposals in the draft document regarding intensification of residential development around tube stations and town centres and in the Green Belt at Crews Hill. People were urged to go on the Council's website and submit their comments on the proposals. Transport for London had plans apparently to develop car parking close to tube stations.
- Concern was raised about the stalled development of the church in Westpole Avenue that had been boarded up for years because apparently the Council and McCarthy and Stone had not been able to agree a S.106 agreement. Councillors would make further enquiries.
- Unfortunately, the Council had decided some time ago that S.106 money from developments in Cockfosters and elsewhere would be spent on the scheme at Meridian Water in Upper Edmonton.
- Enfield's Local Plan had to be in conformity with the Mayor's London Plan which was still being consulted on but was at a more advanced stage. The London Plan also had some disturbing proposals about the relaxation of requirements for garden developments in suburban areas although it was robust in regard to residential development in the Green Belt. Both plans were based on the assumption that London's population would continue to grow significantly in the coming years and that a step change in the level of housing development was required.

3b). Consultation on fortnightly waste collection

- Councillors advised the meeting that the Council had embarked on a consultation regarding the possible ending of the weekly collection of household waste and garden refuse. Seven options had been put forward including keeping the existing service. Green waste collection is not a statutory service and the Council were considering charging £65 a year for those who wanted it. A further proposal was to introduce a separate weekly collection of food waste as directed by the Mayor of London.
- The main purpose of changes to the waste collection service was to reduce expenditure and to increase re-cycling.

- Residents raised several concerns about the proposed changes, e.g. a possible increase in fly tipping and littering; the need for larger wheelie bins for waste and recycling; that larger bins would be difficult for elderly residents to handle; charging for green waste would only be taken up in the west of the Borough; and that some residents might not use the food caddies and dump their food in other bins.
- Councillors urged residents to go on the Council website and participate in the consultation and make their concerns known.

3c). Public concerts in Trent Park

- There were a number of concerns raised by residents regarding the 51st state event held in Trent Park on 4th August 2018. A petition on social media about such events had raise 3,200 signatures.
- The meeting was advised that a local stakeholders' group was now in regular liaison with the Parks Department and was receiving a better flow of information than hitherto. The Council however was determined to permit larger and larger public events in Trent Park in order to raise extra revenue.
- Residents were concerned that there was a significant level of disruption, aggressive behaviour and littering from those attending the event. There were also major concerns that some of the events' organisers were not reinstating the damage caused to the park by these festivals.
- The Stakeholders' Group had recently been advised that a second major musical festival called ELROW was being planned this summer with as many as 30,000 people attending. There were major concerns that Cockfosters Tube Station did not have the capacity to disperse such a large number at the end of the event. There were also concerns about public disorder and health and safety and a lack of a sufficient police presence.
- The two festivals along with several other smaller ones require an entertainments licence and the Stakeholder Group supported by local councillors would continue to make representation to the Council and the Licensing Committee.
- All three councillors committed themselves to oppose similar large events in the future and any event that would cause disruption to those that live within the surrounding area of Trent Park.

3d). Traffic and Parking Issues

- There was an update from Councillors on action taken to alleviate traffic along the A111/Cockfosters Road. There was a commitment from Councillors that all roads surrounding Cockfosters Road would be consulted upon on how best to tackle the worsening traffic situation.

- A resident asked about the Blackhorse development. It was understood that the application was still being considered by the Mayor's Office and Transport for London.
- The existing cycle lane between Cockfosters Tube and Enfield Town was in a poor state of repair and rarely used. This would be raised with the Council.
- Residents noted that the traffic light crossings near the Chicken Shed Theatre and Cockfosters Underground station should be reviewed as they could be two factors in the significant traffic issues on Cockfosters Road.
- Councillors thought that the introduction of mini roundabouts at the junction between Westpole Avenue and other side roads and Cockfosters Road could also improve traffic flow and would be discussed with the Traffic Engineers. A plan to reverse the direction of one of the slip roads in front of Cockfosters Parade had been agreed in principle by the Highways Dept.
- A resident enquired whether it would be possible to improve the Bramley Rd Sports Field. Works were taking place to the Clock Tower and were seeming to take a long time. Could this be looked into?

Date of Next meeting

- 7.30pm, Tuesday, 19th March 2019 at the Hadley Wood Centre.

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Safer Neighbourhood News

The last few weeks have been one of our busiest times of the year. Autumn Nights encompasses Halloween and Bonfire Night where historically we see a rise in anti social behaviour. The Neighbourhood teams have been out on patrol in key areas to combat this. As the early dark nights draw in, it may be worth investing in plug timers for your lights to come on before you get home. In the lead up to Christmas when Burglaries can increase it is worth reviewing your home security. Please contact your local Neighbourhood Team if you require crime prevention advice.



We are still experiencing a number of theft from motor vehicles so please be aware of leaving items on display in your vehicle. As winter sets in, please look out for your neighbours especially if they are elderly or vulnerable and if you notice anything suspicious please do not hesitate to call us.

Crimes Recorded in November

Burglary

There were **14** residential burglaries this month.

EBONY CRESCENT, 10th November – 10am
Bicycle stolen from secure storage area in underground car park.

AVENUE COURT, AVENUE ROAD, 8th November – 12:50pm – 1pm
Parcels stolen from communal area by black male in early 20's.

FAIRGREEN, 13th November – 5:30pm – 5:40pm
Suspect smashed rear first floor window, around £10 in small change stolen, suspect disturbed and left property.

BELMONT CLOSE, 13th November – 8:30am
Rear window broken, over £500 cash taken.

WESTPOLE AVENUE, 21st November – 3:46am - 4am
Resident awoke to noise downstairs, found front door and porch door open, handbag, purse, house keys, BMW X1 taken. Vehicle recovered in Dagenham.

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HELENA CLOSE, 21st November – 2:30pm - 4:46pm

Three suspects entered via rear patio door after smashing glass, not known if anything taken.

WESTPOLE AVENUE, 21st November – 2:45am

Victim awoke to find downstairs light on, heard suspect go out door and run.

BOURNEWELL CLOSE, 1st November – 1am – 22nd November - 1pm

Suspect smashed rear first floor bedroom window, Nothing taken as owner had not moved in yet.

COOMBEHURST CLOSE, 23rd November – 5pm – 8:42pm

Suspect smashed rear bedroom window, not known if anything taken.

CHESTNUT CLOSE, 24th November – 2pm – 4:44pm

Suspect pulled alarm box off of wall, smashed window in kitchen door, reached through to unlock door as key was left in the lock. Cash and jewellery taken.

EBONY CRESCENT, 25th November – 12:30pm – 5:55pm

Bicycle stolen from secure storage area in underground car park (Certified lock cut through).

EBONY CRESCENT, 25th November – 2pm – 7pm

Bicycle stolen from secure storage area in underground car park (lock cut).

EBONY CRESCENT, 25th November – 5pm - 6pm

Two bicycles stolen from secure storage area in underground car park (Cage and lock cut through).

SOUTH LODGE DRIVE, 26th November – 6:39pm – 7:08pm

Suspect smashed small pane of glass in front door, reached in and unlocked door, untidy search.

Motor Vehicle

There were twenty eight thefts from motor vehicles and four thefts of motor vehicle reported in November.

CHASE SIDE, 1st November – 7pm – 7:05pm

Suspect smashed driver's side window and took Prada sunglasses.

CRESCENT EAST, 2nd November – 9pm – 3rd November – 8:50am

Vehicle stolen from location, found abandoned in Cowley..

BRAMLEY ROAD, 3rd November – 10am – 8pm

Van broken into via driver's side window, cash taken from glove box.

BRAMLEY ROAD, 3rd November – 6pm – 8:30pm

Driver's side window smashed, vehicle searched.

BELGRAVE GARDENS, 3rd November – 11pm – 4th November – 1:25pm

Front and rear number plates stolen.

ADDISON AVENUE, 4th November – 7pm – 8:57pm

No damage to vehicle, dashcam, sunglasses and tools taken.



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TRENT GARDENS, 4th November – 7pm – 5th November - 6:15am
Front offside window smashed, bonnet stolen.

TRENT GARDENS, 5th November – 5pm – 6th November - 8:20am
Passenger side front window broken, log book taken from glove compartment.

TRENT GARDENS, 5th November – 6pm – 6th November - 2pm
Passenger side front window broken, nothing taken.

RESERVOIR ROAD, 7th November – 8pm – 8th November 7:20am
Driver's door lock forced, disable badge and £8 in small change taken.

TRENT GARDENS, 7th November – 5:30pm
£30 and a bank card taken, no other details.

HOOD AVENUE, 5th November – 8pm – 6th November - 8:30am
Driver's side door lock damaged, £5 in loose change taken.

TRENT GARDENS, 10th November – 6pm – 10pm
Front passenger side window broken, satnav / stereo unit/ DVD player and sunglasses taken.

O/S COCKFOSTERS LT STATION, COCKFOSTERS ROAD, 10th November – 6:30pm – 11:30pm
Rear passenger side window smashed, laptop bag containing documents taken.

BELGRAVE GARDENS, 11th November – 8pm – 12th November - 8am
Front driver's side window broken, £100 in notes and £6 in small change taken from centre console.

BEECH HILL, 16th November – 3pm – 17th November – 11am
Louis Vuitton bag stolen from boot of car, could have happened at multiple locations..

O/S OAKTREE SCHOOL, CHASE SIDE, 19th November – 5:15pm – 6:15pm
Suspect smashed passenger side front window and stole a suitcase containing items destined for a charity shop.

O/S OAKWOOD LT STATION, BRAMLEY ROAD, 20th November – 8:20am – 6:49pm
Suspect smashed front passenger window and stole Rayban sunglasses.

O/S OAKWOOD LT STATION, BRAMLEY ROAD, 20th November – 8:15am – 7:40pm
Suspect smashed front passenger window and stole £20 in loose change.

PARKGATE CRESCENT, 21st November – 1am – 7am
Vehicle stolen without keys.

TRENT GARDENS, 22nd November – 3:40pm – 4:15pm
Rear side window broken, laptop, phone chargers, £50 in change, three pairs of prescription sunglasses and Apple airpod headphones taken.

CHASE SIDE, 23rd November – 7:30pm – 9:05pm
Window smashed, untidy search of vehicle.

CHASE SIDE, 23rd November – 6:30pm – 9:10pm
Multiple vehicles broken into including victim's, untidy search of victim's vehicle. .

COCKFOSTERS ROAD, 24th November – 8:50pm – 9:04pm
Two males in tracksuits seen to smash rear passenger side window and steal a purse, cosmetics and driving licence.

BRAMLEY ROAD, 24th November – 8:40pm – 8:50pm
Non running van used for storage stolen.



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CAR PARK, COCKFOSTERS ROAD, 23rd November – 7am – 8pm
Front passenger door forced with screwdriver, £20 and 60 cigarettes stolen.

MERRYHILLS COURT, 24th November – 8pm – 25th November – 1:59pm
Suspect smashed driver's side front window of vehicle, untidy search.

O/S COCKFOSTERS LT STATION, COCKFOSTERS ROAD, 26th November – 9am – 10:30pm
Catalytic converter stolen.

AVENUE ROAD, 10th November – 12:01am – 27th November - 12:01am
Black Range Rover stolen without keys.

MOUNT PLEASANT, 29th November – 2:20pm – 2:40pm
Passenger side window of van smashed and dash-cam and backpack stolen..

WESTPOLE AVENUE, 29th November – 5:20pm – 5:34pm
Red Honda scooter stolen.

THE FAIRWAY, 29th November – 8am – 30th November – 7am
Driver's window smashed, untidy search..

Robbery

There were no reported robberies in November.

Other crimes for November

- 1 x Theft person
- 5 x Criminal damage
- 4 x Criminal damage to motor vehicle
- 3 x GBH / ABH

Two criminal damage incidents were to gaming machines in a bookmakers, this is not uncommon as customers get upset after losing large amounts of cash and break the machines.

Upcoming events

Our next drop in surgeries/street briefings will be on:

Saturday 15th December 2018, 10am – 11am
Thymari Restaurant, 18 Crescent West EN4

Friday 21st December 2018, 11am - 12pm Costa Coffee, Station Parade EN4

Friday 11th January 2019, 10am – 11am Costa Coffee, Station Parade EN4

Saturday 19th January 2019, 10am – 11am Thymari Restaurant, 18 Crescent West EN4

Friday 25th January 2019, 1pm – 2pm Costa Coffee, Station Parade EN4

Wednesday 30th January 2019, 1pm – 2pm Costa Coffee, Station Parade EN4



Cuppa with a Copper

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Contact Points

Saturday afternoon 2pm-3pm.

- **Dugdale Centre**
39 London Road, Enfield, EN2 6DS

Team Members

Based at Southgate Police Station your Dedicated Ward Officers (DWOs) on Cockfosters Ward are:

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PS Aaron King

Dedicated Ward Officers:

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PC Carl Bliss

PCSO Steve Douglas

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Take a look at our new website where you can see crime figures for your area, you can also report some crimes via the website.

<https://beta.met.police.uk/>

Residents, wishing to contact us for advice or to arrange a visit should contact us by phone or email.

If you wish to report a crime you can do so online as above, or phone 101 for non-emergency matters.

Always dial 999 in an emergency.

Useful Contacts

24/7 Police Station

- **Edmonton Police station**
462 Fore Street, Edmonton N9 0PW



Don't forget to follow us on Twitter for crime prevention advice, local events and meetings.

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Do not report crime on Twitter. In emergencies always call 999. Twitter is not staffed 24/7



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