# EAGLESFIELD PARK SE18

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## Autumn Newsletter

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#### Crime cannot thrive in communities that care

EPNWS - creating a safe and caring community on Shooters Hill

In this revamped version of our newsletter, we wanted to highlight actions that we can all take to create a safer neighbourhood we can all thrive in

Some of the most common crimes we should all be mindful of:

- Fraud and Computer Misuse: Online scams, identity theft, and hacking
- Criminal Damage: Vandalism, graffiti, and other forms of property damage
- Vehicle-Related Theft: Stealing cars, motorcycles, and items from vehicles.

#### How do we report these crimes?

Emergency situations: If you are in immediate danger or witnessing a crime in progress, ≈ 999

Non-Emergency situations: For non-urgent matters, call \$101. Shooters Hill Safer Neighbourhoods Police team (not 24/7):

- **2** 020 8649 3540
- **1**07843 065 879
- shootershill.snt@met.police.uk

**Crimestoppers:** You can report crimes anonymously by calling 0800 555 111 or visiting the Crimestoppers website.

Victim Support: If you need emotional or practical support after experiencing a crime, contact Victim Support at 08 08 16 89 111

#### **Recent activities**

Eaglesfield Park Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (EPNWS) has been busy contributing to our community!

- 13 April & 18 May: Shooters Hill Community Clean up
- · 9 June: EPNWS Picnic in the Park
- 7 July: Installation of new Neighbourhood Watch Signs around Shooters Hill

## SAVE THE DATE Sunday 1 December

#### **EPNWS Christmas Social**

Time: 2-5pm Location: Shooters Hill Golf Club, Eaglesfield Road



#### Everyone is welcome to our free event

Arts & crafts
Festive Music
Christmas Carols
Pay for bar
Raffle

Santa Claus - Please bring a prewrapped gift for children attending

To attend email the Watch by 24
November confirming your name and
total number in your group:
epnws@hotmail.co.uk

Space allocated on a first come, first served basis – register on arrival.

Donations to the Watch welcome!

Email: epnws@hotmail.co.uk

#### Spotlight on cybercrime

Being vigilant about cybercrime is crucial in today's digital age. Here are some tips to protect yourself:

#### Use strong & unique passwords:

- Password Complexity: Create strong passwords that are long (at least 12 characters), and include a mix of letters, numbers, and special characters.
- Unique Passwords: Use different passwords for different accounts to prevent a breach on one account from affecting others.
- Password Manager: Consider using a reputable password manager to store and generate complex passwords securely.

#### Be wary of phishing scams:

- Email Vigilance: Be cautious of emails that ask for personal information or urge immediate action. Verify the sender's address and avoid clicking on links in unsolicited emails.
- Look for Red Flags: Watch for misspellings, suspicious URLs, or requests for sensitive information like passwords or credit card numbers.

#### Secure your devices (phones/laptops):

- · Use Antivirus Software
- Ensure your firewall is active to protect your network from unauthorized access.
- Device Lock: Use PINs, passwords, or biometrics (like fingerprint or face recognition) to lock your devices.

## Protect your home!

Benefits of video doorbell for home security & convenience:

- Enhanced security: You can see who is at your door before opening it, which helps in identifying visitors and deterring potential intruders
- Remote monitoring: Many video doorbells allow you to monitor your front door from anywhere using a smartphone app. This is especially useful when you're not at home
- Motion detection: These devices often come with motion sensors that alert you when someone approaches your door, even if they don't ring the bell
- Two-way communication: You can speak to visitors through the doorbell, which is handy for giving instructions to delivery personnel or greeting guests
- Video recording: Most video doorbells record footage, which can be useful for reviewing past events or providing evidence in case of a security incident.

## Lock it, or lose it! ✗

There have been reports in our local area of thieves attempting to break into cars. Here are some practical tips:

- Always lock your car: This may sound obvious, but make sure all doors, windows, and the boot are fully closed and locked (even when leaving your car for a short time).
- Remove valuables: Don't leave anything of value in plain sight. If you have to leave something in the car, store it in the boot or a hidden compartment.
- Use a faraday pouch for key fobs: For cars with keyless entry, thieves can use signal amplifiers to unlock your car. A Faraday pouch blocks these signals, preventing remote unlocking.



## Thank you!

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the local businesses and sports clubs for their ongoing support:

The Bull Pub

Foxcroft Convenience Store

Shooters Hill Golf Club

Shooters Hill Lawn Tennis
Club









