

## Tooting Crime Briefing

26 November, 2003

There have been a number of emails in circulation, concerning a text message on your mobile phone, asking you to dial a number which will then, apparently, give someone access to your SIM card details, or will enable others to use your mobile account. These would appear to be hoaxes, rather than real frauds, but please be very wary of doing anything in response to an unsolicited message like this, as it is possible that one day one of them will be true. Also, please do not circulate specific warnings unless you are very sure of the source, as these can cause as much trouble as a virus, by clogging up the networks, and by costing the recipient money for the time taken to download the warning.

**Attached are details of the street crimes and burglaries reported to Tooting police during the period 20/11/03 to 26/11/03**

### STREET CRIME

Offence	Place	Date	Time	Method
Street Robbery	<b>CHURCH LANE</b>	24/11/2003	1415	Three suspects followed victims and asked if they had a phone. They were then searched and phone taken.
Street Robbery	<b>FISHPONDS ROAD</b>	24/11/2003	2210	Three suspects approached the victim from behind, kicked him in the back and then took his briefcase and made off in a BMW.
Street Robbery	<b>GLASFORD STREET</b>	24/11/2003	1750	Four 18-year-old suspects, all in dark hooded tops and jeans, threatened victim, punched him and stole property.
Street Robbery	<b>NIMROD ROAD</b>	25/11/2003	0900	Two suspects, 16, with white shirts and dark coats, threatened victim, searched him and stole mobile phone.
Street Robbery	<b>NIMROD ROAD</b>	25/11/2003	1410	Victim threatened by four 17-year-old suspects, one with grey hat, grey tracksuit, white trainers and stud earrings, and money taken from wallet.

Street Robbery	<b>UNDINE STREET</b>	25/11/2003	1555	Three suspects threatened victim with knife and stole cash.
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### BURGLARY

Offence	Place	Date from	Time from	Date to	Time to	Method
Residential Burglary	<b>ALDRINGTON ROAD</b>	24/11/2003	0445			Suspect entered flat through open window
Non-Residential Burglary	<b>CHESTNUT GROVE</b>	21/11/2003	1900	21/11/2003	1915	Suspect, 15, very tall, wearing black jacket and baseball cap, entered premises and took items from office.
Residential Burglary	<b>KENLOR ROAD</b>	17/11/2003	1130	17/11/2003	1630	Suspect forced entry by smashing glass in front door and took property.
Burglary Artifice - Residential	<b>GASSIOT ROAD</b>	24/11/2003	1245	24/11/2003	1300	Male suspect, late twenties, 5' 10", wearing dark clothing and baseball cap, knocked on the door stated that as he was delivering leaflets the victim's dog had bitten his finger and attempted to gain entry.
Residential Burglary	<b>BYTON ROAD</b>	20/11/2003	0900	20/11/2003	1800	Suspect entered and stole.
Burglary Artifice - Residential	<b>BROADWATER ROAD</b>	24/11/2003	1640	24/11/2003	1650	Woman suspect aged 20, wearing trousers, jacket and raincoat, entered victims address under pretence of being in need. Whilst victim looked for cash to give her, she stole a gold bracelet.

### WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU CAN HELP?

If you can help solve any of the crimes mentioned above, or can assist to identify the person(s) responsible, please contact Tooting Sector Office on

020 8247 8374

Alternatively pass your information to CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111. You do not have to give your name or address and you may be eligible for a reward if the information given leads to the arrest and conviction of an offender.

## **CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE**

Advice on all aspects of crime prevention can be obtained from:

- 1) Wandsworth Crime Prevention Centre, 17 Arndale Walk, Wandsworth Shopping Centre (formerly the Arndale Centre), London SW18, (telephone 020 8871 0803), open to callers between 9am and 5pm Mondays to Saturdays.
- 2) Putney Crime Prevention Shop, next to the Odeon Cinema in Putney High Street, (telephone 020 8785 8874). The shop is open to the public between 10am and 5-30pm, Mondays to Saturdays.
- 3) Community Policing Contact Centre, Islamic Centre, 145 Upper Tooting Road, London SW17 between 11am and 1pm on Saturday mornings will be pleased to mark mobile phones and other property, give advice and accept third party reports of crime.

Information on crime in other parts of Wandsworth can be found under 'crime bulletins' on [www.wandsworth.gov.uk](http://www.wandsworth.gov.uk)