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ELTHAM POLICE SECTOR - ANNUAL REPORT
AS AT OCTOBER 2000

Summary of Initiatives over the year - Extensive property marking on the Ferrier Estate throughout last November led to a zero burglary rate the following month. Reduced burglary rates continued.

Eltham High Street saw a pre-Christmas initiative targeting crime and raising public awareness on crime prevention issues. This was focussed on the mobile police station located in the High Street.

‘Building Bridges’ - Eltham Green School Police Day. The largest school involvement event ever undertaken by police, when police led all lessons for the day. Many difficult social issues were highlighted and challenged. This work was the subject of TV and press acknowledgment.

High visibility patrolling of estates was undertaken at various points throughout the year and a number of operations were conducted to tackle drug dealing.

The Homesafe Project was extended to cover a larger part of Eltham and the team have been involved, carrying out necessary surveys.

Neighbourhood nuisance panels have been established with the Council to promote joined up working by all those responsible for delivering results under the Crime Disorder Act. Liaison is also maintained with a large number of people and groups, including Clive Efford MP, local councillors, housing estate managers, Eltham Town Centre Steering Group and various community and youth groups.

The Future - The Police have agreed to align beat boundaries to council ward boundaries from April next year. Much work has gone in to the planning of this change. The effect on Eltham is that the sector boundary will move north to include the new Kidbrooke with Hornfair Ward and there will be an increase in personnel to accommodate these changes.

The team exists as part of Greenwich Borough Police within the Metropolitan Police Service as a whole. Accordingly the sector has been influenced by factors beyond its control. The rising number of emergency calls and the falling number of police officers within the service has had an impact on the sector’s ability to respond to the various community demands in the last few months. Within the borough we are looking at ways to improve the service we provide and a team has been asked to review the current style of policing to identify better working practices.

The impact of the introduction of the Metropolitan Police Authority has yet to be felt and the service continues to be steered by Home Office objectives. At Eltham we take great trouble to consult with our community and to take on board their concerns. To this end much of our proactive work follows community demands. Your continued help will ensure that this process carries on and that crime reduction in Eltham will continue.
INSPECTOR JONES

With regard to Neighbourhood Watch in the WEST PARK area, there has been little or no progress. PC Wood has spoken with some residents, as have I. Those we have spoken to felt that there would be no benefit in such a scheme and were not interested. However, if you can provide me with details of anyone from West Park area who would be prepared to co-ordinate such a group, I will contact them and support them in forming a watch.

With regard to crime in West Park and the surrounding area, in the last three months there have been two burglaries. In both cases enquiries led to arrests for offences. There have been two motor vehicles stolen, one of which has been recovered, and five cases of damage to motor vehicles (one being the arson of a vehicle stolen elsewhere and which was set alight when it was abandoned). In the preceding three-month period, there were five burglaries, five motor vehicles stolen and four damaged.

Greenwich Police have this year achieved a 27% reduction in burglaries, a 19% reduction in street crime and a 10% reduction in vehicle crime. This is in addition to reductions in previous years. This performance outstrips other boroughs that have been unable to achieve reduction on this scale.

Booklet

MOTTINGHAM: FROM HAMLET TO URBAN VILLAGE

This was originally published in 1977. Miss Parkinson (former librarian) has now updated the text to include changes since then. Mr. Simon Finch of Bromley Central Library is hoping that the new booklet will be published in May 2001.

CHANGE OF NAME AND ADDRESS

From the 24th. November 2000, Bromley Centre for Voluntary Services (BCVS) has changed its name to:

COMMUNITY LINKS, BROMLEY

and will be located at Community House, South Street, Bromley, Kent. BR1 1RH. Telephone - 020-8315 1900.

UPDATE ON ELTHAM COLLEGE PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning permission has been sought by the school for a substantial new nursery and junior school on what is currently open playing field, classified for planning purposes as Metropolitan Open Land (MOL). The proposal is for the new building and additional car parking to lie to the west of the existing school buildings. This plan is in addition to the music school and car parking schemes permitted on appeal in February 1999.

Residents may have been surprised to learn that two identical planning applications had been lodged for the same building. The first was started in July 1999 and the second in September this year. The reason for this duplication was that it would have enabled the school to take the proposal to appeal earlier than would have otherwise have been the case.

The position has now been somewhat simplified by the decision of Bromley Council to refuse both applications. We would like to thank Mr David Cartwright, a member of the Association, for his excellent presentation to the Bromley Planning Committee on our behalf. The grounds for refusal were:

(i) Unacceptable encroachment on to MOL and Green Chain Land.
(ii) the increase in traffic through the proposed new entrance in Grove Park Road, which would result in congestion and road safety problems.

Your Executive Committee continues to oppose further development on this site on the same grounds as Bromley Council. If an appeal is made against the refusals, it will again be important for residents with a view on the proposals to write individually to the planning Inspector. Further details and advice will be available from Executive Committee members if an Inquiry does take place.

PARKING FACILITIES - MOTTINGHAM ROAD

In order to counter the shortage of parking spaces for shoppers in the Village, Bromley Council will be installing "two-wheel up" facilities from No. 47 (Fish and Chip shop) to No. 67 (Estate Agents) Mottingham Road. Road markings and signs will be installed, with posts placed along the pavement to safeguard pedestrians. Waiting restrictions for this part of Mottingham Road ONLY will be altered to allow the maximum stay of 30 minutes and the experiment will be reviewed after 6 months operation, when a decision will be made as to whether the scheme should become permanent.
UPDATE ON REVISION OF THE BROMLEY UNITARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Unitary Development Plan (UDP) sets out Council policies governing planning decisions. The Bromley UDP is due for revision. Members of the Executive Committee took part in the consultation process that followed the publication of a skeleton draft UDP revision in March 2000. We have paid particular attention to the proposed policies on Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) and Green Belt, because of the failure of the existing policies to protect the openness of MOL at the January 1999 Eltham College Local Enquiry.

UDP policies in this area should be significantly tightened up during the revision, because of amendments to government policy guidance since the current UDP was adopted in 1994.

We are concerned that the draft policies as currently worded, do not properly reflect current government guidance, and apply criteria controlling developments on Green Belt/ MOL which are insufficiently restrictive. We are particularly concerned over the degree of control to be exercised over a class of developments considered particularly harmful to Green Belt and MOL known as “inappropriate developments”.

The first stage for the new UDP is currently scheduled to start in late January 2001. This is the stage at which comments on the revision are invited from residents and other interested parties. Forms will be available in Nottingham library on which comments can be made on any aspect of the UDP revision. Your Executive Committee will welcome support from individual residents in pressing Bromley Council to tighten the criteria controlling developments on MOL and Green Belt. An information sheet will be prepared once the draft plan has been published. For copies and further advice please contact Tim Jones on 020-8857 4582.

PARKING FACILITIES - PORCUPINE CLOSE

It is understood Greenwich Borough Council are proposing to close entry into Porcupine Close from Court Road; entry only from Leysdown Road.

No further details available at present.

AIRPORT PLANS - Biggin Hill

Residents have been denied a say in the controversial expansion of Biggin Hill Airport following a High Court Decision.

Residents will recall that the proposed flight path would go directly over the new Bromley Hospital at Farnborough.

The Biggin Hill Airport chairman, Andrew Walters pledged to residents of Biggin Hill there will never be holiday flights from the Airport.

Speaking to a hostile audience from the Biggin Hill Residents’ Association, who were warned about the airport expansion plans, Mr. Walters argued the airport needed to expand its activities in order to keep itself in profit. “This is never going to be a high volume airport. It can’t be done. The Government would never sanction it.”

However, there was little support for Mr. Walters by the residents at the meeting. We are waiting to hear if Bromley Council intend to appeal against the High Court Decision.

OVERHANGING VEGETATION

Now that our gardens have succumbed to winter (or rain!) this is the ideal time to cut back any overgrowth which intrudes onto public footpaths, which is not only contrary to our Bye-laws but can harm pedestrians and shows little thought for those with eyesight problems.

The ideal disposal is composting or taking to a Refuse Depot, but may we remind Bromley residents garden refuse cannot be included with your normal household waste. You can however, purchase special stickers from the Civic Centre, or send a cheque made out to CORY ENVIRONMENTAL at Central Depot, Baths Road, Bromley BR2 9RB. £3.18 for 6.

Place one label per bag and put out at the same time as your normal refuse collection.
Eltham Sector - Contact Details

Crime and Incident Reporting (24 hours) 020-8853 1212
Eltham Sector Office (answerphone) 1 020-8284 5723
2 020-8284 5600
Eltham Station Office (24 hours) 020-8284 5625
Eltham Fax number 020-828 5690
Emergencies 999
Eltham Police Station - 20 Well Hall Road, Eltham, SE9 6SF
Crime stoppers (Anonymous Information) 0800 555 111
Victim Support 020-8854 1113
Fly Tipping 0800 80 70 60
Graffiti Hotline 020-8921 6881
Noisy Car Alarms (LBG Environmental Health) 020-8854 8888
LBG Switchboard 020-8854 8888

Bromley Sector - Contact Details

BROMLEY POLICE - Contact details
Inspector Laney 020-8284 8703
Sector Office 020-8284 8786
Jim Duncan 0403 682 820 (Mobile)
Crime Help Desk 020 8284 8052
General Enquiries (next step down to 999 calls) 020-8313 1212
Rubbish Dumping and Graffiti Removal 020-8313 4830
Noise Problems (8.30am - 5pm Mon/Fri) 8313 4830
Other times 8464 4848
Dumped Vehicles 8313 4236

MY TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

On the first day of Christmas my true love said to me. “I’m glad we brought fresh turkey and a proper Christmas Tree”.

On the second day of Christmas, much laughter could be heard as we tucked into our turkey, a most delicious bird.

On the third day we entertained the people from next door. The turkey tasted just as it had the day before.

Day four, relations came to stay: poor gran is looking old. We finished up the Christmas pud and ate the turkey cold.

On the fifth day of Christmas, outside the snowflakes flurried. But we were nice and warm inside, for we had our turkey curried.

On the sixth day, I must admit, the Christmas spirit died. The children fought and bickered: we ate turkey rissoles fried.

On the seventh day of Christmas, my true love he did wince, when he sat down at the table and was offered turkey mince.

Day eight and nerves were getting frayed: the dog had run for shelter. I served up turkey pancakes and a glass of Alka Seltzer.

On the ninth day our cat had left home, by lunchtime Dad was blotto. He said he had to have a drink to face turkey risotto.

On the tenth day the booze had gone (except our home made brew). And if that wasn’t bad enough we stuffed turkey stew.

On the eleventh day of Christmas, the Christmas tree was rustling. The mince pies were as hard as rock and the turkey was revolting.

On the twelfth day, my true love had a smile on his lips - The guests had gone, the turkey too - and we dined on fish and chips.

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THOMPSON'S PLANT AND GARDEN CENTRE
ROAD STEWARDS

Road Stewards are a very important part of your Residents' Association, as they are the contact our Members have to voice concerns and problems. We welcome the new members who have undertaken the duties of Road Stewards: Mr. Roberts of Portland Road and Miss Murdoch-Harris of Portland Crescent.

Full details are given below.

We are urgently seeking a Road Steward for Mottingham Lane and Coleview Court. If you are willing to cover these for us, please contact our Membership Sec. who will provide all information to assist you.

ROAD STEWARDS

SECTION ONE
LEADER - MR TUNSTALL - 65 Leysdown Road 8857 4225
Albert Road
Mrs Cheeseman 152 Mottingham Road 8851 1747
Highcombe Close (odd & even)
Mrs Hollingum 33 Devonshire Road 8857 5856
Lulworth Road
Mr Harvie 16 Lulworth Road 8325 3579
Mottingham Road 100-154
Mrs Cheeseman 152 Mottingham Road 8851 1747
Porcupine Close
Mrs Washbrook 65 Chapel Farm Road 8857 8122

SECTION TWO
LEADER - MR CHKLAR - 7 Grove Park Road 8857 9440
Hinton Close
Mrs Stevens 1 Layzell Walk 8857 2687
Luxford Road
Mr Page 7 Luxfield Road 8851 1485
Sidcup Road 375 - 511
Mr Leakey 475 Sidcup Road 8851 4845
Sidcup Road 452-508
Mr Edgar 32 Park Road 8851 3788
West Hallows
Miss Dermody 54 West Hallows 8851 3555
West Park (odd)
Mr Treadwell 236 Court Road 8857 3433
West Park (even)
Mr & Mrs Perkins 7 West Park 8851 8644

SECTION THREE
LEADER - MRS COBB - 7 Carters Hill Close 8857 1944
Beaconsfield Rd (odd & even)
Mrs Pugh 59 Beaconsfield Rd 8851 9678
Carters Hill Close
Mrs Webster 26 Carters Hill Close 8851 3696
Cedar Mount
Mrs Cobb 7 Carters Hill Close 8857 1944
Colvview Court
Vacant
Grove Park Rd. (even)
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Grove Park Rd. (odd)
Mr Barker 78 Grove Park Road 8857 9208
Hall View
Mr Barker 78 Grove Park Road 8857 9208
Model Farm Close
Mr Barker 16 Model Farm Close 8851 9895
Mottingham Gardens
Mr Donoghue 16 Mottingham Gardens 8857 3257
Mottingham Lane
Vacant

SECTION FOUR
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Mr & Mrs Foster 15 Clarence Road 8851 2813
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Mr & Mrs Foster 15 Clarence Road 8851 2813
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Crossway
Mrs Lockwood 23 Court Farm Road 8325 3695
Devonshire Road
Mr Noble 32 Mottingham Road 8851 0508
Dorset Road (odd & even)
Mr Heath 11 Dorset Road 8857 1874
Elmhurst Road (odd & even)
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Mrs Swanton 9 Model Farm Close 8851 1523
Kippington Drive
Mr & Mrs Foster 15 Clarence Road 8851 2813
Layzell Walk
Mr & Mrs Foster 15 Clarence Road 8851 2813
Mottingham Road 1-95
Mrs Stevens 1 Layzell Walk 8857 2567
Mottingham Road 2-58
Mr Noble 32 Mottingham Road 8851 0608
Portland Crescent
Miss Murdoch-Harris 15 Portland Crescent 8249 4376
Portland Road
Mr Roberts 27 Portland Road 8851 7032
Silverdale Drive
Mrs Lockwood 23 Court Farm Road 8325 3695
Sycamore Close
Mrs Swanton 9 Model Farm Close 8851 1523

SECTION FIVE
LEADER - MR D. JONES - 260 Court Road 8857 8712
Bill Hamling Close
Mrs Henderson 10 Birbetts Road 8857 5800
Birbetts Road
Mrs Pass 13 Birbetts Road 8857 3733
Bowmead
Mrs Pass 13 Birbetts Road 8857 3733
Bromhedge
Mrs Johnson 23 Hartsmead Road 8857 3604
Chapel Farm Rd (even)
Mrs Robinson 47 Chapel Farm Road 8857 0324
Chapel Farm Rd (odd)
Mrs Johnson 23 Hartsmead Road 8857 3604
Court Road (odd) 201-277
Mr Wyborn 240 Court Road 8851 1524
Court Road (even) 202-286
Mrs Jones 260 Court Road 8857 8712
Cross Mead (odd & even)
Mrs Abrahams 21 Lavidge Road 8857 2407
Downleys Close
Mr Hill 53 Leysdown Road 8857 3798
Hartsmead Road
Mr Hill 53 Leysdown Road 8857 3798
Lavidge Road (odd & even)
Mrs Abrahams 21 Lavidge Road 8857 2407
Leysdown Road (odd & even)
Mr Hill 53 Leysdown Road 8857 3798
Margaret Gardner Drive
Mrs Henderson 10 Birbetts Road 8857 5800
Ministry Way
Mrs Henderson 10 Birbetts Road 8857 5800
Mottingham Road 127-205
Mrs Henderson 10 Birbetts Road 8857 5800
Sidcup Road 522-620
Mr Tunstall 65 Leysdown Road 8857 4225