

# Richmond upon Thames Community Safety Partnership Newsletter January 2011



## Introduction

Welcome to the January edition of the Richmond upon Thames Community Safety Partnership newsletter for partners and residents involved in reducing crime, anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime in Richmond upon Thames. This is the second newsletter, the purpose of which is to provide readers with headline stories about local, regional and national community safety news items, events and consultations in an easy to read format. If you have any comments please e-mail David Noakes at [d.noakes@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:d.noakes@richmond.gov.uk) or telephone me on 0208 891 7214.



## Richmond upon Thames News

- **Lock it or Lose it Campaign Success** Since the launch of the bike marking campaign in October to reduce cycle theft in hotspots around the Borough over 100 bikes have been security marked at a series of road shows in Richmond, Twickenham and Hampton. The campaign has also had an early success with a woman whose bike was stolen outside her home being reunited with her bike several weeks later because it had been security marked. For details of event locations in January please go to the **dates for your diary** section of this newsletter or go to [www.richmond.gov.uk/operation\\_lockout](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/operation_lockout)
- **Young People Commended for Alcohol and Drug Awareness Project** Six young people have picked up awards for their contribution to an alcohol and drug awareness peer programme. The Juice Dawgz programme was run by Richmond Council and involved the participants creating information cards and a DVD, highlighting the dangers that alcohol and drugs can pose. The project saw those taking part working with schools and youth clubs to run workshops for pupils around the issues.
- **Operation Lockout** For details of event locations in January please go to the **dates for your diary** section of this newsletter or go to [www.richmond.gov.uk/operation\\_lockout](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/operation_lockout)



## News from Parliament

- **New Powers to Stop Gang Violence** Crime Prevention Minister James Brokenshire has announced new “gang injunctions” will be available from next month. The court orders are designed to break down gang culture by imposing prohibitions and requirements such as barring individuals from entering a certain geographical area, being in public with a particular species of animal, for example a dog which has been used as a weapon, or wearing certain “gang colours” in public. Lasting for up to 2 years, gang injunctions can be applied for by the police or local authorities and will be issued by the courts. The new power will be available from 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011.
- **Police Reform and Social Responsibility Bill** In the Queen’s Speech the government announced the introduction of legislation that would make the police service more accountable to local people and tackle alcohol related violence. The bill, which was introduced in the House of Commons on the 30<sup>th</sup> November, includes proposals to replace police authorities with directly elected police and crime commissioners from May 2012 (except London), overhauling the Licensing Act to give more powers to local authorities and the police to tackle any premises

that are causing problems and introducing a system of temporary bans for new psychoactive substances.

- **ID Cards Scrapped** ID cards have been scrapped by the government after the Identity Documents Bill received Royal Assent. This means that all ID cards will now be cancelled within one month and the National Identity Register, the database which contains information of card holders, will be destroyed within two months.



## Awards

- **Mayor's Safer Parks Awards 2011/12** A reminder that the deadline for the receipt of applications for the Mayor's Safer Parks Awards is the **31<sup>st</sup> January 2011**. It is open to parks across London up to 400 hectares. For more information go to: <http://www.london.gov.uk/priorities/priorities/crime-community-safety/mayors-safer-parks-award>



## Dates for Your Diary in January 2011

- **Lock it or Lose it events (bike marking and health checks for your bikes)**  
**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January** at Teddington Station, Richmond (2-5:30pm)  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January** outside Boots in Broad Street, Teddington (4-7pm)
- **Operation Lockout events (crime prevention information, bike and phone marking)**  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January** Quadrant (outside Tesco's) George Street, Richmond (12-2pm)  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January** Entrance to Sainsbury's, Manor Circus, Richmond (11-2pm)
- **Community and Police Partnership Meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011** at 7pm in York House, Twickenham (bi-monthly public meeting of the community, police and council. All welcome)



## Consultations

- **All in One Consultation Update** Over 11,000 people responded to the Council's All in One survey in November and December. The purpose of the survey is to find out people's priorities for the areas where they live and to better understand how residents would like to be involved in shaping and delivering services. The consultation is now closed.
- **MET Forward** Met Forward, which is the Metropolitan Police Authority's three year strategic mission for London's police supporting the Authority's oversight and scrutiny functions of the Metropolitan Police Service and ensuring that key priorities are delivered, is seeking views from the public about how they can improve on the delivery of Met Forward. If you would like to take part go to the following page <http://www.mpa.gov.uk/publications/metforward/telluswhatyouthink/>