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Dear all,

Hope you're all well.

Just an update as what's been happening locally over the past few weeks.

There have been a small number of burglaries whereby method of entry has been through back windows and in a couple of cases climbing up on to roofs. Items stolen have been again jewellery and money.

Consider your security, take a look from a burglars perspective, easy points of entry, climbing tools, dark corners, garden security, front door locks , window locks and the like.

There have been reports of vehicles being stolen including Lexus and Range Rover models. Consider using steering wheel/gear locks, keep keyless car keys away from the front of the house, consider foil lined pouches to keep them in.

After reports of catalytic convertors (from Toyota and Hondas mainly), 3 males were arrested and charged after being pursued on the A316 ( St Margaret's area)about a week ago. Since then we haven't had any reports. Contact your dealer/garage for any advice.

There have been a couple reports of the cash machines in the village being tampered with, when using please be mindful of who is around you, check the cash machine before inserting your card and cover when entering your pin.

This [Link](#) has some good visual aids and advice.

As you would have known a couple of months back we had the parking machine scam, we have had reports from colleagues in Wandsworth that they have had various reports, individuals seen at the time have been smartly dressed or in some cases wearing a parking attendant type uniform, again be aware when using parking machines and do not accept any help.

As you know scams are ever evolving and prevalent, see the attached article and clip from last night's Martin Lewis Money which has some useful advice: [here](#).

I also met with Trading Standards today, they offer presentations on various topics including scams . I am currently seeking some venues that may be suitable and hope to arrange one going forwards.

Our next contact sessions are on :

Saturday 29th February, Starbucks, Kew Village 11am, Saturday 7th March, The National Archives 2pm, Friday 13th March, 4pm Starbucks, Kew Village and our next PLG is 30th April , 7.30pm at The National Archives.

Hope you find this useful, any feedback let me know.

Kind regards

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