**BRITANNIA SQUARE RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION 2021**

**Neighbourhood Watch Report 2020-21**

Introduction

We have an active Neighbourhood Watch scheme registered with the national organisation known as the Neighbourhood Watch Network (NWN). Anyone living in Britannia Square, Albany Terrace or Stephenson Terrace can participate. Membership is not limited to those who belong to the Britannia Square Residents' Association (BSRA).

How the scheme works

Neighbourhood Watch alert messages relevant to the area are sent out by email from the Scheme Co-ordinator. Alerts are also posted on the B-SquOSH WhatsApp group. Information is sourced from residents who have raised a concern and from reports issued by West Mercia Police’s Neighbourhood Matters messaging service, launched earlier this year.

Police involvement

Our Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) is a group of local police officers dedicated to serving our community. The team is made up of officers and police community support officers (PCSOs). For details of the Cathedral Ward SNT and crime reports see

<https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/west-mercia-police/cathedral/?yourlocalpolicingteam=yourteam>

Our Neighbourhood Watch Scheme Co-ordinator attends the quarterly Cathedral Ward PACT meetings (Partners And Communities Together), when held. Prior to March 2020, PACT meetings were organised jointly between the local policing team, local City and County Councillors and representatives of local residents to allow the community to raise issues important to them. For the past 18 months, meetings have been suspended and information shared with PACT members via email. The next meeting is due to be held on 29 November.

Membership & how to join

Currently fewer than half of eligible households in Britannia Square, Albany Terrace and Stephenson Terrace have chosen to receive Neighbourhood Watch alerts. Membership has reduced significantly since 2017 (mainly due to GDPR) so we would welcome new or returning members. If you would like to receive alerts, please provide an email address to me at csinman4@gmail.com

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