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# Security van robbery in High Road

By John Dearing

Robbers stole cash from two security guards as they made a delivery to the Abbey branch in the High Road on Monday 30 October.

The guards had pulled up in a transit van and parked outside the bank at approximately 8.50pm. As one guard got out carrying a cash box, his colleague remained in the van.

A man with a hooded top ran up behind the guard on the pavement and struck him with a weapon. After a struggle the suspect stole a cash box containing money.

The suspect, described only as a black male, made off, getting into the passenger side of a small, dark saloon vehicle. Another suspect was driving the vehicle as it sped off the wrong way down one-way Beresford Road. The guard was not seriously injured in the attack.

Anyone who witnessed the robbery is asked to call Finchley Flying Squad on 020 8358 1751 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

# Car thieves on the prowl

By John Dearing

Following our report last month about a gang of car thieves targeting vehicles in and around East End Road, a reader has informed us that in the early hours of Sunday 12 November, a young man was seen walking up Springcroft Avenue with a small torch, looking into every car, probably for valuables to steal.

The police have been informed but, as ever, you are advised never to leave anything inside your car on view, valuable or otherwise, as the cost of replacing broken car windows will usually greatly exceed the value of items stolen.

# Burglar's cruel charade

By John Dearing

A burglar staged an elaborate charade to rob an 84-yearold woman in her own home. The incident happened on Wednesday 25 October at 12.15pm in Trinity Road, East Finchley.

A man called at the victim's home claiming that there had been a boiler explosion in the area and that two people had been taken to hospital. He said he would need to check the victim's water pressure.

Once inside the pensioner's home, the man asked her to fill pans with water, as the water supply might have to be cut off. While she began to fill her saucepans, he said that he would check the pressure on the central heating.

After a few minutes the man

saidhe was leaving and that "his colleague" would return within two hours to check the water pressure. Neither the man nor any "colleague" returned and the victim discovered that £40 cash had been stolen.

The suspect is described as a white male, aged 30, 5ft 8ins tall with short dark brown hair and wearing a navy jumper. If anyone has any information about this incident please contact the Burglary Unit on 020 8733 4595 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

## Planning Applications

### **Barnet Council:**

3 Trinity Avenue, N2

Single-storey side extension, following demolition of garage and outbuildings.

6 Chamberlain Road, N2

Loft conversion, involving formation of rear and back addition dormers.

14 Lankaster Gardens, N2 Rear conservatory

53 Summerlee Avenue, N2 New rear dormer window and side extension to existing residential property.

41 Huntingdon Road, N2 Roof extension.

127 High Road, N2

Retention of replacement shop windows, lowering of sills, installation of shutters and awnings. Common walkway in vicinity of flats 127 & 128 Old Farm Road,

Strawberry Vale Estate, N2 Replacement of lift machine room access ladder.

**Green Man Community Centre,** Strawberry Vale, N2

New hard and soft landscaping to create a community garden next to the Green Man Community Centre, including new walls, railings, patios, lawns and flowerbeds.

Kenmore House, 58 The Bishop's Avenue, N2

Partial demolition of existing house, followed by restoration and extension

#### Oak Lodge School, Heath View, N2

Two single-storey classroom extensions (44m sq and 49m sq). Re-use existing external

#### UPVC sections. Correction

Aplanning application listed in our November edition for 55 Leicester Road, N2, was never granted and not even applied for by the property's owners. The error was in Barnet Council's original list.

#### **Haringey Council:** 188 Creighton Avenue N2

Erection of additional first floor and extension at ground floor level to existing building. Conversion of garage to habitable living space. Alterations to elevations. 35 Beacon Lodge, Eastern

Road N2 Erection of single storey rear extension.

#### 28 Beech Drive N2

Erection of single storey rear extension and rear dormer window with balustrade.

49 Fordington Road N6

Erection of single storey rear extension.

### 20 Church Vale N2

Retrospective planning application for retention of rear dormer window with terrace.

35 Creighton Avenue N10

Erection of rear dormer window with balustrade.

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