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Faults on the line in Fordington Road

By Ann Bronkhorst

Copper is valuable, as residents of Fordington Road discovered to their cost when thieves stole some British Telecom copper cable overnight.

Residents woke on Monday 7 April to find that their telephone and internet connections did not work. When BT was contacted, says one resident, the initial response was that the fault lay "within the house". Neighbours soon established that the whole road was affected, however.

The thieves got access to the underground cable from somewhere in the Woodside Avenue area.

A Distribution Point (green box) in Lanchester Road was open, with cut wires strewn around and looking, one resident said, "as if someone had taken an axe to it".

Communications were disrupted for at least 70 households for most of the week, so residents who work from home lost precious time and money. At the time of writing, BT engineers were still working to resolve the

remaining problems.

In fact, thefts of copper cable are decreasing as fibre is steadily replacing copper in the access network, apart from the 'drop wire' (the final section leading to the customer's premises).

Accident on the High Road

On Thursday 3 April at 4.10pm, there was a collision between a blue Nissan Micra and a red Honda motor-bike on the High Road outside the Hollywood Bowl, Leisure Way, N12. The emergency helicopter and a traffic unit arrived shortly afterwards.

The victim, a 29 year-old man, was taken to a London hospital. At the time of going to press, he was reported to be in a stable condition and his injuries were neither life changing nor life threatening.

Summers Lane, the High

Police want to water down burglary

A new system to deter thieves and burglars is being installed in properties in Barnet. SmartWater uses chemically enhanced water to help safeguard property.

Burglars are sprayed with an indelible water solution, which can later be detected and traced back to its source, much like DNA profiling.

Barnet Police say SmartWater is just one of the tactics they are employing to target criminals. Burglary, they say, is a priority crime and every

allegation will be investigated.

Detective Superintendent David Tucker said Barnet Borough had a high residential population, with areas of high deprivation, but police were committed to targeting crime across the whole region. In the past three months there have been 115 arrests for burglaries in Barnet Borough.

There has been a 7.8% increase in burglaries this year but Barnet Borough Commander Stephen Kavanagh noted that this came after a 16% decrease in burglaries in 2006.

He said: "We would like to remind people of the importance of remaining vigilant. Keep your keys in a safe place away from doors and windows, which should be locked to deter burglars from temptation."

Planning Applications

Barnet Council
East Finchley Cemetery Lower Chapel, East End Road, N2
Replacement of existing roof slates to both pitches including the replacement of felt, battens and provision of insulation. No increase in height of the roof.
East Finchley Station, N2
Fitting of 'stick on' tactile tiles to platform surface behind coping stones.
8 The Bishops Avenue, N2
Erection of low front boundary wall

with brick piers and two gates.
48 Church Lane, N2
First floor rear extension.
80 High Road, N2
Formation of additional floor and single storey rear extension and conversion of upper floors to three self-contained flats.
6 Ossulton Place, 148 East End Road, N2
Single storey rear extension and alterations to roof including rear and side dormers to facilitate a loft conversion.

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