



Sanderstead Update November 2018



Dear Ward Member

Welcome to the latest edition of the Sanderstead update. We would like to give you an update about crime and policing information in the Sanderstead area, which also includes parts of Selsdon and Hamsey Green.

Local police officers together with the ward panel members for Sanderstead have set three 'ward promises'. These promises are what your local policing team will focus their efforts on in order to reduce crime in the area.



CONTACT POINTS

The team will be hosting a number of contact points across the ward. These meetings are face to face sessions that members of the public can attend and discuss any concerns they may have.

Please see dates, times and locations:

Priscilla's Tea Room,
52 Limpsfield Road, on
Wed 12th December at 11am – 12pm

Sanderstead Library,
Farm Fields, CR2 OHL on
Tues 18th December at 11am - 12pm

Waitrose,
87 Limpsfield Road, on
Thurs 27th December at 3pm - 4pm

Fraud & Scams Event
All Saints Church Hall, Onslow
Gardens on Thursday 6th December
at 1pm – 3pm

Ward Panel Public Meeting'
Riddlesdown Collegiate, CR8 1EX on
Thursday 31st January 2019 at 6.30pm

PROMISES

Burglary - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of **8 Residential** and **0 Business & Community** Burglaries. This month all of the burglaries have been accessed via the rear of the property. If you have a side access route to the back of your garden, make it as difficult as possible to access. Look to add a trellis, this will increase the height and act as a deterrent. Burglars like to gain access through the back door/window of the property as they are unlikely to be seen.

One property had thousands of pounds in cash taken from the property. We would always advise residents to never leave any quantity of money within your home. If you do keep cash, valuables, gold/jewelry, sentimental items at home look to purchase a safe. Please read the link regarding safes.

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/residential-burglary/home-safes/>

Arrest - Police were called to an address in Sanderstead. The victim stated that he had live CCTV footage of a male entering his property. The suspect left within minutes of being in the property. Police circulated the description of the suspect to others units. Officers found the suspect and property belonging to the victim. The suspect was arrested.

Motor Vehicle Crime - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of **10 'Theft from / of Motor Vehicle'** All of the vehicles were broken into overnight. The theft from motor vehicle offences had various items stolen. Items such as mobile phones, laptops, power tools, blue badges and purses/wallets containing credits cards & cash. It's surprising to see such high valued items left within the vehicles. It goes without saying that you should never LEAVE items within your vehicles, even if they are out of sight within your boot or glove compartment. These are quick cash items and are irresistible to the opportunist thief.

Youth & Elderly Engagement – We delivered a presentation at Riddlesdown Collegiate as part of our 'staying safe online' campaign. We prepared and presented a talk on 'Cyber Crime, Bullying and Gangs' to 300 year 7 students. The event gave us the opportunity to interact and educate the students.

Fraud – The team visits all victims of fraud. A resident received a phone call from someone claiming to be from HMRC. The caller stated that the victim is to pay £950 or someone will come by and collect her vehicle and belongings. Caller has then instructed the victim to buy various sums of iTunes vouchers from different stores. The caller gave the victim a time frame to buy the vouchers and that he will call back to retrieve the codes. For a time the victim believed the ruse, Fortunately once the caller got off the phone, the victim went to Croydon police station and reported it. This is an examples the lengths these fraudsters will go to. Thankfully on this occasion the victim realised the deception.

The team will be running a **Fraud&Scams Event** on 6th December at All Saints Church from 1pm-3pm.

OTHER NEWS

Drug Stops - The team continues to work hard to reduce all forms of Anti-Social Behaviour on the ward. The team regularly patrols areas that have had ASB/drug related issues in the past. During our routine ASB patrols, the team stopped and searched a group of youths in Wettern Tree Gardens. As a result of the searches the team found a quantity of cannabis in the youth's possession. The youths details recorded are now recorded on our database. We visited the youth's home addresses and notified their parents.

Christmas Advice - In December, there is traditionally an increase in burglary across London. To reduce the chance of becoming a victim, the Met is advising people to keep gifts and valuables out of view of the window, and consider using a timer to turn on lights or your TV if you're out to make it appear like your home is occupied. You should also take care on social media by not showing you are somewhere else or posting a countdown to a winter holiday. After Christmas, boxes and rubbish should be disposed of discreetly, so as not to give away the fact you have valuable items in the house.

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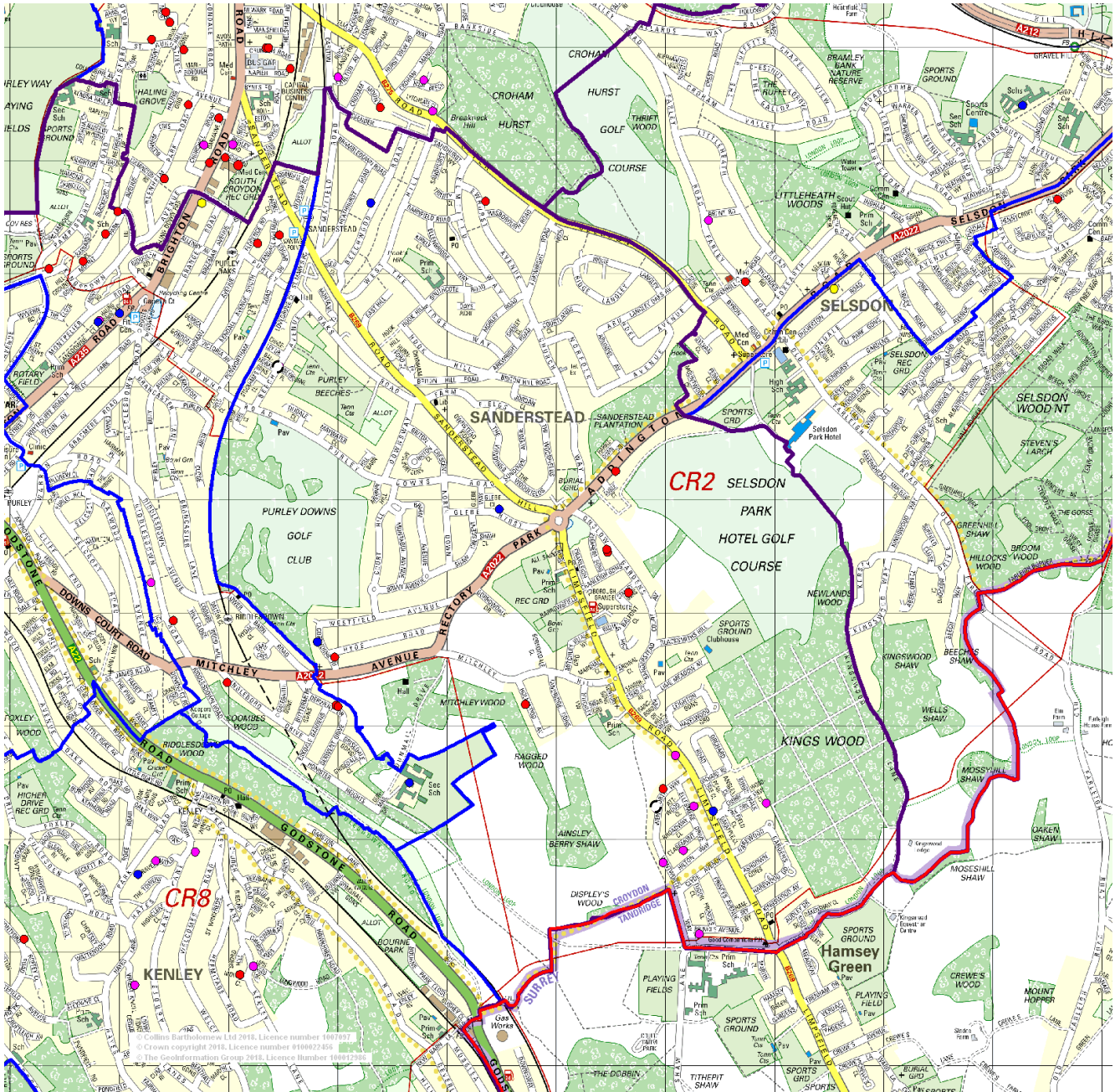
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The new number
to call to contact
your local police

DIAL
101

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Monthly Crime Map



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL	●	8
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	●	0
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	●	6
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	●	4

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