

Sanderstead Update December 2016



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.

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.

PROMISES

Burglary - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of 7 residential (•) and non-residential (•) burglaries as marked on the map above. I have circled in red where majority of the offences have taken place in Sanderstead, Selsdon, Purley and Kenley. These burglaries have all been accessed through the rear of the property. If you have a side access route to your back garden, make it as difficult as possible to access. Burglars like to gain access through the back door/window of a property as they are unlikely to be seen. Burglars like to be in and out as quickly as possible so they tend to target small valuable items such as gold or jewellery. Burglars know that gold/jewellery is generally kept in the bedroom, so try to keep your valuable items somewhere else. Consider installing home security, such as burglar alarms or CCTV.

We aim to visit all burglary victims within 24 hours, to ensure we record and use information for intelligence purposes to prevent future offences. We will continue to liaise with Surrey police and surrounding SNT's to combat any cross-ward and cross-borough burglary issues.

Motor vehicle crime - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of **5** 'Thefts from motor vehicle' as marked on the map above (•). The suspect(s) have searched the glove boxes, boot and other storage compartments and removed various items left within the vehicles, including Christmas presents. These crimes have been taking place during the middle of the night.

Always lock the doors and activate any security devices when leaving your car unattended, even if only for a few minutes. Never leave your keys unattended in the car. Remove as many valuables and tools as you can from you vehicle, including from the boot, when the vehicle is parked up overnight.

ASB in parks and open spaces - I am glad to report there have been very few ASB issues over the Christmas and New Year period. The team continues to work hard to reduce all forms of Anti-Social Behaviour on the ward. Always seek assistance from the Police and Local Authority who are working in partnership to tackle Anti-Social Behaviour in your community. Do not try and tackle problems on your own.

MEETINGS

The next '**Drop in Surgery**' will be held at Sanderstead Library, Farm Fields, South Croydon CR2 0HL on Friday 20th January at 11.00am.

The next 'Ward Panel Public Meeting' will be held at Riddlesdown Collegiate, Honister Heights on Thursday 16th February at 6.30pm

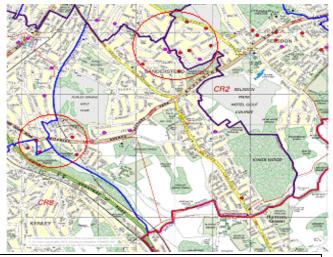
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OTHER NEWS

We welcome Chief Superintendent Jeff Boothe, who has taken over as the new Borough Commander for Croydon. Jeff joined the Metropolitan Police after 24 years service with British Transport Police. He has joined us from Bexley where he was the Borough Commander since May 2015. Jeff also lives in Croydon, which gives him inside knowledge to the borough.



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