



Sanderstead Update

December 2020



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.



GUIDANCE AROUND CORONAVIRUS

National Lockdown: Stay at Home

- Coronavirus (COVID19) is spreading fast.
- Do not leave your home unless necessary.
- 1 in 3 people who have the virus have no symptoms, so you could be spreading it without knowing it.

You must stay at home. The single most important action we can all take is to stay at home to protect the NHS and save lives.

You should follow this guidance immediately. This is [the law](#).

You may leave the home to:

- shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home
- exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person, this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.
meet your [support bubble](#) or [childcare bubble](#) where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one
- seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse) attend education or childcare - for those eligible

PROMISES

Motor Vehicle Crime

In December, 8 **Theft from Motor Vehicles** and 4 **Theft of Motor Vehicles** took place.

We continue to see a catalytic converters being stolen. Specific vehicles are being targeted, Hondas', and Toyota Prius & Arius', older generation hybrid type vehicles. This is because they run on electricity and fuel, meaning that the catalytic converters are less corroded from heat and have a higher quantity of precious metals.

The suspects work in groups of 3/4. They sometimes carry weapons, so please do not approach and call 999 immediately. The noise has been describe as a very loud angle grinder or saw like sound which can last 20 seconds to a minute. Don't assume it is builders. These thieves don't always work under the cover of darkness but hiding in plain sight, in daylight with many cars and pedestrians around. Suspects something leave items behind such as gloves, facemasks and tools. Please do not touch these.

Keyless car crime is also on the up. If you have a 'keyless entry' car then make sure your keys are kept well away from doors and windows. Look to keep your car key in a screened box/tin/bag so that the signal can't be 'copied' and used to open your car – and don't forget to do the same with any spare set. Store the car keys

Burglary

In December, 4 **Residential** and 2 **Business & Community** Burglaries took place. A warning to residents to be vigilant if they get unexpected callers to their home, during Covid you may have noticed that all companies in relation to deliveries are maintaining socially distance where possible and most companies that once relied on door to door enquires have ceased this so if you are not expecting a visitor or a large item to be delivered then query this persons motives and remember if you are not happy to open your door then don't and speak to them through the door if they provide resistance in leaving and you are feeling that you require the assistance of the police there is the 101 number for non emergencies and 999 if you require our immediate assistance.

In relation to unexpected callers at the address this is known as a distraction burglary is where someone calls at your home posing to be someone they're not. They then make up a story to get into your home.

In most cases legitimate callers will carry ID and relevant paperwork. Most will wait patiently and be willing to answer any questions about their visit. It is also good practice among many organisations to ring and make an appointment beforehand rather than turn up at your doorstep unannounced.

On one occasion this month a male claiming to be from a charity selling household goods for which he requested payment by bank transfer to a personal account. Victim sent money online, the victim checked online and there were two warnings from other forces for the same "charity" confirming it was not real. Next day victim has realised that the man who came to the door also entered the home address and took a money box with cash inside.

Speeding Awareness

We are listening to residents feedback about the potential speeding issues within the Sanderstead area. We are conducting regularly speed checks and educating those drivers who are speeding. We will now be able to get out on the roads more often and catch drivers speeding in the area and we will now be able to issue fines or court summons for those who are caught speeding and we hope this will also act as a deterrent for drivers in the area and make our roads safer.

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You can now follow us on [NextDoor.co.uk](https://www.nextdoor.co.uk)

If you would like to receive the monthly update and get the latest statistics and information in Sanderstead, please email the team and ask to be on our mailing

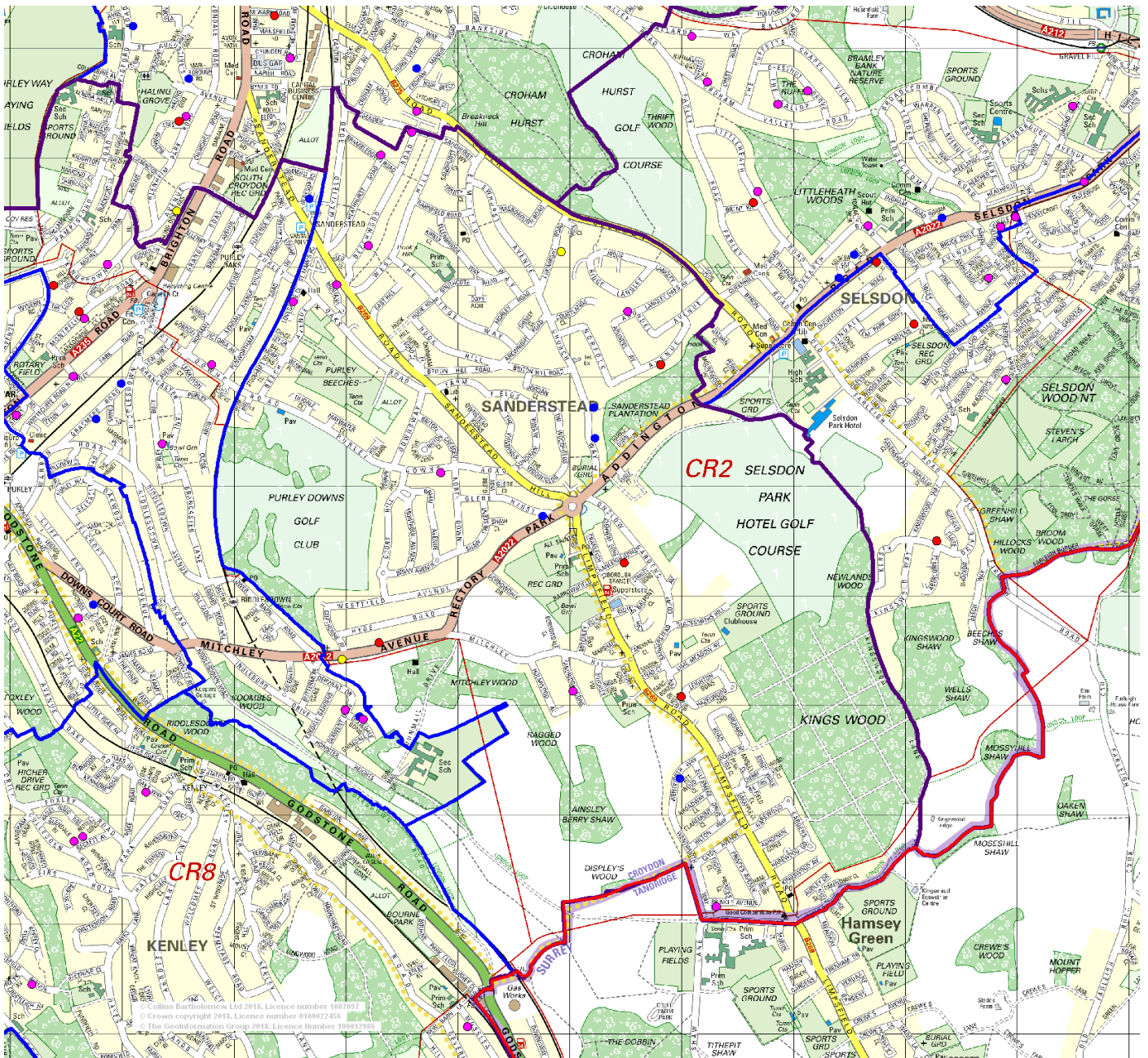
In an emergency,
always dial 999

999

The new number
to call to contact
your local police

DIAL
101

Monthly Crime Map



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL	●	4
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	●	2
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	●	9
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	●	4

Burglary Crimes

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Residential Burglary	17/12/2020 13:00:00	18/12/2020 15:00:00	CRANLEIGH GARDENS	Suspect(s) have broken in through the back door. Jewellery taken from the bedroom.
Distraction Residential Burglary	15/12/2020 17:25:00	15/12/2020 17:40:00	MITCHLEY AVENUE	Male claiming to be from a charity selling household goods for which he requested payment by bank transfer to a personal account. Victim sent money online. The victim checked online and there were two warnings from other forces for the same "charity" confirming it was not real. Next day victim has realised that the man who came to the door also entered the home address and took a money box with cash
Residential Burglary	23/12/2020 20:00:00	23/12/2020 20:15:00	NORFOLK AVENUE,	Suspect(s) have broken the side gate lock, an outbuilding was accessed and a bottle of vodka was taken
Residential Burglary	29/12/2020 18:35:00	29/12/2020 18:35:00	HILLSMEAD WAY	Suspect(s) have broken in through the back door. Two laptops were taken and Jewellery valuing £25,000.

Motor Vehicle Crimes

Theft from a Motor Vehicle

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft from MV	04/01/2021 17:18:00	04/01/2021 17:26:00	BEECHWOOD ROAD	Catalytic converter from a Honda
Theft from MV	04/01/2021 22:00:00	05/01/2021 18:00:00	PURLEY DOWNS ROAD	Catalytic converter from a Honda Civic
Theft from MV	08/12/2020 18:30:00	08/12/2020 18:35:00	KIRKLY CLOSE	Catalytic converter from a Honda Civic
Theft from MV	06/12/2020 20:00:00	07/12/2020 00:00:00	MONTANA CLOSE	Catalytic converter stolen
Theft from MV	16/12/2020 17:00:00	16/12/2020 19:00:00	BRAMBLEDOWN ROAD	Catalytic converter from a Honda
Theft from MV	17/12/2020 19:00:00	17/12/2020 19:05:00	BEECHWOOD ROAD	Catalytic converter from a Mazda MX-5
Theft from MV	18/12/2020 17:30:00	18/12/2020 17:36:00	ARUNDEL AVENUE	Catalytic converter from a Honda Civic
Theft from MV	22/12/2020 17:00:00	22/12/2020 22:50:00	TANDRIDGE GARDENS	Catalytic converter from a Toyota Prius

Theft of a Motor Vehicle

Theft of MV	04/12/2020 01:00:00	04/12/2020 08:09:00	THE WINDINGS	Land Rover Discovery stolen from the driveway. Keyless theft
Theft of MV	23/12/2020 22:00:00	24/12/2020 08:10:00	GLEBE HYRST	BMW M3 stolen from the street outside the victims address. Keyless theft
Theft of MV	23/12/2020 21:41:00	24/12/2020 09:00:00	CHURCH WAY	Land Rover Evoque stolen from the driveway. Keyless theft
Theft of MV	26/12/2020 20:00:00	29/12/2020 12:00:00	CHURCH WAY	BMW M3 stolen from the street outside the victims address. Keyless theft