

# Sanderstead Update SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS LOCAL POLICE, LOCAL KNOWLEDGE



#### **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 POINT**

Contact points are face to face sessions that members of the public can attend and discuss any concerns you may have. We will be look following the guild lines that have been set out by the government. Please see dates, times and locations.

> Priscilla's Tea Room Limpsfield Road Wednesday 18th May at 12pm

**Ward Panel Meeting** Riddlesdown Collegiate, Conference room Monday 23rd May at 6pm

# **PRIORITIES**

#### **Burglary**

In April ,5 Residential and 1 Business & Community Burglaries took place.

Even through there were 5 residential burglaries, only 1 was broken into and had items taken. If you have a side access route to the back of your garden, make it as difficult as possible to access. DO NOT leave your bins at the front of properties. This gives burglars an easy way to get into your garden. By using the bins they can use it as a step and hop over your side gate or fence.

Look to add a trellis to the side access. 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. Burglars like to be in and out of the property as quickly as possible so they tend to target small valuable items such as Gold or Jewellery. Don't leave your valuables by the front door or on show such as handbags, wallets, keys etc. Store away in a stay safe out of sight.

#### **Motor Vehicle Crime**

In April, 6 Theft from Motor Vehicles and 1 Theft of Motor Vehicles took place.

We continue to see catalytic converters being targeted. 5 out of 6 theft from motor vehicle crimes were catalytic converter thefts. Older Hybrid type vehicles are most commonly targeted, but any vehicle can be at risk of catalytic converter theft. These criminals are in teams of 3/4 with cloned plates usually with a 'weapon' to intimidate victims. The plates are frequently swapped after offences with some cars having multiple cloned plates. DO NOT ATTEMPT to approach these criminals call 999 at the earliest opportunity. To keep your catalytic converter safe, you can ask your car dealer for advice on locks or guards that are approved by the vehicle manufacturer and tested to Sold Secure Gold.

#### Homelessness/Begging

The team continues to monitor the group of shops by Sanderstead Station, we are working with our sister team, Purley Oaks and Riddlesdown SNT who cover the group of shops and Station. These males appear to be homeless, but in fact these males have a home where they are cared for. We are working with the manager of the home with any issues raised to us. We had now a meeting with the staff and local residents. The shops have all been visited and are aware of the situation. If you have any concerns, please contact the team.

# **CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE**

#### **Burglary**

https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crimeprevention/protect-home-crime/

#### **Motor Vehicle Crime**

https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crimeprevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/vehiclesafe-and-sound/

#### Report a crime online

https://www.met.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/ af/how-to-report-a-crime/

# **OTHER NEWS**

#### **Catalytic Converter Marking Event**

Free Marking kits for catalytic converters which we hope will act as a deterrent, but also means that if they are stolen, we can identify which vehicle they were stolen from

> Car Park of Waitrose, Main Road, Biggin Hill, TN16 3BB Thursday 12th May 10.30am-2pm

The vehicles most frequently targeted include Hybrid and older models of Toyota, Honda and Lexus. Feel free to bring any vehicle and officers will assist. Please note that the smart liquid can only be applied to cold exhaust system.

#### Warrant

A Warrant was executed in South Croydon. The address is known for antisocial behaviour and drug related incidents. Our officers had a successful outcome and three people were arrested in regards to the ongoing matters. Thank you to members of the public for calling in, proving intelligences and assisting Police. Months of hard work has gone into this and we thank all those involved.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

Telephone - 0208 721 2470 (goes through to a mobile)

Email - SNMailbox.SandersteadSNT@met.police.uk

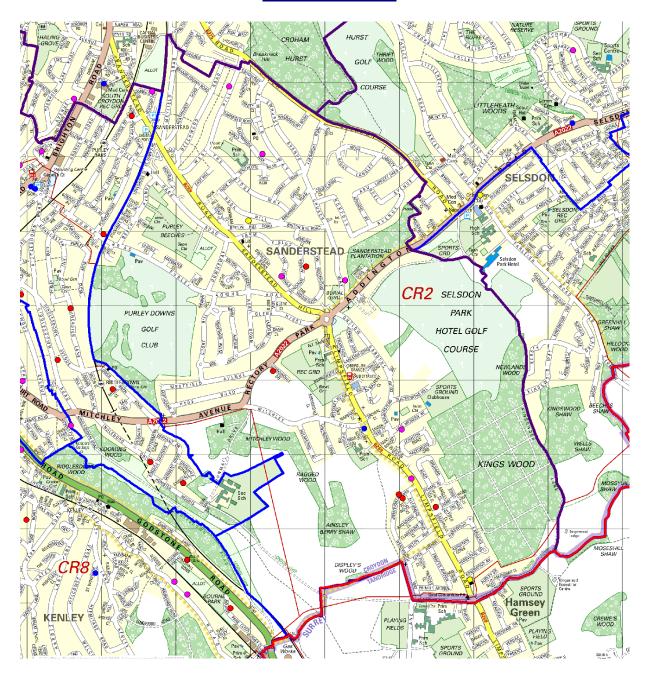
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## **Monthly Crime Map**



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL	•	5
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	0	1
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	•	6
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	•	1

You can find more statistics online via the links below:

https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/metropolitan-police-service/sanderstead/?tab=Statistics

# **Motor Vehicle Crimes**

## Theft from motor vehicle

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft from MV	26/04/2022 18:00:00	27/04/2022 13:50:00	CHURCH WAY	Both number plates taken off the vehicle
Theft from MV	29/04/2022 22:05:00	29/04/2022 22:10:00	BRITON CRESCENT	Three suspects carrying weapons removed the catalytic converter from a BMW and drove off in what was described as a dark coloured vehicle.
Theft from MV	29/04/2022 21:55:00		LIME MEADOW AVENUE	Three suspects removed the catalytic converter from a Honda Jazz and drove off towards Sanderstead Court Avenue
Theft from MV	29/04/2022 21:00:00	29/04/2022 22:00:00	THE WINDINGS	Catalytic converter stolen from a VW Beetle outside the victims address.
Theft from MV	02/05/2022 11:00:00	02/05/2022 11:30:00	ELLENBRIDGE WAY	Catalytic converter stolen from a BMW series 1 outside the victims address. 4 male suspects were seen by a neighbour no further descriptions.
Theft from MV	03/05/2022 00:05:00	03/05/2022 08:00:00	WEST HILL	Catalytic converter stolen from a BMW series 3 from the victims driveway

## Theft of motor vehicle

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft of MV		21/04/2022 09:20:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	BMW X5 Vehicle stolen overnight. Vehicle was parked outside on the road

# **Burglary**

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What happened
Attempt Residential Burglary	08/04/2022 17:00:00	11/04/2022 19:00:00	WENTWORTH WAY	Suspect(s) have has damaged the Rear kitchen window has whilst attempting to access the property. Side gate was left unlocked, this is how the suspects accessed the rear window. Nothing was taken and n suspects were seen.
Residential Burglary	21/04/2022 03:30:00	21/04/2022 08:26:00	WENTWORTH WAY	Suspect(s) have accessed via the front door of the property. Unknown how the suspects got in. Hang bag containing, cash, credit cards was taken. Victim believes the suspects were trying to get the car keys for the vehceil.
Business/ Commercial Burglary	24/04/2022 03:30:00	24/04/2022 03:30:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	Suspect(s) have smashed the front window of the store and have taken £150 in worth of alcohol.
Attempt Residential Burglary	29/04/2022 01:55:00		CHERRY TREE GREEN	Suspect(s) have has damaged the garage door whilst attempting to access the garage. A neighbour turned into the street and the suspects have then ran off getting into a grey Renault Trafic van which has drove off towards Limpsfield Road. No entry gained into the garage.
Attempt Residential Burglary	29/04/2022 01:07:00	29/04/2022 01:11:00	BORROWDALE DRIVE	Suspect(s) have has damaged the garage door whilst attempting to access the garage. Victim has reported that he was looking back over his CCTV and saw a male arrive in a Grey Van and get out walk up to his front door avoiding the Ring doorbell and try the Handle before walking back and pay attention to his vehicle.