

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

Waitrose,
87 Limpsfield Road, on
Tuesday 12th February at 1pm – 2pm

Sanderstead Library,
Farm Fields, CR2 OHL on
Saturday 23rd February at 11am-12pm

Ward Panel Public Meeting,
Riddlesdown Collegiate, CR8 1EX on
Monday 29th April 2019 at 6.30pm

Street Briefings

We are looking to host some street briefing sessions. This gives the residents an opportunity to come and speak to us about any concerns they have. Please see where we will be:

Saturday 23rd February
Court Hill— 12pm-12.30pm
Beechwood Road—12.30pm-1pm
Upper Selsdon Road— 1pm-1.30pm

PROMISES

Burglary - In January, Sanderstead had a total of **4 Residential and 0 Business & Community** Burglaries.

The burglaries that have taken place were all committed mid-week in the afternoon from 1pm-7pm. With parents doing the school runs and people at work, this becomes an opportunity for burglars to access your homes during this time. Be vigilant and secure your homes.

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. **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.

We have been working in partnership with our neighbouring wards teams and Surrey Police to help combat the rise in burglaries on the borders of Sanderstead.

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

Motor Vehicle Crime - In January, Sanderstead had a total of **8 'Theft from / of Motor Vehicle'**. We have seen a rise in M/V crime this month. The northern sector of the ward was the most affected. You can also see from the map that our neighbouring teams have also been affected. These offences took place at weekend to early parts of the week.

The theft from motor vehicle offences had various items stolen. Items such as an iPod, driving gloves, money (coins left in the car) and a catalytic converter. In particular trade vans with power tools have been targeted. Removing your tools maybe a chore, but the cost of replacing tools can run into the thousands and lots of insurance companies will not cover amounts running into this value.

It would also appear that they have been trying door handles and seeing if vehicles are unlocked. On two occasions this happened and the suspects stole items from the vehicle. Lock your vehicles, even if you have central locking make sure you manually check if the vehicle is locked.

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/theft-from-a-vehicle/>

Youth & Elderly Engagement – The team delivered a presentation to the pupils of Gresham Primary School. We prepared and presented a talk on 'the different roles within the Police'. We got to show off our uniform and equipment. We even managed to bring one of our Police carriers for the pupils to see. These type of events gives the pupils the chance to ask us any questions they have and meet face to face with their local police team. Educating youths at an early age and getting the right message out is important to us.

OTHER NEWS

Team Change — The team has gone through a recent change in management. Sgt Alex Adams has taken over from Sgt Paul Harrison, who has moved over to our operations room in Sutton. We wish him all the best.

Sgt Adam's said, "I have been in the police for 18 years and in that time I've been on response team, Town Centre team which encompassed a mixture of business partnership and local policing. I have been involved in many Street Duties courses where I have been involved in training probationers straight from training school. In addition to all these roles I was involved with the boroughs Police Cadets and was proud to run the Cadet programme for the last 4 years. This is another new challenge which I am looking forward to undertaking."

Drug Stops - The team regularly patrols areas that have had ASB/drug related issues. During our routine ASB patrols, the team stopped and searched two youths in a vehicle just outside of Wettern Tree Gardens. As a result of the searches the team found a small quantity of cannabis in their possession. As this was a first time offence, the youths were given a community resolution and removed from the area. Their details have now gone onto our system.

CONTACT DETAILS

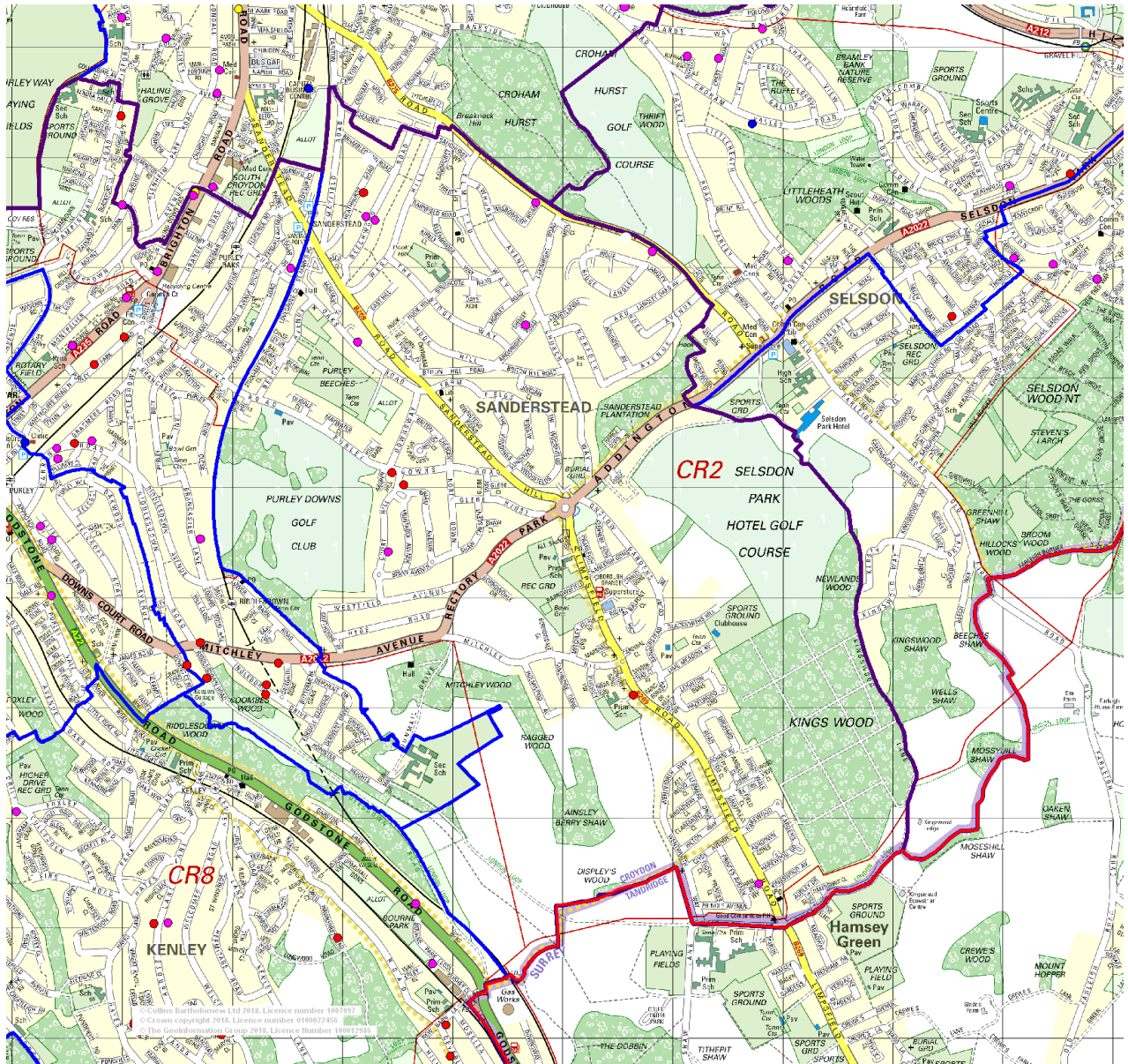
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Monthly Crime Map



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