

### 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 are slowly starting to bring back contact points. These meetings are face to face outdoor sessions that members of the public can attend and discuss any concerns you may have. We will be looking following the guidelines that have been set out by the government. Please see dates, times and locations.

**Outside Elmfield Way shops**  
Elmfield Way, South Croydon on  
Tuesday 25th July at 12pm-1pm

### GUIDANCE AROUND CORONAVIRUS

The government has announced some adjustments to the roadmap to recovery set out on 17th July. This is because we are starting to see warning signs that the virus may be growing again. We have always been clear that any planned changes are conditional and reviewed based on infection rates. We will continue to review these measures and set out further details of any changes.

The government has published guidance on [staying alert](#) and [staying safe outside your home](#).

Read more about what you can and can't do from the 31st July. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/31-july-announcement>

### PROMISES

**Burglary** - In July, 1 Residential and 0 Business & Community Burglaries took place.

We have seen just a single burglary this month. The suspect(s) used the side access to access the garden and managed to gain access via the patio windows. The suspect(s) took Jewellery and cash from the bedrooms. Car keys were also stolen and the victims Mercedes from the driveway.

High side and rear boundaries with trellis and spiky defensive planting; keep hedges, walls and fences around your back garden high (over 1.8 metres). Add lightweight trellis to gates and fences and plant some prickly plants to make it harder for burglars to climb over.

**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.

You can get plug-in timers for your lamps - and timers for your ceiling lights. Don't just light up the hall. Fool a burglar by lighting up the landing, bathroom, bedroom and living room too and vary the times for each light.

**Smart-Water**—the team have been working alongside the Smart Water team to offer anti-burglar kits to residents. During our visits to victims of burglary, we give each victim a kit. If you would like to receive one of these kits, please come along to one of the contact point sessions or get in touch with the team.

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

**Motor Vehicle Crime** - In July, 3 Theft from Motor Vehicles and 2 Theft of Motor Vehicles took place.

Two out of the three 'Theft from offences' Catalytic converters were taken. If you see any suspicious people crouching behind cars, go and disturb them (if it is safe). Thieves often double park next to cars and can be seen with car jacks. Another tell-tale sign is the loud noise the equipment makes removing the catalytic converter. Don't assume it is builders.

The two 'Theft of Offences' were keyless car thefts. Signal blocking pouches can stop access to your vehicle by blocking your car key fob from transmitting its code to the vehicle, as the pouches are lined with layers of metallic material. On some keyless fobs you are able to turn off the signal. Look to invest in a steering wheel lock. **DO NOT** leave your car keys at the front of the house. Store them somewhere at the back, far enough away so the signal can not be picked up. <https://www.locksmiths.co.uk/faq/keyless-car-theft/>

**Speed Awareness** - The Community Roadwatch team have been conducting speed checks along the road to assist with this matter and educate drivers. Residents can suggest a residential area or road where the community have concerns around speeding. [CommunityRoadwatch@met.police.uk](mailto:CommunityRoadwatch@met.police.uk)

We will be looking to proactively patrol areas/road identified and pull vehicle who we believe are speeding.

<https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/safety-and-security/road-safety/community-roadwatch>

### OTHER NEWS

**Team Change**—We welcome PC David Waters to team. PC Waters is new to the job and has come from Sutton Street Duties, where he has been gaining vital experience.

Dave said, "My name is David Waters and I am a new SNT officer for Sanderstead. I decided to join the Police as I'm looking forward to hopefully making a difference in the community and I like that fact that no one day will be the same and you get to meet different lots of different people from all walks of life".

**Arrest** - We have received reports of youths congregating in Kingwood Avenue by the Hamsey Green shop with a strong smell of cannabis. We responded to a call and managed to stop and search a further 3 males at the location. As a result of the searches the team found a quantity of cannabis in their possession. One of the males was arrested and the other two were brought to their home addresses and the parents were spoken too.

### CONTACT DETAILS

Telephone - 0208 721 2470

Email - [SNMailbox.SandersteadSNT@met.police.uk](mailto:SNMailbox.SandersteadSNT@met.police.uk)

Twitter @MPSSanderstead

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

*If you would 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 list .*

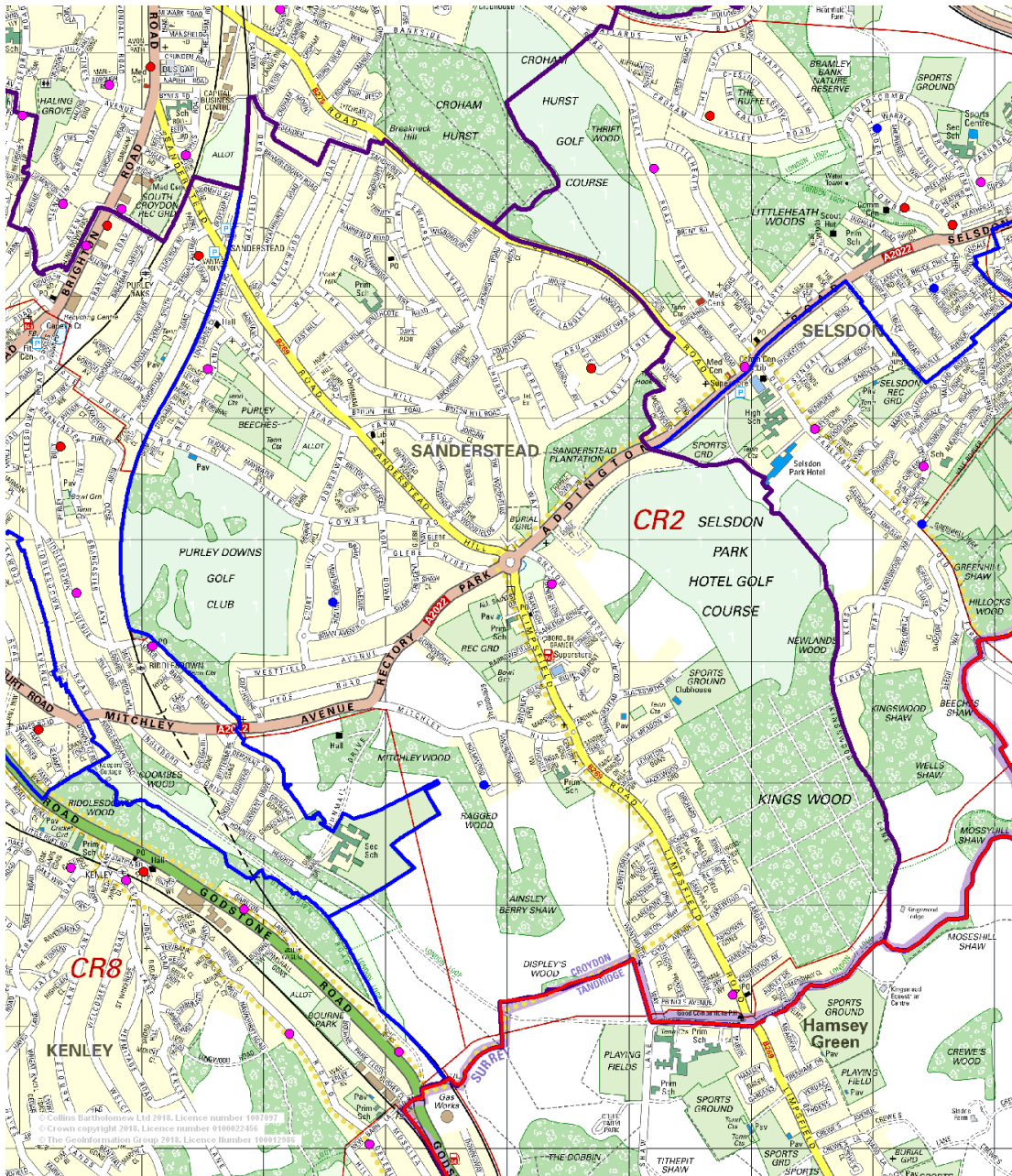
In an emergency,  
always dial 999





**999**

The new number  
to call to contact  
your local police

**DIAL  
101**

## Monthly Crime Map



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL		1
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY		0
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE		3
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE		2

### Burglary Crimes

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Burglary Resident	31/07/2020 17:00:00	31/07/2020 23:06:00	ARUNDEL AVENUE,	Jewellery and cash stolen from bedrooms. Vehicle was then taken from the driveway.

### Motor Vehicle Crimes Committed

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	Items taken
Theft from MV	24/07/2020 12:00:00	24/07/2020 15:00:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	Purse containing passports, sunglasses, driving license.
Theft from MV	30/07/2020 11:10:00	30/07/2020 12:00:00	BEECH AVENUE	Catalytic convertor from a Honda CR-V
Theft from MV	29/07/2020 15:45:00	29/07/2020 17:15:00	BLenheim GARDENS,	Catalytic convertor from a Honda Jazz

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	Type of vehicle
Theft of MV	18/07/2020 22:00:00	19/07/2020 08:30:00	MONTAGUE AVENUE,	BMW saloon
Theft of MV	20/07/2020 16:30:00	20/07/2020 22:15:00	HOLMWOOD AVENUE	Land Rover Discovery