



Sanderstead Update October 2016



Dear Sir or Madam

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 6 residential (●) and non-residential (●) burglaries as marked on the map above.

Over the last 3 months the majority of the burglaries have been whilst residents have gone away on holiday. With Christmas fast approaching and the likelihood of residents going away, we ask that you take extra precaution when leaving your homes.

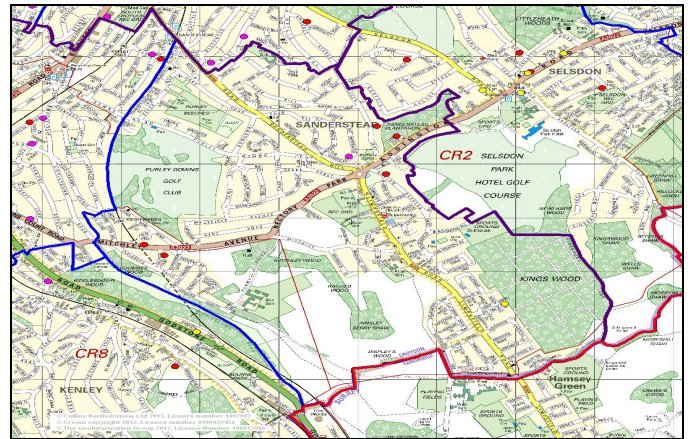
Remember to lock all of your doors and windows, set your burglar alarm and if you are friends with your neighbours you can inform them that you will be away and ask them to keep an eye on your property. If you would like us to check on your home, please get in touch with the team.

We aim to visit all burglary victims 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 such as our sister team Selsdon and Ballards SNT to combat the cross-ward and cross-borough burglary issues.

Motor vehicle crime - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of 1 'Thefts from motor vehicles' as marked on the map above (●).

The single offence that was committed was power tools taken from a trader van during the middle of the night. We ask that you be vigilant and don't leave any tools or valuables in your vehicles. We are deploying officers to affected areas of the ward to carry out extra patrols. Always lock your vehicles and use an alarm and immobilize.

ASB in parks and open spaces - There were several calls made to Police on Halloween in Sanderstead. One call was made to Sanderstead Recreation Ground where a group of youths were setting off fireworks in the direction of vehicles and members of the public. As the officers arrived on scene the youths began throwing fireworks at the Police vehicle. Officers pursued the individuals involved on foot and managed to detain and arrest one of youths.



OTHER NEWS

Clown Craze - Police were notified by Riddlesdown Collegiate that students were seeing people dressed in clown suits whilst en route to and from School. We worked closely with the School and patrolled the areas of the alleged sightings up to Halloween. During our patrols the team didn't come across any 'clown sightings'. For now the 'clown crazes' appears to have calmed down, but we will continue our patrols until the Firework periods have past.

Firework Advice - Out of courtesy give your neighbours, notice of your planned display - this is particularly important if they are elderly, have children or pets. Use appropriate fireworks - for your situation - when buying fireworks, try to avoid really noisy ones. Your firework supplier should be able to tell you what they are selling. Make sure pets and other animals are safely away from fireworks.

Consider the timing of your display. If you are using fireworks for a celebration. You should aim to ensure that they are finished by 11pm. It is an offence to let fireworks off (11pm-7am), except on Bonfire Night (midnight), Diwali, New Year and Chinese New Year (1am). For your safety, let off your fireworks in an open garden area - noise bounces off buildings and smoke and pollution can build up in enclosed spaces. If a neighbour complains that you are disturbing them, their pets or livestock, be considerate.

It is against the law to carry fireworks in public if you're under 18. If you see someone acting irresponsibly with fireworks call 101 or 999.

MEETINGS

The next 'Street Briefing' will be held at
Waitrose, Limsfield Road on
Saturday 5th November at 11.00am.

The next 'Ward Panel Public Meeting' will be held at
Riddlesdown Collegiate, Honister Heights on
Tuesday 22nd November at 6.30pm

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