

### 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 COVID-19

We understand people may be worried and seeking advice and information.

To help us keep our resources focused where they are most needed, we're asking everyone to please follow the 'stay at home' measures set out by the Government and use our online services where possible.

#### **Stay at home**

- Only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if you cannot work from home)
  - If you go out, stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people at all times
  - Wash your hands as soon as you get home
- Do not meet others

For FAQs around Covid-19 please click the link.

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

### PROMISES

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

Sanderstead hasn't had a single burglary this month. "Every cloud has a silver lining", during these difficult times I am glad to bring you some good news, but if we are to continue this trend, when we do eventually come out of this period. We need everyone to continue to take on board our crime prevention advice and to still be vigilant. As below here is a reminder.

Look to update your security. Do a walk-around of your house, think like a burglar. Focus on entry points such as doors and windows, and think about ways to make them more secure. Look for areas where a burglar might be able to hide.

We understand that with being at home daily it is easy to become complacent especially at this time when we are all having to stay at home but we want yourselves and your properties to remain safe.

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

**Motor Vehicle Crime** - In April, 1 Theft from Motor Vehicles and 1 Theft of Motor Vehicles took place.

The one Theft from M/V was someone attempting to steal the front number plate from a Toyota Hybrid resulting in breaking the number plate which means half of the number plate is now missing. Number plates theft was on the rise before the lockdown period. Again we advise during you look to update your security. Look to invest in theft number plate screws (cannot be unscrewed) to indefinitely hold your plates in place, or anti-theft number plates.

The 'Theft of Vehicle' was a Land Rover Discovery which was stolen from the victims driveway without the keys. Unfortunately the owner of the vehicle didn't see who stole the vehicle.

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.

**Fraud/Scams**— Unfortunately we have been made aware that people are using the coronavirus, as a way of trying to scam people. Please read our latest advice. The easiest way of remembering how best to protect yourself and your loved ones if someone comes to your door offering help. Remember **SCAM**:

**Stop** – never do anything you don't want to or make any decisions on the spot.

**Check** - Check for ID but remember most of these are community volunteers so wouldn't necessarily have ID. There is no way of knowing whether they are legitimate

**Ask** – Ask someone you trust for a second opinion, or ask them if they can provide the support you need.

**Mine** – If they ask for your card or your pin, remember this is very personal information which should not be shared

**Share** – If you come across a scam, share your experience with others if possible to prevent them from being scammed.

<https://www.met.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/fa/fraud/personal-fraud/prevent-personal-fraud/>

### OTHER NEWS

**Easter Delivery**—Over the Easter period, The team have been out with our favourite character 'PCSO Steve' visiting children across the borough, delivering Easter eggs and thanking residents for staying indoors. The single most important action we can all take, in fighting coronavirus, is to stay at home in order to protect the NHS and save lives. When we reduce our day-to-day contact with other people, we will reduce the spread of the infection.

**Drug Stops** - We had received reports of a vehicle that has been coming to and from Kingwood Lane with a strong smell of cannabis coming from the vehicle. A resident called up explaining there was a suspicious vehicle parked in the road. Officers responded to a call and managed to stop and search two males in a vehicle. 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 (cannabis warning) and removed from the area.

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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 list.*

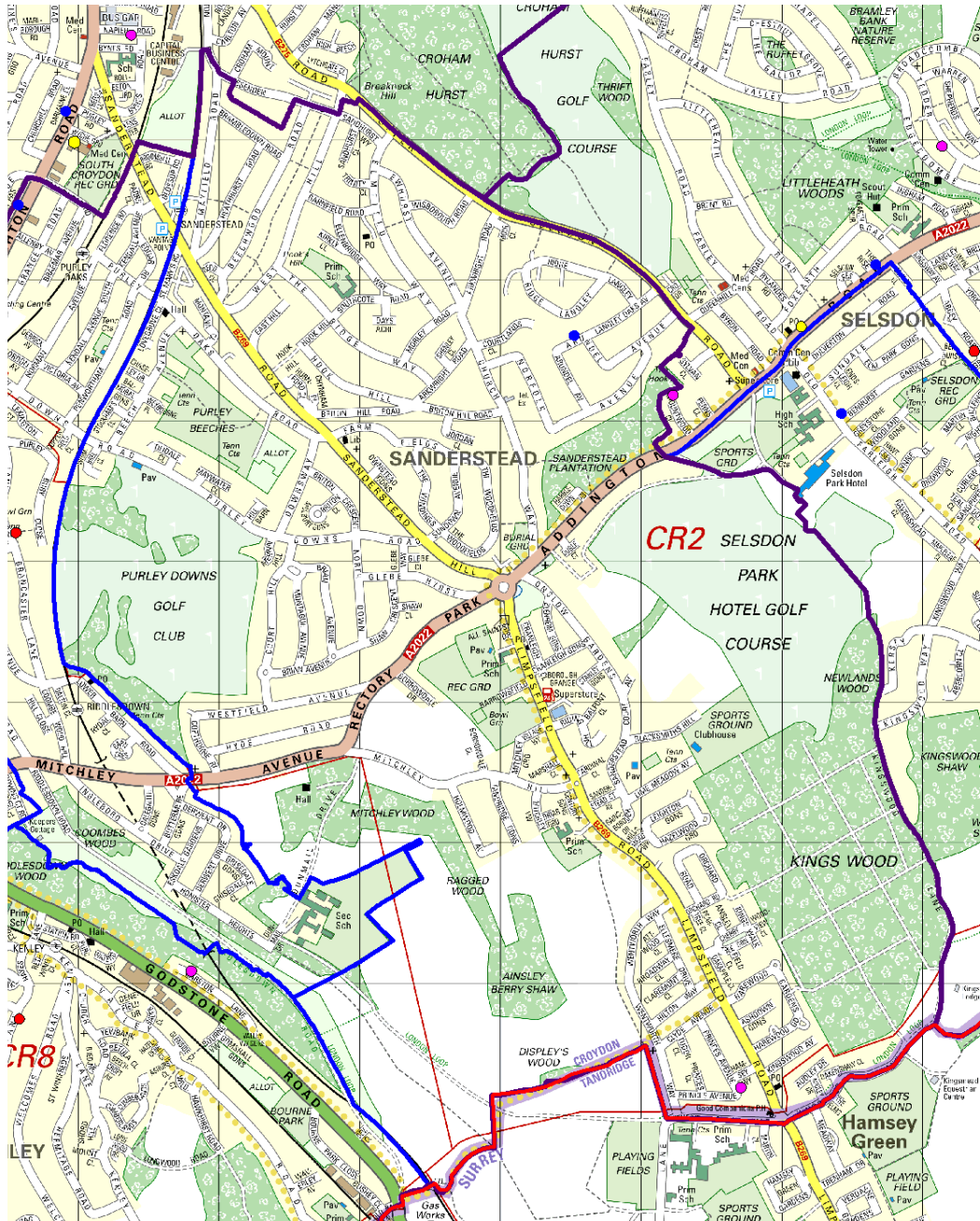
In an emergency,  
always dial 999

**999**

The new number  
to call to contact  
your local police

**DIAL  
101**

## Monthly Crime Map



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

**Monthly Motor Vehicle Crimes Committed**

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	Items taken
Theft <b>from</b> Motor Vehicle	24/04/2020 10:45	27/04/2020 22:01	PRINCES AVENUE	Number plates

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	Vehicle type
Theft <b>of</b> Motor	17/04/2020 23:35	17/04/2020 23:39	ARUNDEL AVENUE	Land Rover Discovery