

Sanderstead Update

August 2022

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 looking following the guidelines that have been set out by the government. Please see dates, times and locations.

Priscilla's Tea Room

Limpsfield Road

Wednesday 28th September

Ward Panel Meeting

Riddlesdown Collegiate, Conference Room

Wednesday 7th September at 6pm

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

Business Burglary

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-business-safe-from-crime/keep-burglars-out-business/>

Motor Vehicle Crime

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/vehicle-safe-and-sound/>

Catalytic converter theft

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/catalytic-converter-theft/>

Report a crime online

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

PRIORITIES

Burglary

In August, **1 Residential and 2 Business & Community** Burglaries took place.

This month we have seen just a single residential burglary which was also just an attempt, the suspect tried to the front door handle and then walked away.

Once again we have had two shops targeted on the same night. Only a small amount of cash was taken from the till, but plenty of damage was caused. Please read the advice:

- Make sure you have a monitored alarm and that it's fully operational. An alarm company can quickly contact the Police and respond immediately. Putting up a sign can also deter burglars.
- All glass doors and windows are particularly vulnerable – use security-rated products to make them more burglar-resistant. For more details visit [Secure by Design](#).
- Try not to keep cash on the premises and always use a bolted-down safe with a time lock and anti-tamper sensors that trigger an alarm.
- Make sure there is sufficient lighting around the premises, even at night when the store is closed.
- Make sure your CCTV is operational, provides facial recognition as well as good quality images and covers any vulnerable areas. 24-hour digital CCTV is also highly recommended. You'll find useful advice on buying surveillance equipment, from the [Surveillance Camera Commissioner](#).

Motor Vehicle Crime

In August, **6 Theft from Motor Vehicles and 2 Theft of Motor Vehicles** took place.

We continue to see catalytic converter thefts, there are steps that you can take to protect your vehicle.

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.

Check social media for up and coming catalytic converter events. You should also register your converter and mark it with a forensic marker, which will make it harder for thieves to dispose of.

<https://www.met.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/catalytic-converter-theft/>

Sanderstead Station / Parade of Shops

A multi-agency approach was adopted to address the Anti-social behaviour (ASB) around Sanderstead station and Mayfield Road. Residents from a care home in Mayfield Road were congregating outside the shops by Sanderstead station on a daily basis causing issues to local residents, businesses and members of the public using the shops and the station.

Over the course of many months, officers have been working with Croydon Council and staff members of the care home. Meetings were arranged with local residents to understand the impact that this has had on their lives. Through the actions of all involved, the few residents of the care home who were causing the ASB issues have now been either moved or under the medical care. We hope that this will improve matters in the area and remove the issues being caused.

OTHER NEWS

Drugs Warrant

Information was received that an address in Riddlesdown was growing cannabis. The team assisted and helped developed a section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act search warrant. Officers entered the property and found over 60 cannabis plants. One male was arrested for possession with intent to supply.

If you have any information about individuals using or supplying drugs, please contact the team or you can contact Crimestoppers anonymous on **0800 555 111**. <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

Speed Awareness

Officers conducted speed awareness checks on Upper Selsdon Road earlier this month, following requests from local residents about their concerns of ongoing issues with cars speeding along this road. Officers stopped and educated many cars about their speed and about the safety of others on the road. Officers also reported three (3) drivers for excessive speeding along the road and these drivers will be fined and given points on their license

CONTACT DETAILS

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

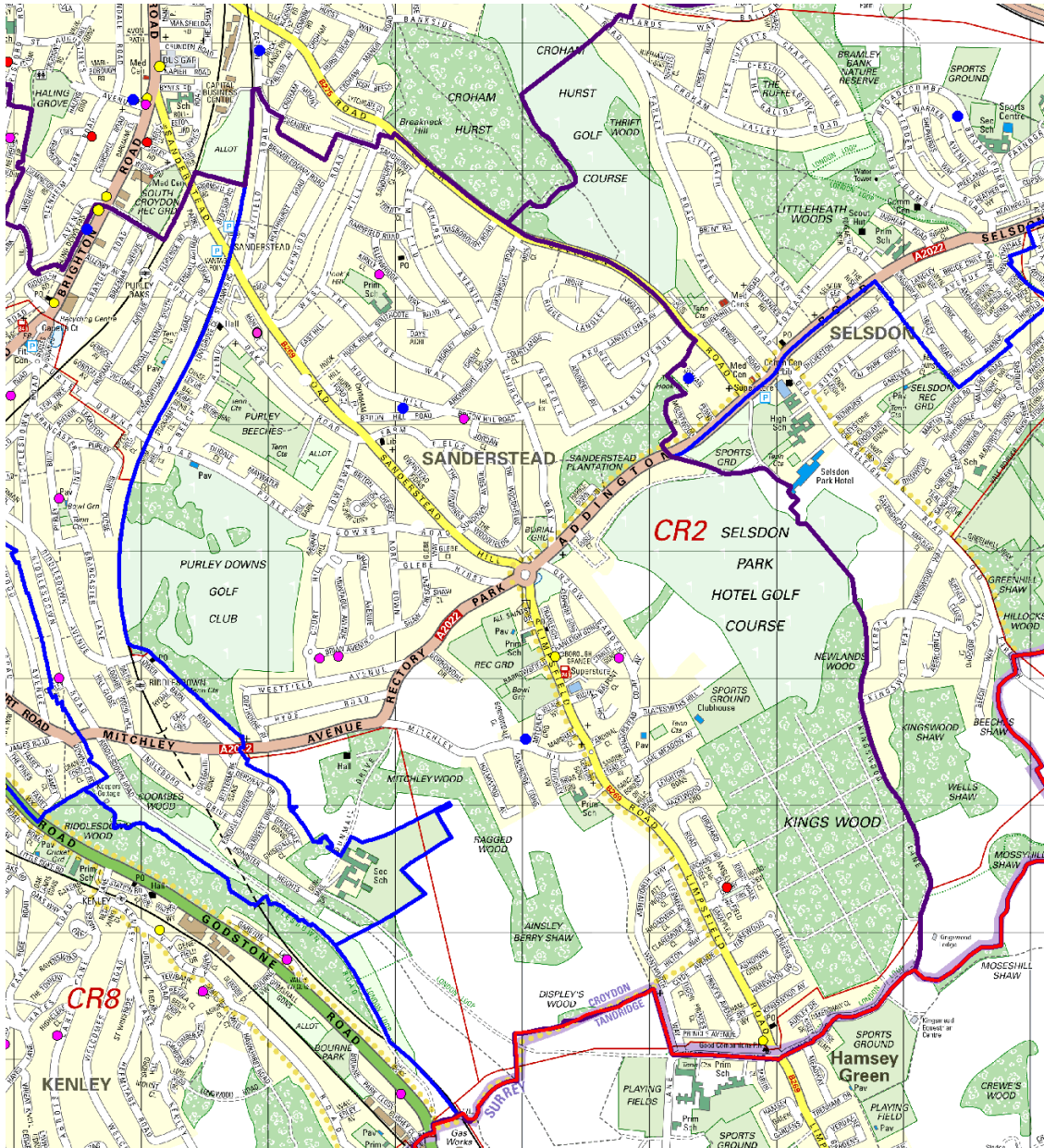
Email - SNMailbox.SandersteadSNT@met.police.uk

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

Twitter [@MPSSanderstead](https://twitter.com/MPSSanderstead)

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

Monthly Crime Map



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL		1
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY		2
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE		6
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE		2

You can find more statistics online via the links below:

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

<https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac/data-and-statistics/crime-dashboard>

Motor Vehicle Crimes

Theft from motor vehicle

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft from MV	18/08/2022 12:20:00	18/08/2022 12:21:00	KIRKLY CLOSE	Victim's van was parked in the road outside a customers house and the van was unlocked and a neighbour witnessed 3 males wearing masks open the van side door and steal the copper
Theft from MV	18/08/2022 09:55:00	18/08/2022 20:00:00	BRITON HILL ROAD	Victim's van was parked in the road outside a customers house and the front and rear number plates were stolen
Theft from MV	23/08/2022 20:00:00	24/08/2022 16:45:00	ONSLow GARDENS	Front and rear number plates stolen.
Theft from MV	30/08/2022 20:46:00	30/08/2022 21:00:00	MONTANA CLOSE	Three suspects stolen a catalytic converter was stolen from a Lexus outside the victim home address.
Theft from MV	30/08/2022 21:00:00	30/08/2022 21:03:00	BRIAN AVENUE	Suspect(s) have stolen a catalytic converter from a Honda Civic outside the victims home address.
Theft from MV	30/08/2022 21:30:00		BRIAN AVENUE	Suspects have stolen a catalytic converter from a Honda Civic outside the victims home address. Neighbour saw 3 male suspects underneath the vehicle.

Theft of motor vehicle

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft of MV	16/08/2022 03:00:00	16/08/2022 11:00:00	MITCHLEY HILL	Suspect(s) has been stolen the victims Mercedes from outside the property.
Theft of MV	16/08/2022 19:00:00	17/08/2022 10:15:00	BRITON HILL ROAD	Suspect(s) have stolen the victim's Land Rover sport from outside their home address. Believe to be a keyless theft as the victim still has the car key.

Burglary

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What happened
Burglary Business / Commercial	24/08/2022 01:40:00	24/08/2022 01:55:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	Suspect(s) have used a rock to smashed the front window of the shop. The alarm company for the business contacted the police immediately, who responded quickly. Unfortunately the suspect had gone by the time units arrived. Unknown if anything has been taken at this moment, but it is believed the suspect(s) never entered the shop.
Burglary Business / Commercial	23/08/2022 16:45:00	24/08/2022 07:55:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	Suspect(s) have smashed the bottom half glass to the front door of the shop. Informant discovered the break-in, in the morning. The till was damaged and the float cash was taken.
Attempt Burglary Residential	31/08/2022 04:10:00	31/08/2022 04:15:00	CHERRY TREE GREEN	Suspect wearing a balaclava and gloves, tries the door handle attempted to open the front door, but was unsuccessful. Individual has then got into the vehicle and driven off. Nothing was taken and nothing was damaged.