

Sanderstead Update March 2018



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 Riddlesdown 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:

Priscilla's Tea Room, 52 Limpsfield Rd,
South Croydon CR2 9LH on
Saturday 14th April at 11.00am

Sanderstead Library, Farm Fields, South
Croydon CR2 0HL on
Saturday 28th April at 2.00pm

We are holding a **Crime Prevention Day**
at St Edmunds Church, Mitchley Avenue,
Riddlesdown, CR2 9HL, on
Saturday 21st April at 10.30am

The next **'Ward Panel Public Meeting'**
will be held at Riddlesdown Collegiate,
Honister Heights, Purley CR8 1EX on
Thursday 26th April at 6.30pm

PROMISES

Burglary - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of 8 **Residential** and 0 **Business & Community** Burglaries.

Sanderstead continues to see an increase in burglaries around Court Hill. The suspect(s) have managed to break into at least nine homes in the road, all backing onto Purley Downs golf course. Suspects have taken property such as jewelry, gold, sunglasses, cameras and money. All of these items are generally kept in the bedroom, so look to store your valuables somewhere secure and out of sight. All of the residential burglaries were accessed through the rear of the property. From the most recent burglaries, the suspect(s) managed to climb onto the flat roofs of the properties and attempted to gain entry. It is unknown if the suspect(s) are using the golf course to gain access to the back gardens or if the suspect(s) is coming from the front and using a side gate, but we are asking residents to look at the weak points of their homes and to upgrade their security.

We aim to visit all burglary victims to ensure we record and use information for intelligence purposes to prevent further offences. We will continue to liaise with our intelligence team and surrounding local police teams to combat these burglaries and conduct further patrols in uniform and in plain clothes.

We have had reports of vans acting suspiciously on the ward. We are asking for residents, if they see anything suspicious to please contact to the team with any registration numbers, description of the vehicles and any occupants.

For further advice follow the link: www.met.police.uk/crime-prevention/residential-burglary

Motor Vehicle Crime - Over the last 4 weeks Sanderstead had a total of 8 **'Theft of & from motor vehicle'**.

This month a number of 'theft from motor vehicle' offences were committed. The vehicles targeted were transit vans with thousands of pounds worth of power tools. These crimes took place over night. Remember to remove all of your valuables from your vehicles and leave nothing on show. There were also a couple of number plate thefts. We have anti-theft number plate screws for anyone who wants a pack.

The 'Theft of motor vehicle' offences committed happened during the daytime. Two of the victims left their car keys within the vehicle. Under no circumstances should you leave your vehicles unlocked with keys in the ignition unattended. Even if you are going to a cash point or just 'popping' into a shop.

As you can see from the crime map, the vehicle crime is focused around Hamsey Green. We will be looking to concentrate our patrols in this area.

Youth Engagement - We were invited to speak to a local Brownies group. We prepared and presented a talk on the different roles within the Police and on 'stranger danger'. The Brownies group had the chance to try on the uniform. We were also able to bring and show off one of our Police Initial Response Vehicles (IRV). We were delighted to engage with so many young people. It gives them a chance to ask us any questions they have and meet face to face with their local police team.

If you are aware of any other events you would like us to attend, please get in touch with the team.

OTHER NEWS

Action Fraud - The team were made aware of a couple of fraud and scam attempts on local residents over the last few weeks. Remember, police officers or your bank will never phone or email you asking for your bank PIN. You can now [sign up for free to Action Fraud Alert](#) to receive direct, verified, accurate information about scams and fraud in your area by email, recorded voice and text message. <http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/signup>

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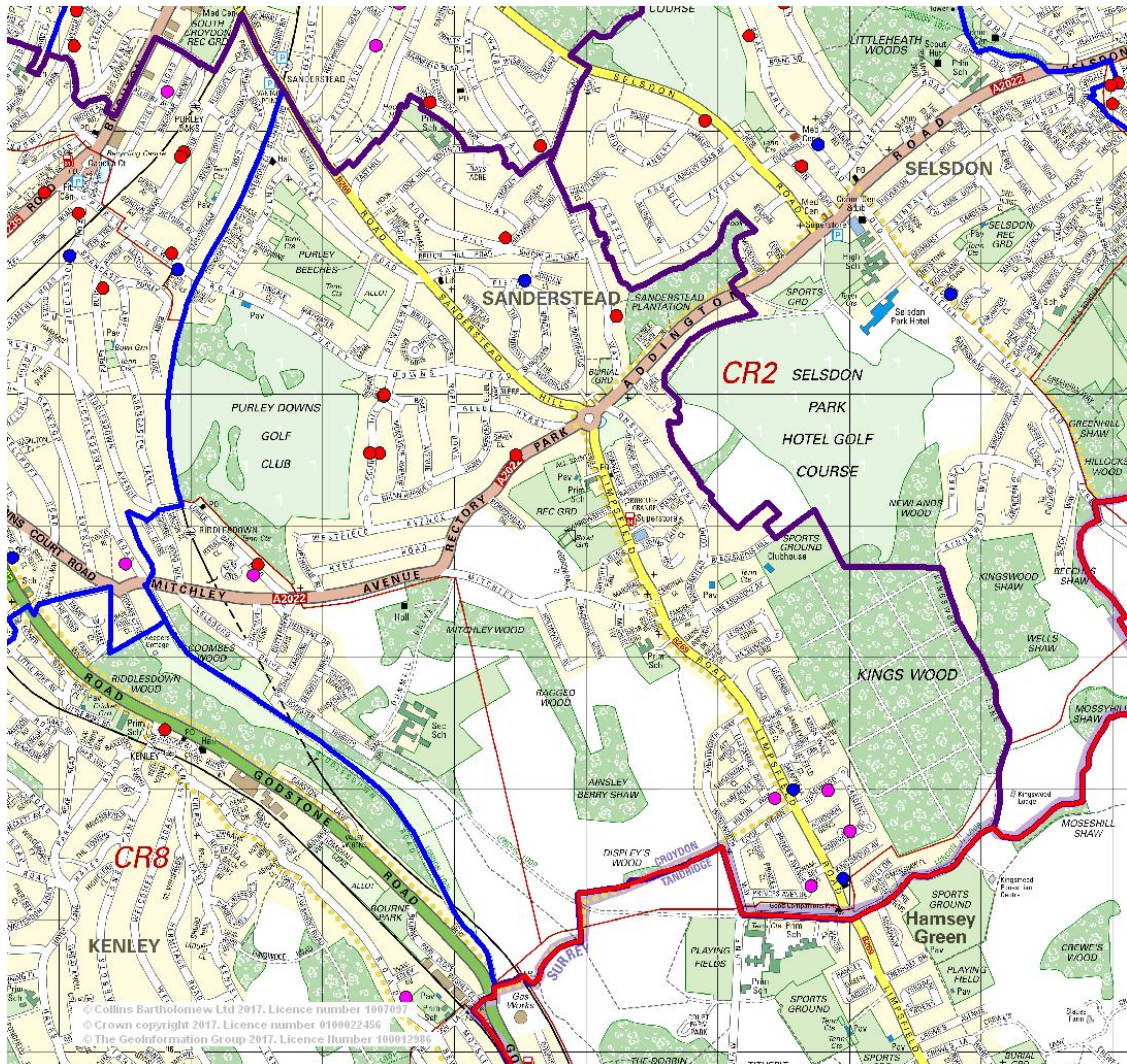
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always dial 999

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The new number
to call to contact
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FOUR WEEK CRIME MAP



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL	●	8
BURGLARY - BUSINESS & COMMUNITY	●	0
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	●	5
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	●	3

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