

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 with local officers. Please see dates, times and locations.

Priscilla's Tea Room

Limpsfield Road

Friday 20th October at 10.30am

Ward Panel Meeting

St Anthony's Hall, Wentworth Way

Tuesday 28th November at 6.30pm

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Neighbourhood Watch is about people getting together with their neighbours to take action to reduce crime.

They're community initiatives owned and run by their members which are supported by the police but not owned by them, although we sometimes run them.

They work by developing a close relationship between community members and the local police.

Neighbourhood Watch schemes can:

- cut crime and the opportunities for crime
- help and reassure those who live in the area
- encourage neighbourliness and closer communities
- Go to [Neighbourhood Watch](https://www.met.police.uk/nextdoor) site to find out what groups are active in your area and to register to join.

PRIORITIES

Motor Vehicle Crime

In September, **5 Theft from Motor Vehicles** and **5 Theft of Motor Vehicles** took place.

Over last couple of months we have seen a number vehicles accessed due to the fact the vehicle was unlocked. Fuelling up or popping back into your house to get something are perfect examples of how easy it is to turn your back for a moment and forget your vehicle is unsecured. So get into the habit of locking your vehicle even if you're only going to be away from it for a moment.

If your vehicle has wing mirrors that fold in automatically when locked, make sure you lock it properly. Criminal gangs are looking for vehicles like these where the wing mirrors are still out because it is clear to them that the vehicle has been left unlocked.

Your mobile phone, coins for the car park, sunglasses, packs of medication or other items that can earn quick cash are irresistible to the opportunist thief. Remember, the cost of replacing a window is often much more than that of what's stolen. It should go without saying that wallets, handbags, purses and credit cards should never be left in an unattended vehicle.

Burglary

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

Many people don't secure their shed or garage in the same way they do their homes - often using an easy-to-break lock or padlock to protect valuable contents such as a car, bike or lawnmower. An opportunistic burglar will try a shed or garage first because they can find the tools they need to break into the main house.

Burglary is not a victimless crime. It's traumatic to lose valuable and personally important items from your home - and the emotional shock of having your property invaded can also be deeply upsetting. Even if nothing has been stolen, the thought of a stranger being in your home can be very distressing and feel like a violation of your security. Some people blame themselves if they forgot to secure a window or door, or if they were tricked by the burglar, but it's important to remember it's not your fault. If you're a victim of a burglary, Victim Support can help. <https://www.victimsupport.org.uk/>

It's important to feel safe in your own home. Homes with no security measures are five times more likely to be burgled than those with simple security measures in place.

Sanderstead Community Day

The team attended the Sanderstead Community Day. The team spent the afternoon alongside the Police Cadets and PCSO Steve. We brought along Police Response vehicle. The children got a chance to try on some of our uniform and take them photos. It was great to interact with so many of our local residents. These type of events are always a great way to meet with the residents of Sanderstead. If you are aware of any other events you would like us to attend, please get in touch with the team. Thank you for inviting us.

OTHER NEWS

Ward Panel

The latest 'Ward Panel Meeting' was conducted on Thursday 14th September. The priorities and promises were presented along with crime figures and trends. It was agreed that the 'Priorities' would change and the team would look to focus on community engagement. The next meeting will be at St Anthony's Church on Tuesday 28th November. If you would like to attend, please contact the team.

Identity Theft

Concerns have been raised relating to fraud based crime such as Identity theft. Identity fraud, or 'ID theft', involves the use of a person's stolen details to commit crime. Many victims never find out exactly how someone got hold of their details, and clearing things up afterwards can be costly and stressful. Please see the link and see the Mets advice around how protect your identity. <https://www.met.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/fa/fraud/personal-fraud/identity-fraud/>

CONTACT DETAILS

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You can also 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 list.



Monthly Crime Map



		TOTAL
BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL	Orange	3
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	Blue	5
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	Green	5

You can find more statistics online via the links below:

<https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/metropolitan.police.service/viz/MonthlyCrimeDataNewCats/Coversheet>

Motor Vehicle Crimes

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft from M/V	12/09/2023 00:15:00	12/09/2023 00:25:00	BEECHWOOD ROAD,	The suspects have entered the Victim's vehicle and stole items from it. Wallet was stolen and cards were used fraudulently by the suspects.
Theft from M/V	22/09/2023 19:00:00	23/09/2023 09:00:00	BRITON HILL ROAD	The suspects have entered the Victim's vehicle and stole a mobile phone. Vehicle wasn't forced open and victim still has the keys.
Theft of a taking M/V	23/09/2023 17:30:00	24/09/2023 13:40:00	BLACKSMITHS HILL	Victims BMW was stolen outside the victims home address. Banks card were left in the vehicle Victim still has his keys, so believed to be keyless thefts.
Theft from M/V	25/09/2023 15:30:00	26/09/2023 07:00:00	BRIAN AVENUE	Both sets of number plates were stolen from the victims van.
Theft of a taking M/V	26/09/2023 21:00:00	27/09/2023 07:30:00	GLEBE HYRST	Victims Land Rover was stolen from the driveway. Victim still has his keys, so believed to be keyless thefts.
Theft of a taking M/V	28/09/2023 23:00:00	29/09/2023 02:00:00	GLEBE HYRST	Victims Land Rover was stolen from the driveway. Victim still had the keys, so believed to be keyless thefts. Vehicle has since been recovered due to the tracking system. Vehicle is now returned to the owner.
Theft from M/V	26/09/2023 20:00:00	27/09/2023 06:00:00	THE WOODFIELDS	The suspects have entered the Victim's vehicle and stole some loose change.
Attempted Theft of a taking M/V	30/09/2023 01:52:00		ARUNDEL AVENUE	Victims Land Rover was attempted to be broken into. Vehicle had sustained damaged. Victim saw 3 suspects attempt break into the vehicle. Suspects were scared off and left the area towards Norfolk Avenue in a Silver/Grey Hatchback.
Theft of a taking M/V	26/09/2023 12:00:00	01/10/2023 19:00:00	LIMPSFIELD ROAD	Victims BMW motorbike was stolen outside the victims work address. Bike were chained up but the chain was cut though. CCTV showed 6 male on two moped show up and wheeled the bike away. All wearing face masks.
Theft from M/V	30/09/2023 03:00:00	05/10/2023 01:00:00	WEST HILL	Whilst away on holiday the victims vehicle was broken into, a set of golf clubs were taken.

Burglary

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Theft of a M/V	12/06/2023 22:00:00	13/06/2023 08:00:00	WEST HILL	Victims Land Rover was stolen outside the victims home address. . Victim still has his keys, so believed to be keyless thefts.
Theft of a M/V	16/06/2023 23:00:00	17/06/2023 09:00:00	WESTFIELD AVENUE	Victims Volvo XC90 was stolen outside the victims home address. Victim still has his keys, so believed to be keyless thefts.
Theft of a M/V	28/06/2023 08:00:00	28/06/2023 21:30:00	PURLEY OAKS ROAD	Victims Audi A5 was stolen on Purley Oaks Road Junction with Wetheren Close. Victim still has his keys, so believed to be keyless thefts.