

Sanderstead Update October 2023



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.

Costa's Limpsfield Road Wednesday 22nd November at 10.30am

Ward Panel Meeting

St Anthony's Hall, Wentworth Way Tuesday 28th November at 6.30pm

Bike Marking Event

If you've ever had your bicycle stolen, you'll know how upsetting it can be. Our practical tips will help keep your bike safe and out of the hands of thieves – and also advise on how to get it back if it is stolen. The most important thing to remember is, double lock your bike and register the frame number.

The team have organised a bike marking event at Riddlesdown Common car park. Get your bike marked and registered for free by your local Police Officer to deter thieves.

> Friday 24th November 1000-1200 hours Riddlesdown Common car park

CONTACT DETAILS

Telephone - 0208 721 2470 (goes through to a mobile) Email - <u>SNMailbox.SandersteadSNT@met.police.uk</u> You can also follow us on <u>NextDoor.co.uk</u> Twitter @MPSSanderstead

Motor Vehicle Crime

PRIORITIES

In October, 4 Theft from Motor Vehicles and 2 Theft of Motor Vehicles took place.

We are still seeing vehicle entered and items stolen with the vehicles being unlocked. Even if you are working nearby. Always manually check if the vehicle is locked. So remain vigilant and look out for any suspicious vehicles. We rely on your eyes and ears to help with preventing this types of crime. Car crime can be distressing and annoying as it can cause a great deal of inconvenience, as you could be without a car for a long period of time. There are things we can all do to stop us from becoming victims of crime.

- Anything you leave on view in your car will be an invitation for someone to steal it
- Never leave your car unlocked or unattended. Manual check before leaving .
- If you don't have a security system in your car, invest in a steering lock and use it
- Tracker systems can increase the recovery of your car if it is stolen. Many systems activate once the car is stolen and track the car via GPS and other systems.

Burglary

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In October, 4 Residential and Business & Community burglaries took place.

We didn't have many burglaries this month, but unfortunately we did see someone who was the victim of a distraction burglary. Distraction burglars pretend to be someone they are not in order to gain entry to your home. Common methods used by distraction burglar is someone pretending to be from a care agency, the council or a utility company investigating a gas or water leak. Seeking help or even asking for a drink of water if they claim to be thirsty or unwell. Any reason to enter your home. There are a number of things you can do to prevent distraction burglary. Always remember "if in doubt, keep them out":

- Use your door viewer to see who's there
- If you open the door put the chain on first
- Always ask for ID and check it with the company before letting somebody into your home. Remember that genuine callers won't mind checks. If you feel at all unsure, schedule a time for the caller to come back when a friend or relative is there
- for pre-planned appointments with utility companies, a password scheme can be set up

Community Engagement

We continue to engage with our community members as often as we can, so those we come into contact gets to know their local police team. We look to patrol routes to and from schools, including surrounding areas. We engage with our elderly member by attending care homes. Engaging with the public in different ways is always something we like to do. If you are aware of any up and coming event or you simply want us to visit, please contact the team.

OTHER NEWS

Bonfire Night

Everyone should be able to enjoy fireworks safely, whether at an organised display or in their back garden. Here you'll find out the law around using fireworks as well as how to stay safe, and report those using fireworks in a dangerous or threatening way. What time can fireworks be used?

Fireworks can be used in the UK any time from 7am to 11pm. Exceptions are:

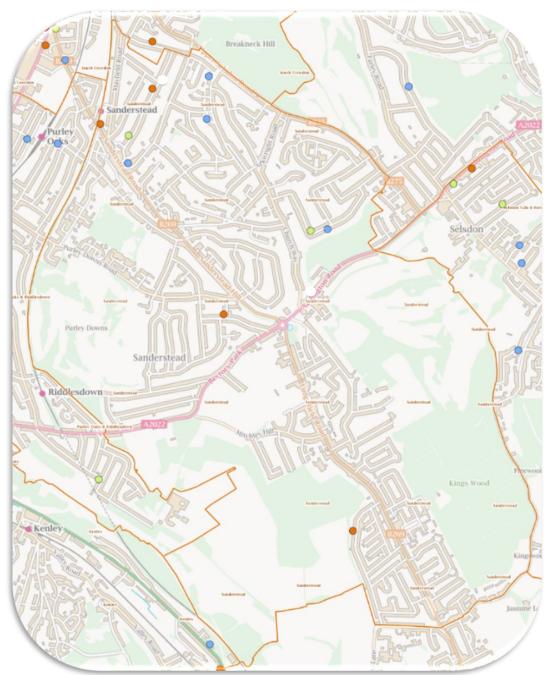
- Bonfire night: 7am to midnight
- New Year's Eve, Diwali and Chinese New Year: 7am to 1am the following day

If a local retailer is selling adult fireworks to people under 18, please report it to your local<u>Trading Standards</u>. If children are setting off fireworks in your area, our first advice is to ask them politely to stop. It's possible they're unaware that they are breaking the law. If you know their parents, perhaps ask them to intervene. If you're having an ongoing problem with people setting off fireworks, please <u>report antisocial behaviour to us</u>.

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	4
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	4
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	2

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	18/10/2023 09:30:00	18/10/2023 10:30:00	HYDE ROAD	Suspect(s) have forced entry into the victims vehicle and taken tools from inside whilst working on a job during the day. Damage found on the rear door of the vehicle.
Theft from M/V	21/10/2023 00:01:00	21/10/2023 07:00:00	NORFOLK AVENUE	Suspect(s) have forced entry into the victims vehicle and taken gift cards from inside the glove compartment. Vehicle was parked on the driveway.
Theft from M/V	20/10/2023 20:00:00	21/10/2023 08:15:00	ELMFIELD WAY	Suspect(s) have entered the victims vehicle and taken cash, head phones and a multi-tool. Vehicle was left unlocked
Theft from M/V	01/11/2023 04:00:00	01/11/2023 15:00:00	ONSLOW GARDENS	Victim parked his vehicle and went to worked, returned to find both sets of number plates were stolen.

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Theft of a taking M/V	11/10/2023 09:00:00	11/10/2023 11:14:00	BEECHWOOD ROAD	Victims Ford Transit was stolen outside the victims home address. Vehicle has since been recovered from the Warling- ham Area.
Theft of a taking M/V	18/10/2023 04:00:00	18/10/2023 05:00:00	NORFOLK AVENUE	Suspect has stolen victims BMW X3 VRM without keys from the driveway

<u>Burglary</u>

CrimeType	Committed on/off DateTime	Committed to DateTime	Road Name	What was taken
Burglary Residential	21/10/2023 21:00:00	21/10/2023 21:00:00	WENTWORTH WAY	Suspect(s) have forced entry via a side kitchen door. The lock was found on the floor broken. Property backs onto Riddlesdown Common. It is believed they accessed the Garden via the Common. Bedrooms were targeted taking mainly jewellery and cash.
Distraction Residential	25/10/2023 17:30:00	25/10/2023 17:43:00	BEECHWOOD ROAD	Suspect gained entry to the address by pretending to be looking for gardening work. Suspect stole £2000 whilst in the address. Victim was not harmed and not aware of what happened until the suspect left.
Burglary Residential	20:00:00	29/10/2023 20:00:00	GLEBE HYRST	Suspect(s) have forced entry via a rear kitchen window by shattering the glass. Suspect(s) attempted several windows and door before gaining entry. Even through they gained access nothing was taken.
Burglary Residential	19/10/2023 09:00:00	02/11/2023 09:30:00	ELMFIELD WAY	Suspect(s) have accessed the property by using a ladder out- side, onto the extension roof and then smashing the glass pane of a window and opening a window from inside. Side gate were insecure and believe this is how the suspects ac- cess the garden. Victims were away on holiday. Kitchen equipment and designer handbags were taken