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The Forest Hill Post

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Special points of interest:

Forest Hill Post Newsletter!

- Over 150 stolen vehicles recovered from April 2023 to April 2024.
- Targeted patrols throughout Forest Hill
- Join our ward panel
- Tool marking

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Welcome Forest Hill residents to another newsletter, now sent out every 3 months.

please see the key to see what this newsletter contains!

What we've done..

This is a short break down on what we have done recently —

**SAFER
NEIGHBOURHOODS**
LOCAL POLICE, LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

Mental health assessments

Many mental health assessments have been attended this month which are used for residents these are set up using LEWISHAM SLAM and police are there as an extra set of hands to help out if the subject were to become violent, more times than not that doesn't happen but it is an extra precaution taken by them to insure everyone's safety and that the mental health subject can safely get the assessment and help that is needed.

If you feel you know someone or are someone in need of help with their mental help, call 101 or contact your

Search Warrant execution

We executed a warrant on an address on the border of FOREST HILL and PERRY VALE which we suspected drugs were being stored in order to be dealt out within the surrounding area, what was found was multiple different types and quantities of drugs, A large rock of crack, 200 wraps of Crack cocaine along with 50 wraps of heroin a small brick of heroin and cannabis the male was subsequently arrested and a case was built for possession with intent to supply, this male pled guilty and has been remanded to prison whilst we await the trial to take place.

Community protection notice (CPW)

Once again more CPW's have been issued. CPW is a community protection warning, these warnings are a way to deal with ASB in set areas. CPW has conditions (e.g. Not to attend locations or gather large amounts of property to store on a public foot path) that if not followed then a CPN community protection notice is obtained and issued. If then not followed it can leave the person liable for arrest.

- CPW has been issued to a male abusing solvents outside TESCO on KIRKDALE.
- CPW has been issued to a male who continuously attends FOREST HILL POOLS causing issues despite being banned.
- CPW has been issued to a male who has demonstrated drunken behaviour in multiple establishments within Forest Hill high street numerous times.

Street briefing

Last month we held a street briefing with the residents of selected roads to target individual problems within smaller areas within Forest Hill.

Many people turned up to speak with us directly about joint issues affecting the surrounding roads. A face to face like this was very helpful in having that back to back conversation rather than a screen between, also a great way to engage and get to know our community.

The main issue for these streets were lack of cameras, the MP was contacted by us to ideally put pressure on the council to install these, currently a back and fourth is currently taking place with the council and police regarding this issue but we are also exploring other avenues to obtain camera installation.

Email in if you think a street briefing would benefit your street.

How to report..

How and what to report to emergency services — On speaking to some residents it has become apparent that not everyone knows how or what to report.

Things you can report and how —

- Non emergency neighbour disputes **(101)**
- Suspicious activity **(101 or *Foresthill.snt@met.police.uk*)**
- Non emergency police **(101)**
- Emergency's **(999)**
- Mental health episodes **(999)**
- Non emergency medical **(111)**

If concerned, report.

Please note Forest Hill SNT mailbox is only monitored when on duty and can be unmonitored for a period up to 7 days.

Ward Panel..

Ward Panel Meetings — Come join our ward panel and have your say about what matters most in Forest Hill.

Ward panels are where police and residents talk about priority issues within the ward hosted by the Chair.

Currently our Ward priorities are

1. Increasing Police presence in the ward and reducing ASB and drug use within town centres.
2. Reducing car crime including tool theft.
3. Reducing burglary's helping residents to protect themselves.



Next ward panel date — 27th June 18:30

Our ward panel is held over teams, Forest Hill SNT will be asking attendees if they would prefer the meeting in person held at a hall or office rather than online. This may draw new attendees in and open the meetings up to a larger community that does not necessarily have a online presence.

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Email ***Foresthill.snt@met.police.uk*** to join!

Motor vehicle crime awareness

We still offer vehicle marking

We have received multiple emails regarding vehicle marking. Although we haven't attended addresses yet to mark vehicles we are ready to do so.. Weather dependent.

Vehicle window etching — Glass etching with unique codes to individual pack that is issued.

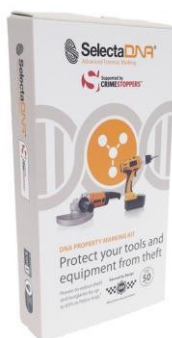
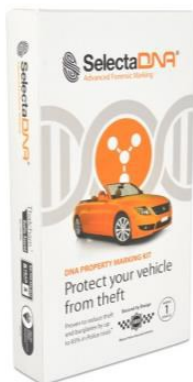
Security stickers —Special security stickers that we place on the engine or chassis out of sight this sticker cannot be removed easily and leaves a mark.

Visible security stickers —These stickers can be put as a visible deterrent against vehicle thieves. Placed inside and easy to remove in case you no longer want it on show.

DNA marking drops —These drops can be applied via the applicator which is a clear dot barely visible to any device or property which has unique DNA assigned to individual packs. This is good for laptops or any high value property.

Information —Security information for your vehicle such as steering wheel locks and pedal locks ghost immobilizers and faraday pouches.

Tool marking kits —Much like the DNA marking drops specifically designed for tools. Usually £60 but were giving them away for free!



HOW IT WORKS



Step 1

Use SelectaDNA to mark and protect your property



Step 2

Put signs up to show that your home or business is protected



Step 3

Register your unique DNA code on our secure database

Due to the limited number of vehicle kits we have we have had to target a certain criteria of vehicles this is if your car was made in 2019 onwards or if it is a luxury vehicle.

We hope to continue these a events and with time open up the eligibility to everyone.

Keep your vehicle & property safe



Tool marking

Why YOU should use tool marking..

Tool marking is a simple and effective way to insure your tools can be identified and linked to you.

The marking solution is a unique DNA to the specific kit and once applied will dry clear but glow under UV light.

Not only is applying the DNA marking to tools or other items very quick and easy to do but registering your tools online takes a couple of minutes and is equally as simple.

Why WE want use tool marking..

Tool theft is often unpredictable and a spur of the moment type theft. Marking your tools insure that if these tools are ever found on someone, in someone's vehicle, at a car boot sale, or found in a raid they can be easily identified not only returned to the original owner but it also proves that they belong to another thus giving further evidence to convict the seller of handling stolen goods or theft.

When/where we are marking tools..

(Signing up to Selecta is required, no details are kept by police)

We have been attending local building merchants and giving these kits to customers provided they sign up.

If you are a person who works within the trades and is interested in these kits feel free to get in contact with us and we will let you know when and where we will next be giving these away..

If you reside within FOREST HILL I am happy to attend your address to provide you with one.



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Updates from Forest Hill SNT

ASB— The last 3 months we have had two primary sources of ASB, this is a male attending FOREST HILL POOLS in which he is banned and another male being publicly intoxicated and bothering members of the public along with staff of local businesses along forest hill high street. These have both been issued with CPW's as stated earlier in the newsletter.

SNT Vehicles— SNT has 2 vehicles available to them, these vehicles are unmarked, whilst we would love a marked vehicle so we are more visible when driving around the ward there is unfortunately no opportunity for this at this current time. Every cloud has a silver lining and that lining being whilst we can see criminals or people committing ASB they can not see us, this is beneficial in promptly gaining the advantage and closing distance between us and them.

SNT officer leaving — Forest hill SNT have sadly lost a PC as she has since left the MET to return to Poland to care for family, Sadly she did want to stay and enjoyed her time at FOREST HILL SNT but as you'd agree, family comes first.

Vehicle marking — Thanks to the seasonal change the weather is now getting better, this means we are able to get back to the vehicle marking. Email in if you want yours marked but be sure to view the requirements on the motor vehicle awareness page first.

Events / School visits — Forest Hill SNT is open to welcoming ideas for events or visits to schools if requested.

Crime stats within FOREST HILL

FOREST HILL has over **15,174** residents according to a population census taken in 2021 the true number of people who live within FOREST HILL will be bordering **20,000** not to mention people who commute through or visit/work within the area.

A small break down of crimes committed within the ward that are relevant to residents

Within the last 92 days FOREST HILL have had the following crimes take place—

ASB – **18**
 ROBBERY – **6**
 RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY – **6**
 RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY UNCONNECTED BUILDING – **2**
 THEFT FROM SHOP - **14**
 THEFT OF MOTORVEHICLE – **16**
 THEFT FROM MOTORVEHICLE – **19**
 DANGEROUS DOGS – **3**
 HATE CRIME - **2**

Burglary awareness event is currently in the planning stages.



The MET ride along scheme

The Met Police ride along scheme offers individuals the chance to join officers on patrol and gain an insight into daily policing.

The scheme has been brought back under The New Met for London which focuses on more trust, less crime and higher standards.

You can choose to ride with the following units:

Emergency Response Team—These officers attended emergency calls (e.g assaults, robberies).

Territorial Support Group (TSG)—This team works in known gang areas and deals with critical and major incidents.

Roads Policing Team—These officers police London's road network and attend serious and fatal incidents.



Who can apply and what to expect

- ◆ You have to be 18 and over and live in London to be applicable to applicable to apply.
- ◆ You will be subjected to a criminal check record. Having a previous conviction does not necessarily mean your application will be rejected. The Met review each application on a case by case basis.
- ◆ On the day you will be asked to sign a confidentiality agreement and participant briefing sheet.
- ◆ You will get the unique opportunity to talk to officers on a one-to-one basis and gain better knowledge on how the Met police.
- ◆ Please note—due to high influx of applications for this scheme, it can take up to four weeks for the Met to get back to you in relation to your application.

To apply for the scheme and for further information..

Please use the following link: [Ride along scheme | Metropolitan Police](#)

Community Roadwatch

A partnership between the Metropolitan Police Service, Transport for London and London Borough Councils

What is community Roadwatch?

A road safety partnership scheme run by MPS and TfL in conjunction with London Borough Councils.

To improve road safety in London by reducing speed in residential areas

To improve public confidence in the MPS and TfL's efforts to reduce speed in residential areas

Local residents will work with their local Police Safer Transport Teams using speed detection equipment to identify speeding vehicles. Enabling engagement and road safety education messages to be communicated to the registered keepers of the vehicles.

Community Roadwatch Process

- Volunteers attend a local identified road with uniformed police staff
- Volunteers will be familiarised with the use of speed detection equipment
- Volunteers will record details of vehicles exceeding the speed limit by 10%+2mph above the limit
- At no time will an attempt be made to stop or signal drivers to slow down. Details of vehicles detected speeding are used in the next part of the process

 = 25mph

 = 36mph

 = 47mph



What happens to the speeder?

All collected vehicle data will be processed by the central Community Roadwatch team, checked against the Police National Computer to identify the registered keeper and the following can then occur:-

- A first occasion letter is sent to the registered keeper detailing the speed detected, the potential for future prosecution and the impact speed has on road safety.
- Vehicle detected for a second time in 12 months, a second letter will warn the keeper that the vehicle has been now detected on two occasions exceeding the speed limit and further action may be taken in the future
- Third time + offenders will be considered for targeted interventions.

Site locations

Community Roadwatch locations can be identified as a result of either Injury collision hotspot locations
Locations of community concern.

All locations will be risk assessed in advance by MPS personnel

To mitigate against potential neighbour confrontation, people will not be able to volunteer on their own road.

How to get involved

The schemes are managed locally by Police Safer Transport Teams.

To take part or recommend a location of concern, please contact your local Safer Transport Team.



Details can be found here: www.tfl.gov.uk/CommunityRoadwatch
Or email CommunityRoadwatch@met.police.uk



Community engagement! - upcoming events

This section of the newsletter is dedicated to community engagement events that are yet to come!

- Ward panel meeting
- Tool marking
- Burglary awareness event in the planning



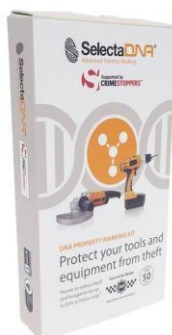
Reporting an incident to police, call 101 or if in immediate danger 999

Tool marking event

We will be handing out the tool marking kits which usually cost £60 but we provide them for free!

This will take place at SELCO in Catford

- Friday 21st June 1400—1600
- July and August pending



160 BROMLEY ROAD, SE6 2NZ



Any ideas for possible community events please let us know, we welcome suggestions.

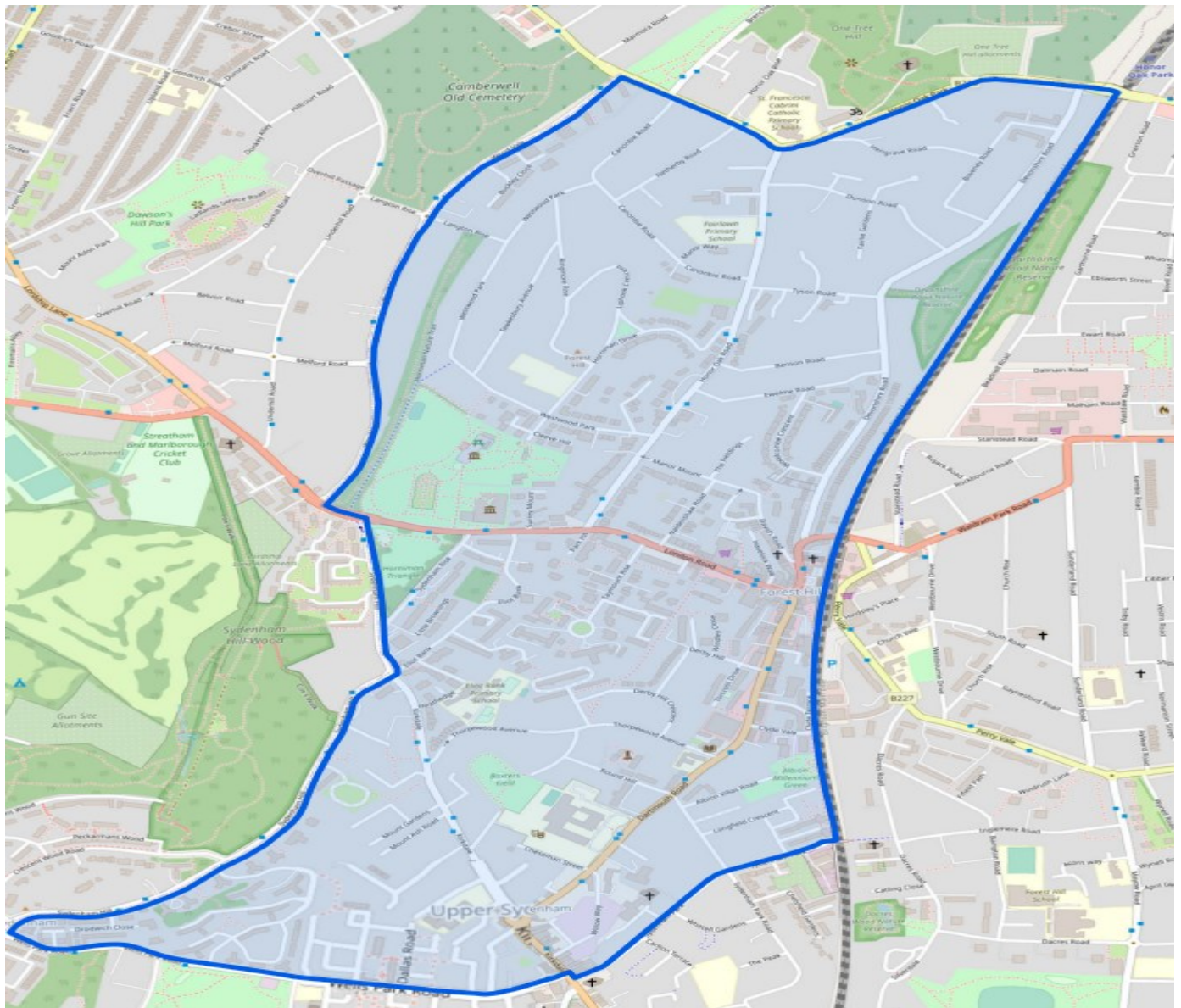
Patrol radius & routes

This is the radius of the Forest Hill Ward.... That 's a lot of area to cover..

Foot patrols are and will continue to take place in targeted areas in an attempt to combat issues within these set areas such as ASB, drug use, shoplifting and various other problems.

Patrols will also include weapon sweeps and general engagement with the public.

Please always feel free to stop for a chat with PC Nye and whoever he may be with while they patrol and stop in on local businesses and interacting with residents as much as possible.



Your Local Team;

Team Inspector;

Gavin Durnell

Team Sergeant;

A/PS Nathan Munday

Dedicated Ward Officers;

PC Jordan Nye

Dedicated Ward PCSO;

PCSO Amie McCreery



Have you got any cause for concerns or any issues you need some advice with?

Check out our twitter; **@MPSForestHill** which is the twitter page for all 3 wards, Forest Hill, Crofton Park & Perry Vale.

Want a say in your local community? Join our Ward Panel!

Forest Hill Ward Panel needs you! Every 3 months, the panel meets and discuss face to face, issues and problems on the wards that can be solved with The Police Team. These meetings are held at either Forest Hill Library, which is located on Dartmouth Road, or via Zoom Meeting.

We are always looking for new members that live or work within Forest Hill whom have issues, want to have a voice in their community and those whom want to make a difference. Our next meeting yet to be confirmed but will be taking place in September. Please email us expressing your interest in joining, and you will be added to the ward list.

Have any issues that cant wait until Ward Panel or need to get in contact with us over something else?

Email us! We look forward to hearing from you.



Contact Us

Email; ForestHill.SNT@met.police.uk

Phone: 101

Please leave a voicemail if needed and we will get back to you.

As the newsletter is a new venture for us, please do feel free to get in touch with any suggestions you may have, or if there is anything in particular you would like us to feature in next months article!!