

Metropolitan Police Service

The Forest Hill Post

End of year 2024

Final newsletter for 2024 documenting some activities we have done and look forward to doing in the new year.

- Over 223 stolen vehicles recovered by Forest Hill SNT , Crofton Park SNT & Perry Vale SNT
- Targeted patrols throughout Forest Hill
- Join our ward panel
- Tool marking
- Street meets

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SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

LOCAL POLICE, LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

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

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 know someone or are someone in need of help with their mental help, call 101

Found Forest Hill residents vehicles

Within the last 3 months we have managed to return stolen vehicles to many people vehicles found in FOREST HILL to their owners and some found outside the ward back to the residents of FOREST HILL.

Community protection warning & notices (CPW&CPN's)

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.

- CPN has now been issued to a male abusing solvents outside TESCO on KIRKDALE since this has been issued his attendance has halted.
- CPN has been issued to a male who continuously attends FOREST HILL POOLS causing issues despite being banned and a intervention took place.
- CPN has been issued to a male who has demonstrated drunken behaviour in multiple establishments within Forest Hill high street numerous times businesses and locals have been visited statements gained and police are currently dealing with ongoing issues.

Street meets / briefing

Moving into 2025 street briefings will be taking place around the Forest Hill ward.

This will consist of either 2 PC 's or PC & PCSO who will be visible and posted at the location for a few hours to answer any questions.

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.

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 drug dealing/use within town centres.
2. Reducing car crime including tool theft.
3. Reducing burglary's helping residents to protect themselves.

Next ward panel date — 23rd MARCH 1200

(Date subject to change)

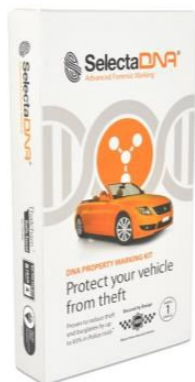


Our ward panel is held over teams, Forest Hill SNT will be asking attendees if they would prefer the meeting in person held at a hall or office rather than online. This may draw new attendees in and open the meetings up to a larger community that does not necessarily have a online presence.

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

Motor vehicle crime awareness

We still offer vehicle marking

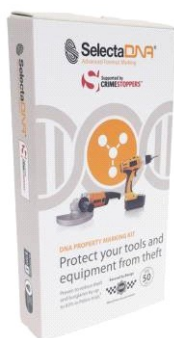


We have received multiple emails regarding vehicle marking. Although we haven't attended addresses yet to mark vehicles we are ready to do so.. Weather dependent.

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



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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..

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.



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

Updates from Forest Hill SNT

ASB— Throughout this year ASB has been tackled by Forest Hill SNT, this is by trying to problem solve themselves, contacting Lewisham council or housing. CPW's CPN's and community resolutions have been issued throughout the year to various people.

SNT Vehicles— Reminder that SNT do not have assigned marked police vehicles instead have access to a un-marked regular cars. On occasion we will be out in a marked carrier performing proactive patrols.

SNT officer Arriving— Forest hill SNT have a new PC coming to join them this will help deal with issues within the ward within a more timely manner.

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

Street Meets — Forest Hill SNT will be conducting street meets where officers will be posted at a location to answer any questions that residents or members of the public have.

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 – 1

ROBBERY – 4

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY – 2

RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY UNCONNECTED BUILDING – 0

THEFT FROM SHOP - 2

THEFT OF MOTORVEHICLE – 8

THEFT FROM MOTORVEHICLE – 3

DANGEROUS DOGS – 0

HATE CRIME - 0



There has been a drop in number of offences regarding EVERY category the lowest its been this year.

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).



Who can apply and what to expect

- ◆ You have to be 18 and over and live in London to be 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.



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Community engagement! - upcoming events

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

- Ward panel meeting
- Street Meets
- Tool marking



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

Tool marking event

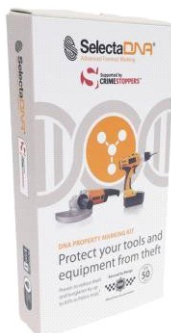


We will be handing out the tool marking kits which usually cost £60 but we provide them for free!

160 BROMLEY ROAD, SE6 2NZ

This will take place at SELCO in Catford.

No dates for this are confirmed and we will attend a few times throughout the month when available.



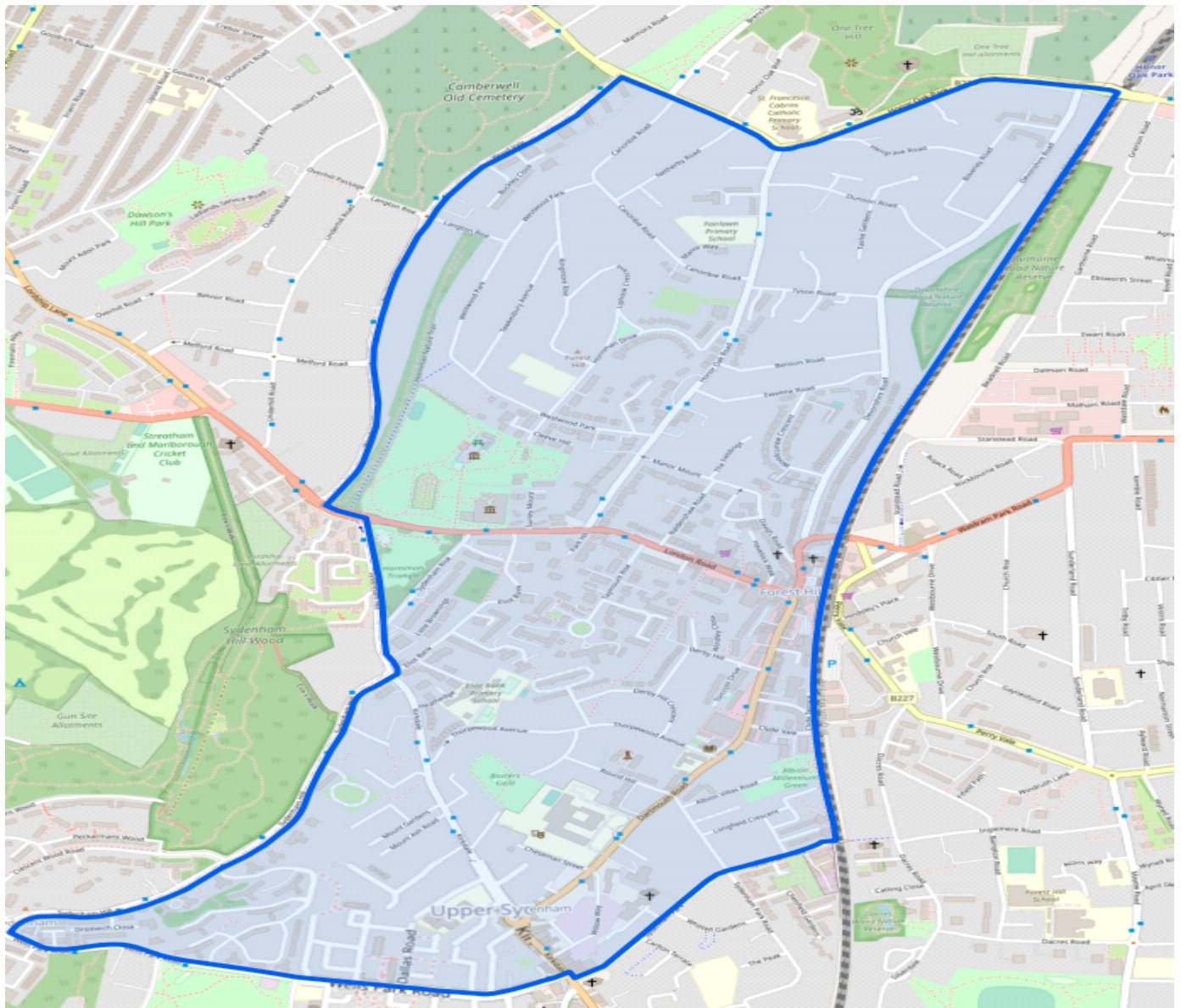
Any ideas for possible community events please let us know, we welcome suggestions.

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.



Your Local Team;

Team Inspector;

Insp Gavin Durnell

Team Sergeant;

PS Nathan Munday

Dedicated Ward Officers;

PC Jordan Nye, PC Hamdiya Hassan

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 and want to have a voice in their community and want to make a difference.

Our next meeting yet to be confirmed but will be taking place in March

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

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Phone: **101**