

Metropolitan Police Service

Purley Oaks & Riddlesdown Newsletter

Ward Priorities

Burglary

To visit every burglary on the ward. To maintain and reduce residential and non-residential burglaries across the ward.

Vehicle Crime

To visit victims of vehicle theft. To reduce motor vehicle crime - including theft of and theft from motor vehicles.

Community Engagements

To engage with members of the community ranging from youths to the elderly.



What is a Safer Neighbourhoods Teams (SNT)

Your Safer Neighbourhoods Team (SNT) is a group of Metropolitan police officers dedicated to serving your community.

The team is made up of officers based in your area (or 'ward'), supported by additional officers from the wider area. We work closely with local authorities, community leaders and residents to decide our policing priorities for the area.

This helps us to find useful, long-term solutions to local problems, while maintaining our wider focus on reducing crime across London.

New Ward Sergeant

We're pleased to introduce our new Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant, Sara Ginn, who brings a wealth of experience and a strong local connection to our ward.

Sergeant Ginn had this to say, "I have proudly served in the Metropolitan Police for 26 years, working across a variety of roles. My career began in Lambeth on an emergency response team, followed by a long and rewarding period with the South East Dog Section, where I spent the majority of my service. Most recently, I've worked in recruitment and now look forward to joining the Safer Neighbourhoods Team covering Waddon, Riddlesdown, and Purley Oaks. My career has given me a broad perspective and a deep appreciation for the many aspects of policing. I'm excited to be part of the Safer Neighbourhoods Team and look forward to building strong relationships within the community".

Remembrance Sunday

Our team was invited to attend the Remembrance Sunday service at Christ Church, Brighton Road. As part of the ceremony, we paid tribute to those who have served and sacrificed for our country, laying a wreath on behalf of our team to show our respect and remembrance. It was a heartfelt moment, reminding us of the courage and dedication, of those who gave so much. Thank you to Christ Church for welcoming us, and to everyone who joined in marking this important day of reflection and honour.



Team Members

Sgt Ginn

PC Deacons

PC Green

PC Hooker

PCSO Brooks



Ward Walk with Councillors

The team arranged a Ward Walk alongside our local councillor, focusing on known areas of anti-social behaviour. During the patrol, we engaged with members of the local community, including representatives from Purley BID, residents, and young people from Christ Church primary school. These interactions provided valuable insight into local concerns and helped strengthen our community ties. The walk was a great opportunity to show visible policing, listen to feedback, and reinforce our commitment to keeping the area safe and welcoming for everyone.

Safety Talk

We were recently invited to Christ Church Primary School to deliver a safety presentation to all year groups. During the sessions, we covered key topics on staying safe in the community and making positive choices. The pupils were fully engaged and asked us a range of thoughtful questions, which led to some great discussions. It was a fantastic opportunity to build trust and awareness among young people and strengthen our relationship with the school community.



Ways to contact the Police



Emergency

Call **999** if:

- Life is in danger
- Crime in progress
- Violence is being used or threatened

Non-emergency

Call **101** for non-emergency enquiries:

- Car has been stolen
- Property damaged
- You suspect drug use or dealing



You can also please report crime online

www.met.police.uk and simply click "report a crime". (live chat is also available)

Twitter - Met Contact Centre @MetCC—for non-emergency enquiries



Purley Oaks and Riddlesdown Local Police Team

For non-emergency enquiries.

Phone: 07584186578

Email: SNMailbox-PurleyOaksandRiddlesdownSNT@met.police.uk



Report crime anonymous—Crimestoppers

Online crimestoppers-uk.org

By phone [0800 555 111](tel:0800555111)



Meet the Team

We organise contact points sessions, which 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.

Please let us know if you plan on attending.

Monday 15th December—10am - Coco & Nut

Ward Panel Meeting

**Wednesday 10th December 2025
1830 hrs**

Christ Church, Brighton Road

More Dates can be found more Met Engage

MET ENGAGE

Community crime-fighting

Get Involved with Met
Engage

Met Engage is a great way for residents to stay updated on local policing, community safety news, and opportunities to have your say. By signing up, you'll receive regular updates and can play an active role in shaping the priorities that matter most in your neighbourhood. If you are NOT on Met Engage you will not able to receive information from us.

To join, simply email our team using the email address above, with the following details:

- Full name
- Email address
- Home address
- Telephone number



We'll get you signed up and connected with the latest updates from your local policing team.