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Inspector Lyndsey Whatley
Borough Commander

Dear Residents,
With the changing of the clocks and the nights getting longer it is important that we think of our own security and safety, and that of our properties and possessions.

On page 3 we have advice on how we can make other people feel safer on the streets and this is particularly important at night. Below there is a link to StreetSafe were you can tell us about public spaces where you have felt unsafe.
We have seen an increase in Outbuilding (shed) Burglaries in October, especially in the Horley area. A number of these burglaries have led to the theft of bicycles. If you have any information please contact us (details page 3) and also there is the Suspicious Activity Portal that allows residents to help reduce the number of burglaries and car thefts in the Borough - details below.



Residential Outbuilding Burglaries



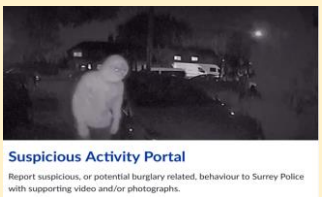
During the month of October 2026 reports were received and recorded as Residential Burglaries and these included residential outbuilding such as garden sheds .
The list below shows that there were 12 residential and attempted Residential outbuilding burglaries in the Borough in October.

Of these reports -

8 Shed Burglaries took place in the **Horley area**
1 Attempted shed burglary took place in the **Horley area**
1 Outbuilding burglary (not a shed) took place in the **Horley area**
1 Shed burglary took place in the **Banstead Area**
1 Shed burglary took place in the **Redhill Area**
6 Shed burglaries resulted in the **theft of bicycles**

Prevention Advice

https://www.surrey.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/protect-home-crime/secure-shed-garage/



Suspicious Activity Portal

https://www.surrey.police.uk/police-forces/surrey-police/areas/campaigns/suspicious-activity-portal/

Please note that you should not submit footage where an offence has taken place.

Tell us about a public space where you've felt unsafe

StreetSafe is designed for the public to anonymously tell us about public places where they've felt unsafe.
Share your concerns

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Feedback

Your feedback on the Newsletter is important to us.
Please contact me at Simon.Morris@surrey.police.uk

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A drug dealer who attempted to flee officers has been caught and jailed. 26-year-old Fjori Rama is currently serving 27 months in prison for his role in a county drugs line.

On Friday, 10 July, plain clothed officers were patrolling Bell Street car park in Reigate when they spotted Rama parked in a vehicle in the corner which they suspected to be part of a notorious drugs line.

As they were running some checks on the vehicle, the officers were spotted by Rama who then car left the car park. The officers followed, turning on their blue lights believing this would encourage the suspect to stop. Initially Rama tried to escape, however, he was eventually brought to a stop, but he then decamped the vehicle and fled towards Reigate. He then headed down Blackborough Close, discarding his phone as he ran before officers finally caught up with him. Based on his actions, Rama was arrested for failing to stop for police and being concerned in the supply of cocaine.

A subsequent search of his vehicle uncovered a quantity of cash, multiple packs of suspected cocaine, a bank card and a Stanley blade. Following further searches, a quantity of cannabis was also located.

He was charged for:

- Possession with intent to sell Class A Cocaine
- Possession with intent to sell Class B Cannabis
- Acquire/use/possession of criminal property
- Possession of knife blade/sharp pointed article in a public place
- Use of a motor vehicle on a road/public place without third party insurance
- Drive a motor vehicle otherwise than in accordance with a licence

Rama (08/03/2000), of no fixed address, was sentenced at Guildford Crown Court on Monday, 19 October, after being found guilty to playing a leading role in a large-scale drugs operation.

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Be In the Know!

'In the Know' in October 2026



You can sign up to In the Know to find out what is happening in your area: witness appeals, crime updates, crime prevention advice and news. This also includes the weekly Crime Update from Reigate and Banstead, Safer Neighbourhood Team. Apart from our Weekly Police Update and Monthly Newsletter, these are the Surrey Police reports posted on 'In the Know' during October 2026. If you missed any of the reports, shown below, then please go to the the Surrey Police Website. See page 3 for contact details.

29/10/2026	Protecting your equipment from tool theft - Surrey Police
16/10/2026	Police forces being impersonated in scam calls using 'spoofed' phone numbers - City of London Police
08/10/2026	IAmReady: a new website for victims and survivors of child sexual abuse and exploitation. Surrey Police
02/10/2026	From 22 to 0 – Reducing theft from motor vehicles in Merstham – Surrey police

In addition updates from: Fraud Team, Trading Standards, Neighbourhood Watch and the Crime Commissioner

Information Corner





Tips for making other people feel safer on the streets

Some of this advice might seem obvious, but there are some simple things we can do to help other people feel safer when they're out in public.

Keep your distance

When walking behind someone, particularly at night, try to leave a good amount of distance between yourself and the person ahead of you. Remember that the closer you are, the more threatening you might seem.

Don't stare

A stranger staring at you can be intimidating and unsettling. Focus on something else to show you're not a threat. Look out of the window, message a friend, or read a book or newspaper.

Cross the road

Somebody running up behind you, particularly at night, can be frightening.

If you're out for an evening run, or walk, and see someone walking ahead, cross the road, call out to let them know you're about to run by them or make sure to leave a good amount of space when you pass them.

Keep comments to yourself

What you might think of as just a bit of fun, or flattery, can be insulting, upsetting or even scary to someone else. Keep any comments or opinions to yourself.

Keep your friends in line

If you're in a group of people where someone is harassing another person on the street, try to calm the situation. They may just need to be told that they're behaving inappropriately.

Be an active bystander

If you notice someone is uncomfortable with another person's behaviour, show your support by being an active bystander. It can be as simple as standing between a person and their harasser to block their line of sight. Ask that person if they need any help, and back up anyone else who is intervening.

Share these tips

Sharing these tips with other people can go a long way towards making us all feel safer on the streets.

Crime statistics – Augusr 2026 to October 2026

Offence	August-26	Sept -26	Oct -26
Residential Burglaries	13 (5)	20 (9)	26 (10)
Keyless Car Theft	4	2	7

(-) Actual residential burglaries only, not including - Attempted, Garage and Outbuilding Burglaries

There has been an increase in the number of actual residential burglaries in October 2026, than reported in September 2026. The number of Keyless Car theft in October 2026 is higher than September 2026. Records show that there were 11 reports of Personal Fraud (scams) in October 2026, a decrease from September 2026 .



The Surrey Police Website has lots of information and advice. It is there to support you.

https://www.surrey.police.uk

How to report a crime or incident:

Emergency: call 999
Non Emergency: call 101 or report online or via live chat at: www.surrey.police.uk

To contact your local team (not for reporting purposes) email: ReigateandBanstead@surrey.police.uk

You can pass information to us directly via 101, online via https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/ or anonymously via Crimestoppers 0800555111, https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

Follow us:
Our Facebook is Reigate and Banstead Beat (Surrey Police) and our twitter is @ReigateBeat

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