

1 Reigate and Banstead Police Newsletter

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Reigate Priory Park

Two Years and 23 Editions



First Edition

This month is the 2nd Anniversary of the first edition of the Reigate and Banstead Police Newsletter. In the last two years we have published 23 editions, with the aim of keeping you informed on local Police work, crime prevention advice and how to report a crime/concern.

Through your feedback the format of the Newsletter has changed to make it more accessible and your responses have been really helpful in shaping the content of each edition. This has also included contributions submitted covering Speedwatch, Neighbourhood Watch and the Remembrance Day events, again reflecting our Borough

It is estimated that the Newsletter reaches over 5,000 residents of the Borough and we are trying increase that number, so please make other residents aware of “In the Know”.

Thank you very much for your continued support and as ever let us know your feedback.

Your Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)



PC Kieran Todd

I have now been in post as NSO(Neighbourhood Specialist Officer) for Reigate and Banstead South for the past 3 months and I am learning more about the role and the issues that affect the area.

I have been a Police Constable for nearly 10 years with the majority of my career being in NPT (Police response). However, I have had attachments to investigation departments including the Domestic Abuse Team, and most recently Neighbourhood Policing Investigation Team. Prior to becoming a Police Constable I was a Police Community Support Officer in Brighton. I missed the engagement with local members of the public about matters that affect them and trying to do something about it in a holistic manner. I am looking forward to working with external agencies and being a visible presence in the Community.

I am part of the South (Borough) area team led by Sgt. KIELY, working alongside PC Milly EYRE, PCSOs Jacqui PARNELL and Faith PARSONS and in the not-too-distant future PCSO Georgia KIDD. We will be looking to complete various operations including shoplifting, drug warrants and VAWG initiatives (violence against women and girls) in our area. When you see us around, please say hello and let us know what is affecting you.

Kind regards

Kieran Todd

PC 40808. SNT R&B South.

What is the role of a NSO?

An NSO, or Neighbourhood Specialist Officer, is a police officer role focused on community engagement, problem-solving, and targeted crime prevention within a specific neighbourhood. They work alongside other officers, utilizing their specialized skills to address local issues, particularly repeat or chronic problems.

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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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Secure Your Number Plates

Between 01/01/2025 to 30/04/2025 there have been 12 reports of number plate thefts in the Borough. You may not think that a car's number plate would be an item that would be worth stealing, but to many thieves it's an easy way of avoiding detection, fines and generally assist them in committing more often serious crimes, all while under the guise of being you.

Being a victim of number plate theft is not a trivial matter and you need to report it.

A car number plate is unique, and is linked to the registered keeper of the vehicle. If your plates are stolen and used, thieves are stealing your identity.

To avoid becoming a victim of number plate theft, we recommend taking the following actions:

- Park in a well lit area and use car parks that are accredited to the Secure Car Park Scheme.
- Fit non-returnable screws to your number plate, or another fixing device such as an epoxy adhesive. These are available from car parts supply shops and some DIY stores.
- Purchase theft resistant number plates from a reputable dealer and ensure they adhere to British Standard BSAU 145d.
- While most people use sticky black plastic adhesive, anti-theft screws and anti-theft bolts are much more effective method of reducing the risk of having number plates stolen. *Thank you Tandridge Police SNT*

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/vehicle-safe-and-sound/>

Redhill



Thank you

A big thank you to a member of the public who helped our officers in [#Redhill](#) on Saturday 29th April when a suspect being questioned about drugs possession, made off.

Officers were in pursuit on foot when a man standing nearby at the train station saw what was happening and stepped in to stop the suspect and enable their quick arrest.

PC Harry Stevenson said: "Whilst we don't usually encourage the public to put themselves at potential risk, we would like to thank this person for their assistance and community-minded spirit in supporting us."

"As part of our Safer Redhill strategy we have been focusing on tackling criminal activity that may be coming into our county via transport hubs and I'm sure many local residents have seen proactive operations taking place around the train station over recent months."

The suspect was arrested for possession with intent to supply Class A and B drugs and enquiries continue.



Be In the Know!

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

'In the Know' in April 2025

Apart from our Weekly Police Update and Monthly Newsletter, these are the Surrey Police reports posted on 'In the Know' during April 2025. If you missed any of the reports, shown below, then please go to the Surrey Police Website. See page 4 for contact details.

29/04/2025 Fraud Newsletter – QR Code Scams - Surrey Police

15/04/2025 Steps to consider when selling your car. - Surrey Police

15/04/2025 Stay vigilant for ticket fraud – Action Fraud

08/04/2025 Do you know about Pegasus? – Surrey Police

02/04/2025 Organised crime gang who shoplifted £130,000 .. Unravelling by Surrey PC – Surrey Police

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

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Is it an emergency?

Does it feel like the situation could get heated or violent very soon? Is someone in immediate danger? Do you need support right away? If so, please call [999](#) now.

If you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service 18000 or text us on 999 if you've pre-registered with the [emergencySMS service](#).

StreetSafe is a service that allows you to report safety concerns in public places without giving us your name (anonymously). This includes issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, or vandalism, as well as instances where you feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing you.

Please note: StreetSafe is not for reporting crimes or emergencies. If you witness a crime please report it to us [online](#). If you're unsure whether something is a crime or not, read our advice.

Examples of situations that should be reported to StreetSafe include a poorly lit alleyway that makes you feel unsafe or a park with broken equipment that poses a safety hazard.

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/notices/street-safe/street-safe/>

What to do if you're concerned for someone's welfare

If you're concerned about someone's welfare, they need the right care from the right person.

When to call 999

Call [999](#) if there's:

- an immediate risk to life of a person
- an immediate risk of serious harm to a person

The most appropriate service will attend. This may be an ambulance or the police.

Medical support

For medical help or advice, you can call [111](#).

Or you can use the NHS online service:

[If you're in England](#).

Other agencies who could support

If you're concerned about someone who is experiencing emotional distress, contact the [Samaritans](#).

[Shout Crisis](#) is a 24/7 text messaging service for mental health support.

[The Hub of Hope](#) has a directory of mental health support services.

[Mind](#) are a mental health charity providing advice and support.

The [NSPCC](#) has a helpline if you're concerned about a child.

[Papyrus](#) has suicide prevention advice.

Other reporting options to the police

If someone has gone missing, you can [report that to the police](#).

If you think an adult or a child might be being abused, cuckooed or in some other way exploited, [report that to the police](#).

If you're concerned that someone might be the victim of domestic abuse, you can [tell the police about that](#).

For additional advice see the Right Care, Right Person page of the Surrey Police Website at:

<https://www.surrey.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/concern-for-welfare/right-care-right-person/>





Information Corner



Credit Industry Fraud Avoidance System

Cifas, works by providing a platform for organisations to share information about fraudulent activities to reduce the risk of fraud and financial crime. It uses a National Fraud Database where member organizations record instances of fraudulent conduct, enabling other members to search against this data to identify potential risks. This system aims to protect both businesses and individuals by facilitating the prevention and detection of fraud. It is a not for profit organization.

Cifas for individuals

As a member of the public, Cifas will provide you with the information and tools you need to understand fraud and financial crime when it happens, and offer advice about what you can do to protect yourself from becoming a victim. If you've been a victim of identity fraud, or feel your personal data is vulnerable due to a breach, they offer [Protective Registration](#). Find out more about keeping your personal details safe on our [Identity Protection](#) page. They also hold information on individuals whose behaviour appears to be consistent with that of known fraudulent conduct. If you've been told Cifas holds information about you, you can make a Data Subject Access Request. Find out more about the information Cifas holds on individuals on the [Subject Access Request](#) page.



Fraud/Scam awareness and prevention talks

As part of our campaign on fraud / scam prevention and awareness, we are offering in person talks / discussions on how to stay safe from various types of scams / fraud, including telephone, social media, banking & doorstep amongst others. The talks are free. One of our Fraud Prevention Police volunteers alongside Police, where available, will attend in person to deliver the talk.

If you are interested and would like to find out more please contact us at :

SussexandSurreyFraudPreventionEngagements@surrey.police.uk

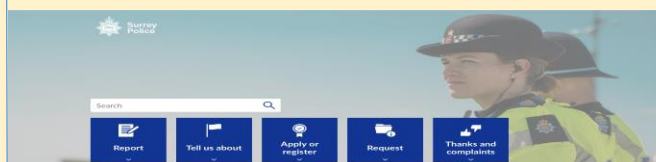
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Crime statistics – February 2025 to April 2025

Offence	Feb -25	March -25	April-25
Residential Burglaries	16 (9)	31 (7)	15 (7)
Keyless Car Theft	3	4	5

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

The crime statistics for the last 3 months show a consistent number of actual residential burglaries. In April there has been a reduction in the number of residential garage and shed burglaries reported. After a recent decrease, at the beginning of the year, in the level of keyless car thefts, there has been a further increase in April.



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/>

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