

Metropolitan Police Service

The Forest Hill Post

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Special points of interest:

Forest Hill Post Newsletter!

- Over 145 stolen vehicles recovered on the three wards
- Increased foot patrol on the Forest Hill Ward
- More engagement with the community
- Forest Hill DWO now speed gun trained



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Welcome Forest Hill residents to another newsletter,

please see the key to see what this newsletter contains!



**METROPOLITAN
POLICE**

**NEW
SCOTLAND
YARD**

What we've done..

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

Forest hill SNT has attended multiple addresses throughout the ward conducting arrest enquiries for outstanding suspects that are believed to live on the ward.

We have also recovered more stolen vehicles. The total for the year is now 145 vehicles recovered. This is also including stolen vehicles found within Perry Vale and Crofton Park as we are a united team.

Once again another homeless person has been moved on from FOREST HILL STATION underpass, he was issued a CPW which 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 issued. If then not followed it can leave the person liable for arrest.

On speaking to a lot of these people, they often state themselves to be 'homeless' but they do have places to go but usually it is easy to get money by sitting on the street. So although it may seem like people are helping these people by giving money it is also encouraging them to remain in the cold putting their health at risk.

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.

**SAFER
NEIGHBOURHOODS**
LOCAL POLICE, LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

We are now working closer than ever with Lewisham council and housing associations in order to help with any issues raised within the community.



Updates from Forest Hill SNT

ASB— An issue in recent months had been the homeless man who had made a home in the underpass. He has since been issued with a CPW community protection warning and has now left the underpass and all of the stuff accumulated is also gone.

SNT Vehicles no more?—We have heard there is a big possibility that the vehicles we use are being taken away due to organizational cost saving. As all our residents can imagine, we are not happy about this due to how far our station is away from the ward. We have expressed our concerns about how detrimental this will be to SNT's across the whole of the South East, We will keep you updated as we get more information but as it stands it is looking as if the only SNT which will remain to have vehicles is GREENWICH SNT as their vehicles are funded by the council.

New SNT officer — Forest hill SNT have a new PC joining us, she is currently on rotation within the met transferring from another team it is unsure if she is here to stay or just for a 6 month period at this point.

New Met operating system — The met is now using a new computer operating system, due to this there will be a hiatus in the newsletter being sent out as officers get to know the new system and what it is capable of.

Speed Gun — PC NYE is now trained in using the Speed gun and will be looking to set up around Forest Hill in order to combat speeding throughout the ward.

Vehicle marking — We are continuing to mark vehicles using SELECTA DNA... Weather dependent.

Crime stats within FOREST HILL

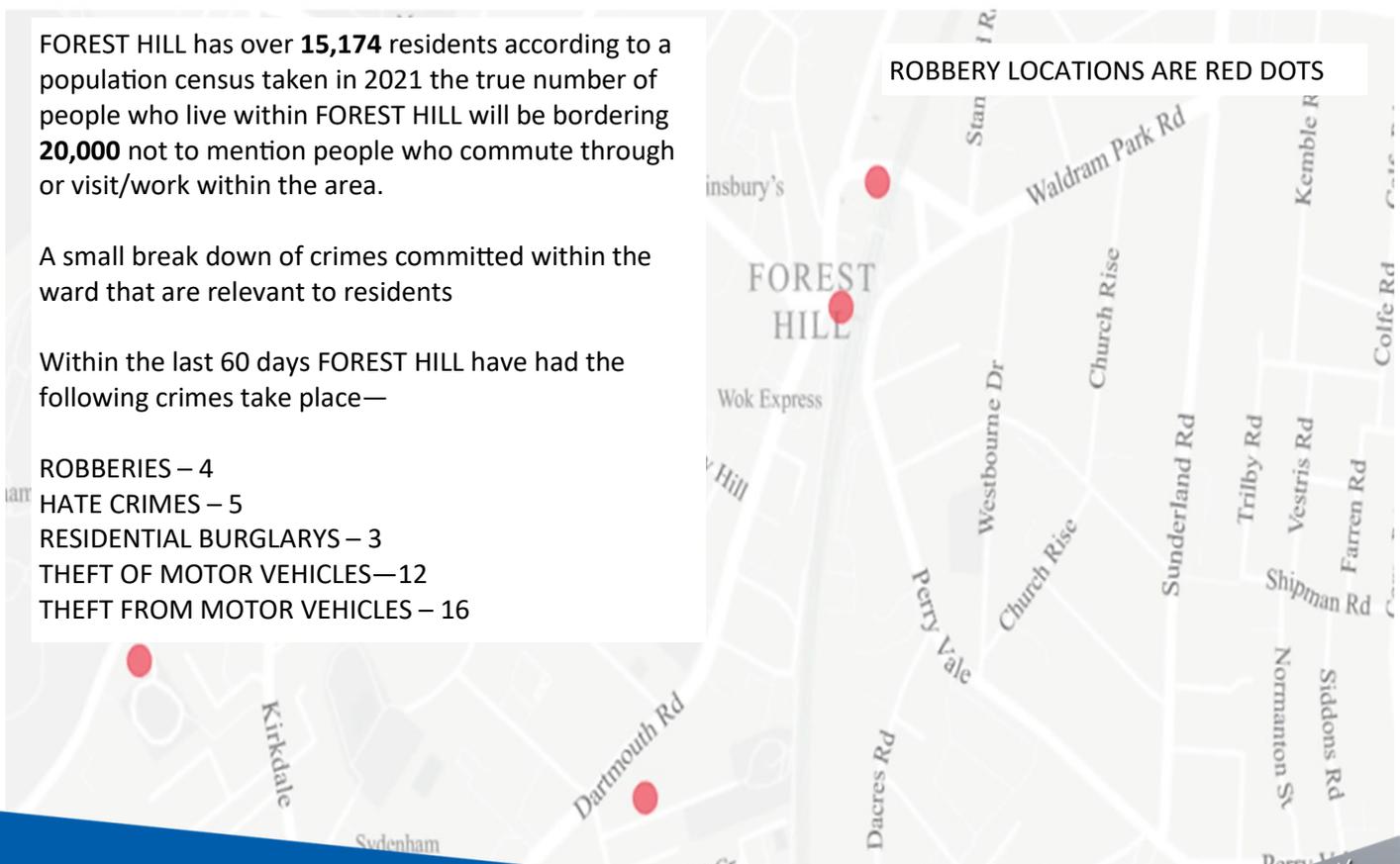
FOREST HILL has over **15,174** residents according to a population census taken in 2021 the true number of people who live within FOREST HILL will be bordering **20,000** not to mention people who commute through or visit/work within the area.

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

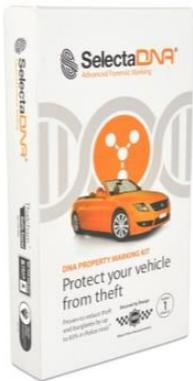
Within the last 60 days FOREST HILL have had the following crimes take place—

ROBBERIES – 4
HATE CRIMES – 5
RESIDENTIAL BURGLARYS – 3
THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLES—12
THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLES – 16

ROBBERY LOCATIONS ARE RED DOTS



Motor vehicle crime awareness community event



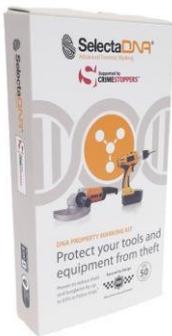
We still offer vehicle marking

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



The MET ride along scheme is back!

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

The scheme is being 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 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 engagement! - upcoming events

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

- Ward panel meeting
- Coffee with a cop



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

Coffee with a cop

Metropolitan Police Service
COFFEE WITH A COP

Coffee with a cop!

Coffee with a cop is back and is a great informal way to meet your local Forest Hill Safer Neighbourhood Team as well as method to express any issues or advice in a relaxed neutral environment.

Coffee with a cop will take place at
FOREST HILL POOLS
Dartmouth Rd, Forest Hill, SE23 3HZ
Which will be a monthly event

It will be attended by a PC & PCSO
So that any questions or query's can be answered.

METROPOLITAN POLICE

The team are eager to engage with as many members of the public as possible in order to tackle any issues our residents may be experiencing.

Due to this, we will be holding a engagement events at various locations on the ward.

This will be held at FOREST HILL POOLS as you may see these posters within.

These posters will have dates and times written on the white boxes and changed after each session. The next session will be 22nd MARCH 2024 at 1000.

We encourage anyone to come along who wishes to speak with us.

Equally, if you just wish to meet your local team to say hello, that would also be welcomed.

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

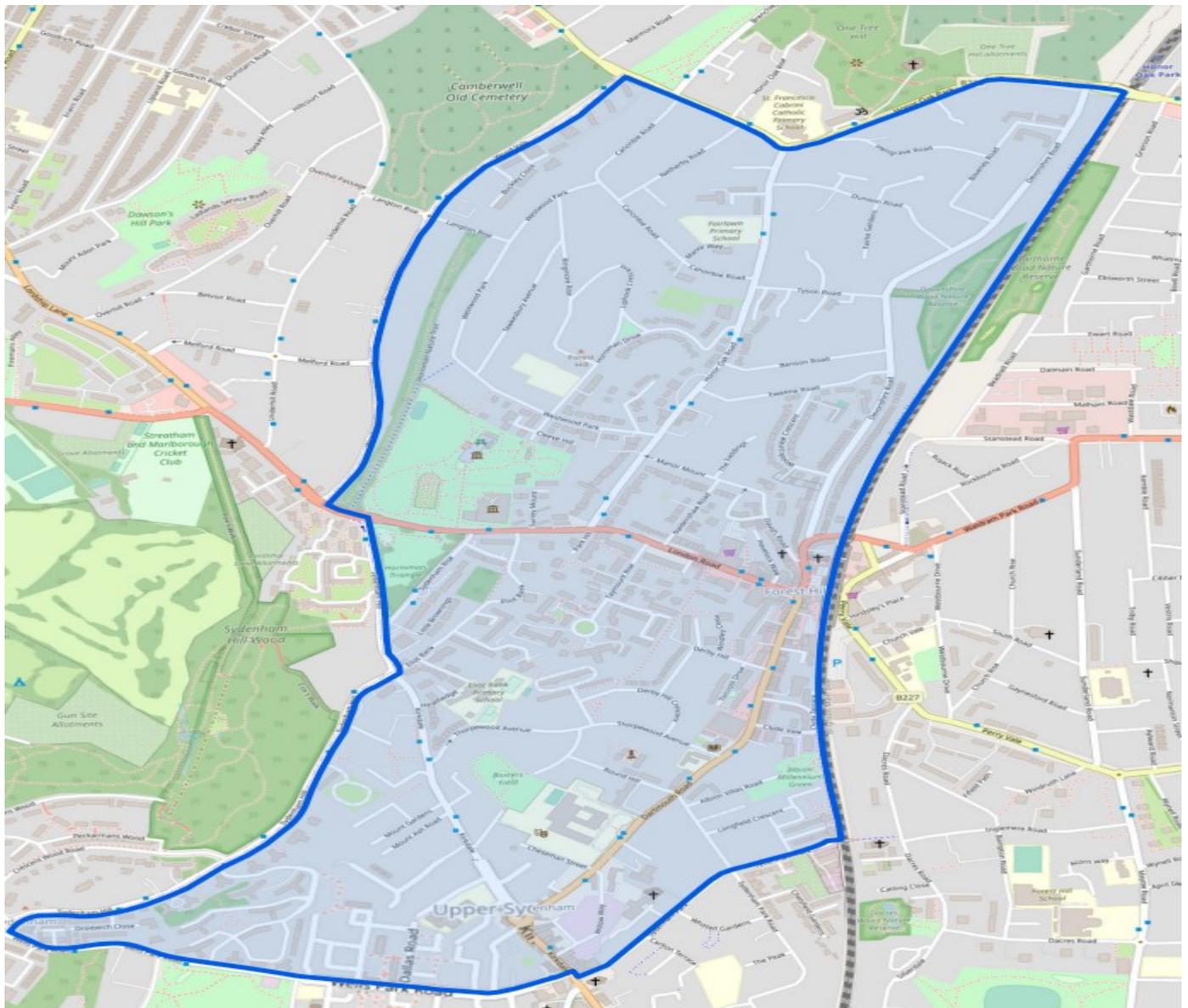
Patrol radius & routes

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

Foot patrols are going to be increased due to the additional officer and we will aim to target particular areas which have reported ASB and Crime.

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

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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!!