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Tandridge Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter

Bulletin 14 June 30th – July 15th 2026

Dear Residents

Over the last two months there have been some catalytic converter thefts across Surrey including one in Whyteleafe last week. This is a metal device that sits under your car near the engine and helps to clean exhaust fumes. Your car insurance isn't valid without one, and they're crucial to the smooth running of your vehicle.

Catalytic converters are stolen because they contain valuable metals such as platinum, rhodium or palladium. Hybrid vehicles such as Lexus are particularly at risk because their catalytic converters are less frequently exposed to hot exhaust gases and the metals stay in better condition for longer, making them more valuable when sold on.

To deter potential thieves, park close to building entrances or the nearest road in public car parks, so that your car is more visible to passers-by and less likely to be an attractive target for thieves. Consider investing in a video doorbell, CCTV and motion sensor lighting for the front of your property that can double as a burglary deterrent.

If you see what you think is a catalytic converter theft in progress (car jacked up on the street or in car parks, loud sound of metal being cut underneath), do not approach those involved. We have previously received reports of members of the public being assaulted by thieves and seriously injured when they tried to intervene. Call 999 from a safe distance and give us as much detail as you can instead.

Inspector Rob Staplehurst
Tandridge Borough Commander

CRIME REPORTS IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Our Response Team and Safer Neighbourhood Team deal with a variety of incidents. Here are a few they dealt with since the last Bulletin.



There were 14 Arrests in the period June 22nd 2026 to July 6th 2026 : Domestic Abuse / Violent Domestic Abuse 7 , Immigration 2, Child at Risk 1 , Prescribed Limit Offence 2 , Alcohol Related 2 .

On July 9th a male was seen driving whilst using his phone in Burstow and subsequently was arrested after failing a drug test.

On July 10th a male driver was seen to be driving at excess speed in Whyteleafe. He was stopped and subsequently arrested for failing to co-operate and driving whilst unfit through drink/drugs.

On July 10th in Caterham a male was arrested after failing to stop for police, possession of Class B cannabis with intent to supply and possession of a Class A drug.

In Whyteleafe on July 13th a female was stopped for driving at excess speed. She was subsequently arrested after failing a drug test. Also on July 13th in Caterham a vehicle was stopped for excess speed and the male driver subsequently arrested for driving a vehicle whilst unfit through drugs.

A car was stopped in Nutfield on July 15th as it had a marker on it for potentially coned index plates and being involved in an attempted theft of a moped last month. The driver was subsequently arrested after failing a drug test.

If your area is NOT referred to below it is because we have not been informed of the crime or it has not been affected by reported crime in the categories below. Feedback from you will help to achieve the most appropriate circulation of information.

LINGFIELD, OUTWOOD AND SMALLFIELD

Burglary Residential including Sheds and Garages

Plough Road, Smallfield. Between June 28th and July 5th a window of a mobile home was smashed and handbags were stolen (PR45260080254).

Criminal Damage

Lingfield Common Road, Lingfield. Around 10.05 July 1st the front sitting room window of a house was smashed by a sling shot and silver ball (PR45260078198).

Careys Wood, Smallfield. Between 12.00 and 17.00 July 6th a pellet was fired at an upstairs window smashing it (PR45260081109).

Theft

Rookery Hill, Outwood. Between June 30th and July 2nd the chain on a gate was cut and an Ifor Williams trailer and Sunward digger were stolen (PR45260078895).

GODSTONE, BLETCHINGLEY AND SOUTH GODSTONE

Burglary Residential including Sheds and Garages

Lagham Park, South Godstone. Between 08.00 and 16.15 July 8th. Tools were taken from the victim's shed to break open the rear French doors of a house. An untidy search took place but nothing appeared to have been taken (PR45260081675).

Carlton Road, South Godstone. Overnight July 8th to 9th a quantity of piping/radiators and tools were stolen from the rear garden of a property under renovation (PR45260082003).

Dewlands, Godstone. Between 09.00 and 14.00 July 15th the bottom panel of a kitchen side door was kicked in and then the top section forced open. Suspects then shut a dog in a downstairs room and conducted an untidy search of the first floor. Jewellery and a blue pillow case were stolen (PR45260084957).

Criminal Damage

Coneybury, Bletchingley. Overnight July 6th to 7th a downstairs window was damaged by a projectile probably fired from a catapult (PR45260081237).

Vehicle Crime

Byers Lane, South Godstone – Attempt Theft. About 15.30 July 1st the victim who had left a vehicle unlocked saw someone in the driver's side, ran out of a property and the chased off the male suspect who was seen to jump into a black Audi (PR45260078418).

Waterhouse Lane, Bletchingley – Theft. Between June 30th and July 3rd a white Mercedes Motorhome with white writing on it index DA03MTJ was stolen (PR45260079996).

LIMPSFIELD

Vehicle Crime

Wolfs Row, Limpsfield – Keyless Theft. Overnight July 10th to 11th a black Lexus NX450H index F2SEN was stolen (PR45260083619).

CATERHAM, CATERHAM ON THE HILL, CHALDON , KENLEY AND WHYTELEAFE

Burglary Residential including Sheds and Garages

Coldstream Road, Caterham On The Hill. Around 20.00 July 8th it is believed someone entered a house via a Juliette style door on the second floor of a town house. A Rolex – Black Face sin stainless steel and a gold strap was stolen (PR45260080897).

Theft

High Street, Caterham On The Hill. Around 12.30 July 12th a male stole a 26" wheel NK Mountain Bike with a black pannier on the left of the rack. The male was described as white age around 45, height 5' 10", bald, possibly short hair at the back and sides, wearing a grey shirt, pink shorts and training shoes (PR45260083251).

Vehicle Crime

Farningham Road, Caterham – Theft. Overnight June 30th to July 1st front index plate S22HMB was stolen from a car (PR45260078241).

Birch Avenue, Caterham On The Hill – Keyless Theft. Around 01.33 July 4th a VW Touareg V6 Black Edition Grey Estate index LB23BXH was stolen from a driveway (PR45260080013).

Foxon Lane, Caterham On The Hill – Theft. Around 22.51 July 8th two males were recorded on CCTV climbing onto the roof of a parked van and stealing specialist tripod ladders (PR45260081977).

Banstead Road, Caterham On The Hill – Theft. Overnight July 13th to 14th a wheel was stolen from a car (PR45260084262).

Station Road, Whyteleafe – Theft. Between 08.00 and 15.30 July 7th a catalytic converter was stolen from a Honda Accord (PR45260080850).

Moberly Way, Kenley – Theft. Between 12.00 July 7th and 17.15 July 8th a white Fiat 500 index LS09KDV was stolen (PR45260081912).

Linden Drive, Chaldon – Attempt Theft. Around 00.30 July 15th a male entered the driver's side of a car, pushed the seat back and searched the vehicle. He then went to the passenger side and rummaged through the vehicle. When challenged by the victim he ran off to a waiting car and drove off (PR45260085133).

WARLINGHAM, WOLDINGHAM AND TATSFIELD

Burglary Residential including Sheds and Garages

Park View Road, Woldingham. Between July 1st and 7th a house was broken into and an untidy search was undertaken. It is not known what was stolen at this time (PR45260081780).

Robbery

Glebe Road, Warlingham. Around 18.40 July 14th a young male had arranged to meet a buyer to sell his E bike and £600 had been agreed to be handed over in payment. Three males turned up and one asked to test drive the bike but the victim refused until the cash was handed over. At that point the three males and another who had been hiding round the corner grabbed the victim and took the bike off him (PR45260085089).

Approach Road, Tatsfield. Around 22.23 July 14th the victim was riding his motorcycle when he was cut up by another and had to stop. He was then rushed by a gang of 4 young males and his 300cc motorbike index LB24HRO was stolen (PR45260084645).

Vehicle Crime

Searchwood Road, Warlingham – Theft. Between 08.00 and 20.00 July 8th index plates FL69KKJ were stolen from a car (PR45260081952).

If you have to contact us about a non urgent matter or to provide information on non-urgent suspicious matters or unusual behaviour you have observed which may be useful intelligence for us at a future date please email

Tandridge Safer Neighbourhood Team: tandridge@surrey.police.uk
The information you provide will be read and treated in confidence when the staff are next on duty.

We have a portal for circumstances where no crime has been reported, but the suspicious behaviour could potentially be related to a burglary, theft of a vehicle, or catalytic converter, for example. We have a different untidy search we provide to victims and witnesses when a burglary has occurred.
To find out more about the portal and submit your footage visit this link:
<https://surrey.police.uk/suspiciousactivityportal>

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