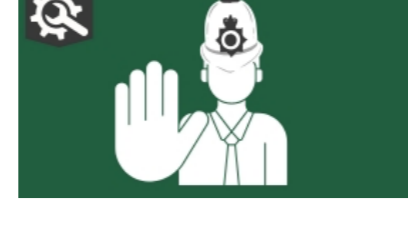


In the know
Surrey



Tandridge Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter

Bulletin 7 March 28th – April 8th 2026

Dear Residents

With nineteen years of operational and leadership experience across the organisation, I'm pleased to introduce myself as the new Borough Commander for Tandridge.

Throughout my career, I've been committed to delivering high-quality service, building strong partnerships, and supporting teams to perform at their best. I am excited to be taking on this role, and I would like to take the opportunity to thank Inspector Whitley for all her hard work over the years as the previous Borough Commander and wish her all the best in her new role.

I'm looking forward to working closely with our staff, partners, and local communities as we continue to deliver effective, professional, and compassionate policing across the Borough

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.



A prolific shoplifter who targeted shops across East Surrey has been sentenced and handed a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO).

Scott Matthews, 49 (DOB: 20/09/1976), from Sutton, is a prolific thief who targeted shops in Caterham and Reigate between August and October last year.

In January, Matthews pleaded guilty to one count of theft.

At Croydon Crown Court on Wednesday, 18th March, he was sentenced to two years in prison, suspended for two years.

Matthews was also given a CBO which prohibits him from entering Caterham or Reigate under any circumstances.

The order is in effect until 18th March 2028. Breaches of a CBO can lead to a term in prison or a fine.

PC Kev Stimson from our Tandridge Safer Neighbourhood Team said: "Matthews is a persistent offender whose actions have caused a lot of distress to businesses, their staff and members of the public in our community. I hope this outcome and the CBO shows that this behaviour will not be tolerated.

"Swift reporting and collaboration remain key to tackling this type of offending so if you witness an incident of shoplifting, please tell us as soon as possible."



There were 32 Arrests in the period March 23rd 2026 to April 5th 2026 : Domestic Abuse / Violent Domestic Abuse 13, Violent Crime Other 1, Prescribed Limit 2, Theft 1, Alcohol Related 1, Violent Crime Public Place 4, Drunk/Drug in charge 1, Child at Risk 4, Assault on Police 1, Conspiracy to Commit Theft 2, Crime Other 1, Drug Related 1.

Following a single vehicle road traffic collision in Whyteleafe on April 2nd the male driver was arrested after failing a roadside breath test.

In Whyteleafe on April 7th a male driver was arrested and subsequently charged after failing a roadside breath test and a further test in custody.

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.

DORMANSLAND

Burglary Residential including Sheds and Garages

New Farthingdale, Dormansland. Between 00.01 and 0804 April 8th the padlocks were cut off a shed and a nail gun, topping chain saw and a bar chain were stolen (PR45260040057).

SOUTH NUTFIELD AND SOUTH GODSTONE

Vehicle Crime

Easter Way, South Godstone – Keyless Theft. Between 21.30 and 22.30 March 28th a tipper truck was stolen but it had a Tracker fitted and was recovered in South Nutfield (PR45260035377).

OXTED AND HURST GREEN

Vehicle Crime

Bluehouse Lane, Oxted – Theft. Overnight March 31st to April 1st the rear boot opening/light/rear camera module was stolen from a VW ID5 car (PR45260037543).

Pollards Oak Road, Hurst Green – Keyless Theft. Around 22.16 April 6th a grey Nissan Duke index BA19HUP was stolen from a driveway. The victim ran out of the house and saw a male wearing a balaclava and dark clothing and believed he was shot at by a catapult (PR45260039550).

WHYTELEAFE

Vehicle Crime

Maple Close, Whyteleafe – Keyless Theft. Between 10.00 and 21.00 April 8th a grey BMW X5 index LO17EPE was stolen (PR45260040415).

WARLINGHAM, TATSFIELD

Theft

Limpsfield Road, Warlingham. Around 00.25 March 27th three individuals came on to a farm broke into a container and stole a Honda Suzuki King Quad Bike (PR45260035291).

Farleigh Court Road, Warlingham. Overnight March 28th to 29th a red Suzuki King Quad 750 was stolen from a workshop (PR45260036112).

Criminal Damage

Chestnut Avenue, Tatsfield. Between 15.00 and 23.59 March 29th for the second time in a week a motorbike was driven over the greens of Park Wood Golf Club causing damage (PR45260036485).

Westmore Green, Tatsfield. Overnight April 3rd to 4th a bronze statue of a boy and girl playing leapfrog, that was situated near the Tatsfield Village pond was damaged after the head of the boy was completely broken off (PR45260038658).

Vehicle Crime

Harrow Road, Warlingham – Theft. Overnight March 31st to April 1st index plates G64TUJ were stolen from a van (PR45260037705).

Hillbury Close, Warlingham – Theft. Around 11.00 April 1st a circular saw, wallet and £600 of cash were stolen from a van by three suspects who were in VW Golf on cloned index plates (PR45260037708).

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM CONTACTS

BOROUGH COMMANDER

INSPECTOR ROB STAPLEHURST 4862

NORTH TANDRIDGE

PS 3939 WAYNE STEPHENS
PC 40300 KEVIN STIMSON

CATERHAM VALLEY, CATERHAM HILL, CHALDON, WHYTELEAFE, WARLINGHAM, WOLDINGHAM, TATSFIELD & TITSEY

PC 40026 CHRIS WHEELER
PCSO 19007 GEORGIA KIDD

MID TANDRIDGE

PS 2794 DAN KITE

OXTED, HURST GREEN, LIMPSFIELD & CROWHURST

PC 42070 SABRINA BOSINI
PCSO 17372 LISA COBBY
PCSO 19009 GEORGIA RUTHNUM

GODSTONE, SOUTH GODSTONE, BLINDLEY HEATH, NUTFIELD, SOUTH NUTFIELD & BLECHINGLEY

PC 2798 GLENN NICOLAS
PCSO 17372 LISA COBBY
PCSO 19009 GEORGIA RUTHNUM

SOUTH TANDRIDGE

PS 2794 DAN KITE

LINGFIELD, DORMANSLAND AND FELBRIDGE

PC 40292 LEE NEWMAN
PCSO 12437 CONRAD CHEESEMAN

SMALLFIELD, BURSTOW, OUTWOOD, HORNE

PC 40708 DAN PARSONS
PCSO 12437 CONRAD CHEESEMAN

COVERING ALL TANDRIDGE AREAS

PC 42143 SOPHIE JACKS

RURAL OFFICER – PCSO 12670 CLAIRE OWEN

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT OFFICER – PC 41040 MOLLY WRIGHT
PC 41584 STEPH DE SOUSA

OFFICE MANAGERS – 15645 MOIRA
13890 AMY ORD

TANDRIDGE SNT OFFICE CONTACT 101 OR Tandridge@surrey.police.uk

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 unique link 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>

How to contact us with information when we issue Witness Appeals or Appeals for information

- Webchat on the right hand side of the Surrey Police homepage at <https://surrey.police.uk>
- Online <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ua/tell-us-about/cor/tell-us-about-existing-case-report/>
- Calling us on 101

Any recipient of Neighbourhood Alert is free to copy our Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter to any other interested party who can also register to receive the bulletin at: <https://neighbourhoodalert.co.uk>

You can read past editions on the Tandridge Neighbourhood Watch website www.tandridgenhw.org if you click on the tab headed Police Tandridge Beat Facebook Page

Are you following our Tandridge Beat Facebook page? Find news and updates from the Safer Neighbourhood Team. We have a growing audience and would love you to join us.

Spread the word and share Tandridge Beat Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/TandridgePolice>

Don't forget you can also tweet us on X: @TandridgeBeat

Just a gentle reminder that our Safer Neighbourhood Team mail box, Facebook and X account are not monitored 24/7. To report incidents please call 101 or in an emergency 999.

If you wish to report a NON URGENT crime visit:
<https://www.surrey.police.uk>

Reply to this message

Share Share

Message Sent By
Neil Barnes
(Surrey Police, Community Engagement Volunteer Safer Neighbourhood Team, Tandridge)

