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LONDON ROAD

This newsletter is all about the positive actions and results that Broad Green Safer Neighbourhood Team, Fairfield Safer Neighbourhood Team and Town Centre Teams have achieved along London Road, and West Croydon.

Please see below for the most recent operations that are running in and around London Road and the Town Centre.



Operation Veyvah

Operation Veyvah is led by Fairfield Safer Neighbourhood Team and although this operation is not running along London Road, it will have an impact of illegal e-scooters and mopeds that cause a nuisance in all areas of Croydon.

This operation came about by Fairfield and Town Centre Teams receiving numerous complaints from Businesses, the BID Team, Tram company and general members of the public who are concerned for their safety along the main routes that connect Croydon Town Centre and London Road.

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The primary intention of this operation is to deploy teams around North End junction with George Street, Church Street and the High Street to improve pedestrian safety, to engage with those riding e-scooters, e-bikes which have been modified and mopeds to educate with a leaflet and prevent, disrupt and deter offences from being committed i.e. Driving / Riding other than on a road, Driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence, no Insurance etc, along with this focus safety for everyone. During the most recent deployment there were 3 arrests, 4 e-bikes/scooters were seized and multiple tickets were issued.

Operation SANDBERG

Broad Green Safer Neighbourhood Team and Fairfield Safer Neighbourhood Team responded to numerous complaints and concerns regarding Street drinkers loitering in the Town Centre and causing anti-social behaviour.

To combat such behaviour we have what is known as a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) which Croydon Council have put in place. This order states that you are not allowed to: -

1. Consume alcohol, or be in possession of an open container of alcohol, except in premises with a licence.
2. Behave in a manner, either as an individual or within a group of people which causes or is likely to cause harassment alarm or distress.

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3. Urinate in a public place, except a public toilet.

The intention is to engage the street drinkers, seize the alcohol which in turn will reduce the Anti-Social Behaviour. A form will then be completed by the Police to Croydon Councils Anti Social Behaviour Team informing them that a Breach has taken place, the council will then take forward any action needed or referrals made. See page 5 for PSPO Map.

I would also like to hear from you if you have any questions for our management team that you would like answered. These questions can not be about a personal issue you are having, as the question

Operation REDWOOD

Op Redwood is the weapons crime pilot in Croydon Town Centre, to tackle youth violence, offensive weapons and high harm individuals. Following a surge day on London Road with the Territorial Support Group, a large group of drug dealers were stopped. Two arrests were made, one for Possession with Intent to Supply and the other for Handling Stolen Goods.

Violence Against Women and Girls

There is now a dedicated proactive officer to tackle Violence Against Women and Girls. She has been setting up operations to tackle prolific offenders. This led to an arrest of an offender exposing themselves in public who is now in prison. The work continues and she is currently engaging with local businesses to improve the area. If you have any information that may help her then please see the information on how to report crime.

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Useful Information and Contacts

If you have any questions or queries for the team then please submit them to: -

SNMailbox.BroadGreenSNT@met.police.uk

Crimestoppers

Crimestoppers is an independent Charity, whose purpose is for people to come forward anonymously with information, this then allows you and your community the ability to speak up and stop crime. You can either ring them on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org and fill out an online form.

Or if you are a young person you can visit www.fearless.org where you can access non-judgemental information and advice about crime. The web site also provides a safe place to give information about crime anonymously.

Anonymous means your identity is completely unknown. Crimestoppers or Fearless won't ask you for your name or any personal details, they won't ask for your gender or age, they won't record any personal details you might have mentioned, and they can't physically trace your email address or IP address. You're 100% Anonymous.

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Public Space Protection Order Map.

