

A welcome reduction from last month's high of 26 reported crimes to 18 for the month of September 2019, although the total for the whole of Southfields Ward increased to 131 from 126.

Once again no road in the SGRA area had more than 5 reported crimes (Hanford Close & Merton Road). In all other roads there were 2 or less offences with 6 roads having 1 crime and 5 having none.

Looking at offences, vehicle crime reduced by one from 7 (August) to 6 (September), but public order went up from zero to 4. All other offences reported were 2 or less.

At the SGRA open meeting in September attention was drawn to the increase in thefts reported of catalytic converters, especially from hybrid cars such as Toyota Prius, although other makes of hybrids are also affected. There have been cases of thefts of catalytic converters from petrol and diesel vehicles for many years. It seems that a hybrid vehicle used properly on electric power has a much cleaner 'cat' which is therefore more valuable to thieves!! It is believed that there have been so many thefts of 'cats' from these vehicles, using a process which takes less than a minute to do, that there is now a shortage of replacement parts which could result in a lengthy delay in getting a vehicle back on the road. It is suggested that owners/drivers of the affected vehicles establish which side of the vehicle the catalytic converter is located and ensure that the affected side is parked closer to the kerb or a high wall.

Crime Figures for Southfields Grid & Pirbright Road

September 2019

September 2019	Burglary	Anti-Social Behaviour	Robbery	Vehicle Crime	Violence & Sexual Offences	Public Order & Weapons	Shoplifting	Criminal Damage & Arson	Other Theft	Drugs	Other Crime	Total
Replingham Road				1								1
Brookwood Road				1								1
Lavenham Road				1								1
Revelstoke Road												0
Elsenham Street	1											1
Heythorp Street												0
Clonmore Street					1							1
Engadine Street												0
Elborough Street												0
Trentham Street				1								1
Astonville Street												0
Hanford Close		1		1		1			2			5
Pirbright Road				1				1				2
Merton Road	1	1				3						5
Total	2	2	0	6	1	4	0	1	2	0	0	18



All Crimes reported in Southfields Ward in September 2019: 131

Stop & Searches in September 2019 [2]: Merton Road on/near Petrol Station – Offensive Weapons (2)

+Off-Grid:

Wimbledon Park Road (West Hill Ward) – on or near former petrol station [5]: Burglary (1), Vehicle Crime (2), Violence & Sexual Offences (1), Other Theft (1),

Heritage Wimbledon Park: (0)

[West Hill (LB of W): Village (LB of M): Wimbledon Park (LB of M)]

[Information extracted from the Crime Maps for Southfields Ward from www.police.uk]

New data for Southfields Ward has been published on Police.uk.

Here is a brief summary of the crime information for the past two months:

	September 2019	October 2019
All crime	131	151
Anti-social behaviour	26	30
Bicycle theft	5	4
Burglary	8	9
Criminal damage and arson	4	6
Drugs	2	3
Other crime	3	3
Other theft	15	15
Possession of weapons	3	0
Public order	2	6
Robbery	12	10
Shoplifting	4	7
Theft from the person	3	4
Vehicle crime	26	31
Violence and sexual offences	18	23

Please visit <https://www.police.uk/shape/0BCMX9/> for more information including outcomes for these crimes and contact information for your local policing team.