

SGRA Crime Report for March 2020

March 2020 brought two significant changes to our lives in the SGRA area, the first involving compilation of the monthly crime figures from www.police.uk from which our local crime figures are derived and then published. The date of an internal change as to which police force was to publish the crime statistics for England, Wales and Northern Ireland was well known, how it would affect the publication of local crime figures was not. The new system started a week after the second change to our lives, the countrywide lockdown due to Coronavirus and as a result local police crime statistics were not available for some time as not surprisingly police resources were diverted to managing the police response to Covid-19.

.Normal service has now been resumed, although like most 'improvements' it's a matter of one step forward, two backwards; more effort involved to obtain comparable figures to the time before March and to then publish them in the same format.

Unfortunately although reported crimes in March for Southfields Ward were slightly down on February's figures (124 Mar, 126 Feb) there was a substantial increase in crimes on the Grid and Pirbright Road from 20 in February to 35 in March.

Once again there were more vehicle crimes reported in our area in March than any other offences with twelve, up one from February and making up almost a third of crime reported in the SGRA area. All other offences reported were five or under.

Looking now at roads in the SGRA area all but four of the fourteen roads in our area have four or less reported offences this month, the exceptions being Astonville Street with five and Merton and Revelstoke Roads with eight apiece. Five of the reported offences in Revelstoke are vehicle crimes, the highest of any of our roads this month.

Detailed crime figures for the SGRA area together with those parts of West Hill Ward which are in the vicinity of Southfields Underground Station and Wimbledon Park Road are on the SGRA website. You will be pleased to know that with the relaunch of www.police.com that they have finally realised that 'on or near former petrol station' should be replaced by 'on or near supermarket'!!

Crime Figures for Southfields Grid & Pirbright Road

March 2020

March 2020	Anti-Social Behaviour	Burglary	Criminal Damage & Arson	Drugs	Other Crime	Other Theft	Public Order & Weapons	Robbery	Shoplifting	Vehicle Crime	Violence & Sexual Offences	Total
Replingham Road	1	1			1	1						4
Brookwood Road	1									1		2
Lavenham Road										2		2
Revelstoke Road			1							5	2	8
Elsenham Street											2	2
Heythorp Street												0
Clonmore Street		1								1		2
Engadine Street										1		1
Elborough Street												0
Trentham Street												0
Astonville Street			3							1	1	5
Hanford Close										1		1
Pirbright Road												0
Merton Road				1	2	4	1					8
Total	2	2	4	1	3	5	1	0	0	12	5	35



All Crimes reported in Southfields Ward in March 2020: 124

Stop & Searches in March 2020: (1): Merton Road – Controlled Drugs (1)

+Off-Grid:

Wimbledon Park Road (West Hill Ward) – on or near Supermarket (12): Burglary (3), Vehicle Crime (3), Violent & Sexual Offences (3), Other Crime (3).

Southfields LU Station (British Transport Police) (2): Other Theft (1), Theft from the Person (1).

Heritage Wimbledon Park: (2) – ASB (2)

[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:

	February 2020	March 2020
All crime	126	124
Anti-social behaviour	12	20
Bicycle theft	2	1
Burglary	11	10
Criminal damage and arson	14	5
Drugs	7	5
Other crime	1	1
Other theft	8	15
Possession of weapons	1	2
Public order	8	6
Robbery	1	1
Shoplifting	8	5
Theft from the person	5	2
Vehicle crime	26	21
Violence and sexual offences	22	30