

Sutton Youth Newsletter

In partnership with Sutton Police, Sutton Local Authority - Cognus and Sutton Young Commissioners (Volunteer Centre Sutton).

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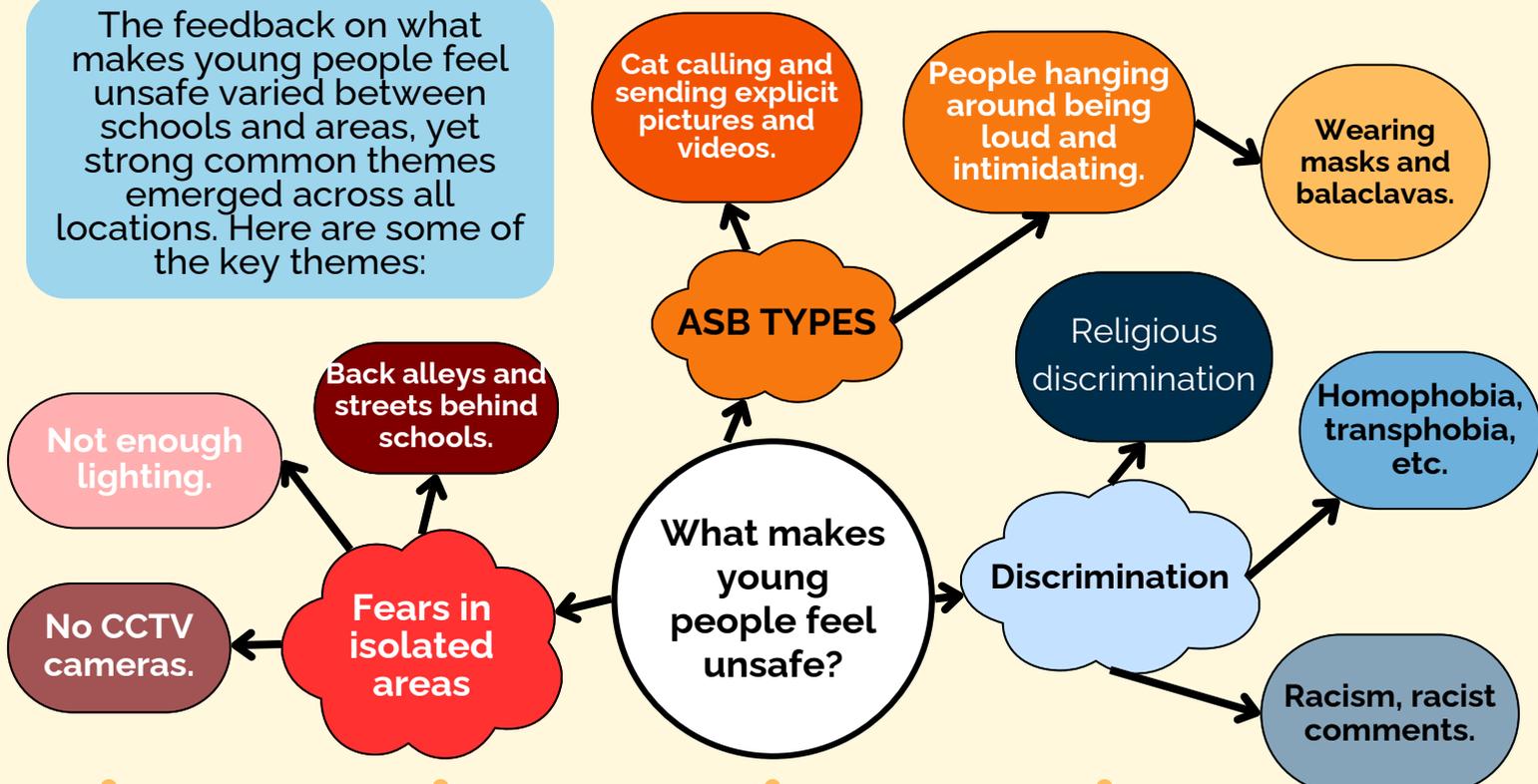


PC 3182 Hamilton recently learned that not every young person in the borough has seen the feedback and responses from the New Met for London Youth meeting held earlier this year. To address this, here is a summary of the three key subjects discussed, the Q&A session and proposed solutions. Additionally, be on the lookout for upcoming videos on the Sutton Police Instagram and Facebook pages that will cover each of these subjects in more detail.



Feeling Safe, what makes you feel unsafe and why?

The feedback on what makes young people feel unsafe varied between schools and areas, yet strong common themes emerged across all locations. Here are some of the key themes:



Do the youth trust the police? Why and why not?

Again, the feedback on how much young people trust the police was varied between schools, with one school in particular reporting having particularly low trust. These are some of the reasons young people gave for not trusting the police.



Police Stop and Search

Tips and conditions for Stop and Searches

1. If you are ever stopped by an officer, be calm and patient. Talk to the officer as if it's a conversation.
2. Officers are required to record everything, so avoid being abusive, rude or aggressive. Likewise If an officer has treated you unfairly than you can file a complain and ask to review the footage.
3. Ask why you have been stopped, and ensure they are checking for that item.
4. Ask the officer for a search record. Make a note of his/her shoulder number, location and time of the search, in case you wish to provide feedback.
5. An officer will ask you, What you are to, Where you have been, Your name, Your address and Your date of birth. You DO NOT have to give these if you don't want to, unless the officer says they are reporting you for an offence.

For more information visit: vcsutton.org.uk/young-commissioners/safety/

Police Q&A

Q. Have there been any recent investments or changes to the local High Street to improve safety? For example, CCTV, more police presence etc.

A. There are now 2 Town Centre Team Officers covering day & night. CCTV – There are a large number of cameras already on the high street

Q. How are police planning to improve local safety in the near future?

A. The Police as part of The New MET For London are looking to increase visibility in The Borough through Safer Neighbourhood, Schools & Youth Engagement Teams.

Q. Sutton Station – After recent events teenagers feel exposed, lack of posters with helplines, feel uncomfortable, frightened & apprehensive.

A. The Youth Engagement Team & Sutton Council are looking at having more visual awareness in, on & around public transport in the near future

CCTV – The use of mobile CCTV Cameras across The Borough for short periods of time at different locations identified by pupils will be implemented around September 2024 from information on Street Safe.

Online Safety – This requires more education in schools however this is the responsibility of all of us – yourselves, Police, Schools and Parents/Guardians.

High Street Presence – A project from Be Inspired & Youth Engagement Team has been approved by Sutton Council for engagement on Sutton High Street during Term Time directly after School. This will include sport classes & other fun things to do in order to directly combat ASB. This is looking at starting by September 2024.

Solutions

Please go to

www.police.uk/streetsafe

This is where you can let us know where you feel unsafe in the borough and the information provided helps us to establish where best to place resources, better lighting and CCTV.

Knife Crime – A project has been approved that will combat this growing concern. We are looking at September/October as a starting point for this work which will include direct work in Schools and the Community.

TFL Crime Reporting

Number is 61016 - This number allows you to report incidents on public transport directly to TFL. Please remember that the CCTV is deleted every 7 days so please report incidents within 7 days to secure evidence.

Important information! Schools officers have recently changed which schools they will be supporting:

PC 3105 Lawrence



- Carew Academy
- Carshalton High School for Girls
- St. Philomena's
- Sherwood Park School
- The Link School
- Wallington County Grammar School

The Schools Officer for Brookways & Glenthorne High Schools will be confirmed soon

PC 3360 Hall



- Carshalton Boys Sports College
- Carshalton College
- Wandle Valley Academy

PC 3669 Watson



- John Fisher School
- Oaks Park High School
- STARS (Sutton Tuition and Reintegration Service)
- Wallington High School for Girls
- Wilson's School

PC 3308 Clark (left) & PC 3102 Dalton (right)



- Cheam High School
- Harris Academy Sutton
- Nonsuch High School for Girls
- Sutton High School
- The Limes College

PC 3257 Bukhari (left) & PC 3189 Samms (right)



- Greenholm School
- Greenshaw High School
- Overton Grange School
- Sutton Grammar School

For more information and to access past newsletters on safety created by the Young Commissioners in collaboration with the MET Police, please go to this link:

<https://vcsutton.org.uk/young-commissioners/safety/>