

MINUTES of the MEETING of the COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE held at THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY 14 JULY 2021 at 7.00 PM

**PRESENT:** Councillor Peter Harris – Chairman  
Councillor Peter Harman– Vice-Chairman  
Councillor Anita Barham  
Councillor Emma Ben Moussa  
Councillor Sue Butterfill  
Councillor Lorna Cross  
Councillor Lesley Howes

**ALSO PRESENT:** Graham Blew – Town Clerk  
Martin Harding – Assistant Town Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer  
PCSO Alan Mitchell – Kent Police  
Councillor David Mote – Dartford Borough Council  
Lewis Gilbert – Swanscombe Neighbourhood Watch

**ABSENT:** There were none.

**99/21-22. ARRANGEMENTS AND CONSTRAINTS REGARDING FILMING OR RECORDING THE MEETING.**

The Chairman explained the arrangements and constraints relating to the filming or recording of the meeting.

**100/21-22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Jay Shah, due to medical reasons.

Apologies were also received from Billy Unsworth (Community Warden, Kent County Council) and Katie Buckingham (PlayPlace).

**Recommended:** That the reasons for absence, for the Councillors listed, be formally accepted and approved.

**101/21-22. SUBSTITUTES.**

There were none.

**102/21-22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

There were none.

***As per Standing Order 34 c) the Chairman adjourned the meeting at this point to allow members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business being transacted at the meeting.***

**103/21-22. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN / MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES AND THEIR POSITION ON THE AGENDA.**

There were none.

**104/21-22. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY 2020.**

**Recommended:** That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 February 2020 be confirmed and signed as a true record.

**105/21-22. POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS (PCSO) REPORT.**

PCSO Alan Mitchell provided an update on recent activity and investigations undertaken in the areas of Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

Members had the opportunity to ask PCSO Mitchell questions in relation to both his report and raise matters of concern.

**Recommended:** That the report be noted and PCSO Mitchell be thanked for his attendance

**106/21-22. KCC COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT.**

KCC Warden Unsworth had submitted his apologies for this meeting and been unable to provide a report.

**Recommended:** That the absence be noted.

**107/21-22. COMMUNITY SAFETY LIAISON.**

Local schools – Councillor Ben Moussa confirmed the recent installation of CCTV camera's outside Manor Community Primary School.

Youth services / officers – A report was read out from Katie Buckingham from PlayPlace:

*We to have a regular number of attendees ranging from the age of 12 to 19.*

*They are a good group of young people who have committed themselves to the club. They attend regularly and engage openly with the staff team about a range of personal issues that are impacting them.*

*While the group that we work with don't have any anti-social concerns, they bring a range of personal concerns from relationships, identity queries, school/exam pressures and health and well-being worries that they talk through with the staff that they have built a strong and trusting relationship with.*

*The group often bring with them new friends and partners that they are pleased to introduced to the youth workers which provides a good opportunity to support them when relationships are new or break down.*

*On the occasions when the young people are unable to attend the team go on outreach in the area to try and engage with any young people that are out, but have not reported any concerns.*

*We are excited to be offering a new service across Dartford that aims to help with the digital divide that has been identified over the pandemic and have purchased a van that will bring a range of technology, craft and sports to various areas across Dartford. In addition to delivering a detached session in Swanscombe every Thursday from 4-6pm term time as well as providing earlier sessions during the school holidays, the van will also be at Broomfield Park every Wednesday 7:30-9pm. We aim for this service to commence in the next couple of weeks.*

Kent Fire Service – Councillor Harman confirmed that crews had recently attended a fire in Irving Walk.

Neighbourhood Watch – The Chairman updated that whilst the Ingress Park Neighbourhood Watch group had regular police contact, the newly formed group from Worcester Park, Stone did not.

Lewis Gilbert from Swanscombe Neighbourhood Watch introduced himself and updated on the activities of the group, including police liaison, publicity, signage for the Town and efforts to better engage with elderly members of the community. On behalf of the meeting the Chairmen thanked Lewis for his attendance and all the work being undertaken by the Swanscombe Neighbourhood Watch.

Community Speed Watch – The Chairman updated that recent sessions in Ingress Park had resulted in 3 people being caught exceeding the limit and that new speed indication boards were being proposed for Ingress Park Avenue.

Dartford Borough Council (CSU) – Councillor David Mote updated that the CCTV cameras recently installed at Manor School had also been installed at x2 other schools within the borough.

Kent County Council – KCC Member Peter Harman confirmed that Kent Highways were still investigating the replacement of the speed humps and raised table on Southfleet Road with smaller versions.

**Recommended:** That those who provided reports be thanked and the information be noted.

108/21-22. **DETAILED ANALYSIS OF CRIME STATISTICS FOR SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE.**

Members were provided and discussed the up-to-date detailed analysis of crime figures for Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

**Recommended:** That the information be noted.

109/21-22. **CURRENT CRIME RELATED ISSUES.**

Having previously discussed the issue of off-road motorbikes during the PCSO's report nothing further was added during this item.

**Recommended:** That the update previously provided by the PCSO be noted.

110/21-22. **DELEGATION TO CONDUCT NORMAL BUSINESS DURING RECESS PERIOD.**

Members were requested to delegate authority to the Town Clerk, in accordance with section 101 (1) (a) of the Local Government Act 1972, to conduct the normal business of the Council during the recess period. The Town Clerk will consult with the Town Mayor, if appropriate, before any business is transacted. If any emergencies do occur during this time the Executive & Emergency Committee would be convened.

**Recommended** That, in accordance with section 101 (1) (a) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Town Clerk be delegated authority to conduct the normal business of the Council during the recess period

There were no confidential items for discussion.

There being no further business to transact, the Meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Date

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## Greenhithe

July 2021

Information provided by: PCSO Alan Mitchell Dartford CSU

### Crimes of note:

- 09.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – Mounts Road – vehicle entered overnight; items taken
- 09.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – Bean Road – vehicle entered; item taken
- 09.07.2021 – Affray – High Street – multiple persons fighting causing injuries
- 10.07.2021 – Theft of a Motor Vehicle – London Road – motorbike stolen
- 12.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – London Road – Windscreen wiper blades removed
- 13.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – Bean Road – forced entry to van, stole tools
- 13.07.2021 – Other Criminal Damage – Valley View – new play equipment vandalised
- 13.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – Kemsley Close – front window smashed; bag taken
- 15.07.2021 – Theft if not classified elsewhere – London Road – parcel taken by unknown person
- 23.07.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – London Road – catalytic converter removed
- 23.07.2021 – Theft or Unauthorised taking of a pedal cycle – Parkwood Hill – bike removed from park
- 25.07.2021 – Other Criminal Damage to a vehicle – Bean Road – vehicle keyed overnight
- 29.07.2021 - Other Criminal Damage to a vehicle – Knockhall Road – vehicle window smashed overnight

### Anti-social behaviour and other incidents of note:

- Nuisance vehicles - Crossways Boulevard – regular patrols of the area
- Nuisance Youths – Mounts – youths entering construction site and swimming in lake – linking in with site security



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## Items of good work:

**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · 15 Jul

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Same car. Different driver. Same result. Seized again as driver was provisional licence holder only with no insurance. CAD 15-1301

#DriveInsured BP



**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · 30 May



Tiltman Avenue, Greenhithe. Disqualified. Uninsured. Seized. CAD 29-0577 #Bosh BP



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**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · 21 Jul

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PCSO ROBERTS & PCSO SMITH have been out on foot patrol this morning saying hello to residents of Ingress Park whilst walking along the Thames.  
[#Sunsout](#) [#ASBAwarenessWeek](#) [#CrimePrevention](#) ^DR



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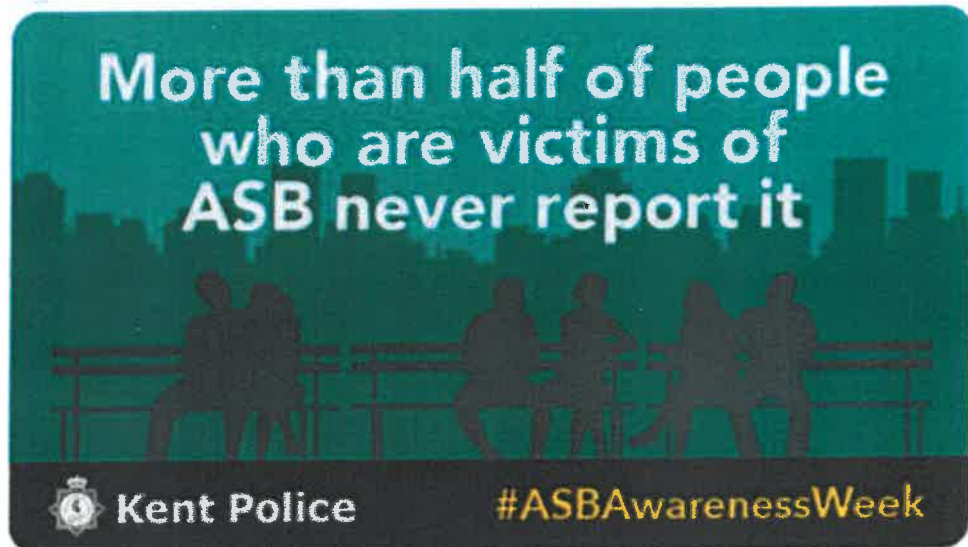
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**Kent Police (UK)** @kent\_police · 21 Jul

If you witness antisocial behaviour taking place you can report it to us via [kent.police.uk/ra/report/asb/](https://kent.police.uk/ra/report/asb/), for more information visit [kent.police.uk/advice/advice-...](https://kent.police.uk/advice/advice-...) #ASBAwarenessWeek



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**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · 23 Jul

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PCSO ROBERTS & PC ROE are out in [#Swanscombe](#) patrolling in the morning sun saying hello to the residents of Ingress Park!  
[#ASBAwarenessWeek](#) ^DR



**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · 29 Jul

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PCSO Mitchell has walked the footpath from the Heritage Park to Knockhall Road AM [#KeepingDartfordSafe](#)



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#KeepingDartfordSafe



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This Jaguar was seen driving at speed in Greenhithe and failed to stop for Team 1. Pursued through Dartford into Wilmington where it was lost but soon found abandoned a few roads away. Checks with the owner revealed it was stolen from Castle Hill 5 minutes before we spotted (1/2)



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July 1<sup>st</sup> till July  
31<sup>st</sup> 2021

## Swanscombe

Information provided by: PCSO Tilly Digby-Baker 61755, Dartford Community Policing Team

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### Crimes of note:

- 07/07 – The Grove – Possession of controlled drug (Class B)
- 16/07 – Wright Close – Theft from Motor Vehicle
- 18/07 – Gunn Road – Theft of Motor vehicle – Vehicle Recovered
- 18/07 – The Grove - Criminal Damage
- 19/07 – The Grove – Criminal Damage
- 20/07 – Milton Road – Theft of motor vehicle
- 20/07- London Road – Theft from motor vehicle
- 21/07- Eglington Road – Vehicle Interference
- 21/07 – Milton Road – Theft of Motor vehicle
- 25/07- Betsham Road – Criminal damage to vehicle
- 25/07 – Ames Road - Theft of Motor vehicle
- 27/07 – Betsham Road – Criminal Damage to vehicle
- 28/07- High Street – Criminal Damage
- 28/07- Milton Road – Theft from Motor vehicle
- 28/07 – Pacific Close – Theft of pedal cycle
- 28/07 – Church Road – Attempted theft of vehicle
- 29/07 – Milton Road – Vehicle Interference
- 31/07 – London Road – possession of controlled drug (class B)



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## Anti-social behaviour and other incidents of note:

- 06/07 - Butcher Walk - Nuisance Motocross Bike – Rider identified, and Area search conducted.
- 07/07 – Butcher Walk – Nuisance Motorbike – Rider identified, and officers attended the address of the rider.
- 08/07 – Butcher Walk – Nuisance Motorbike – Rider Identified and patrols conducted a search of the area.
- 09-07 – Butcher Walk – Nuisance Motorbike – Rider Identified
- 11/07 – Manor Road – Nuisance Vehicle – Rider identified and police attention to the area
- 12/07 – Manor Road – Vehicle Failing to Stop – Driver Identified
- 13/07 – Bodle Avenue – Nuisance Motorbike – Patrol attended and identified rider
- 19/07 – Manor Road – Nuisance Vehicle – Patrols attended and identified rider
- 28/07 – The Parade – Criminal Damage – Crime Report Created

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## Items of good work:

- 05/07- High Visibility patrol around in relation to recent ASB tasking.
- 10/07 – Butchers Walk – Nuisance Motorbike – Rider located and reported for dangerous driving offences
- 16/07- Community meeting with Swanscombe Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator
- 22/07- Meeting with Swanscombe Community Warden.



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- A - Never Assume a caller, email or text is genuine.
- B - Never Believe a caller, email or text is genuine.
- C - Always Confirm by contacting a trusted number or team like Action Fraud, a family member, friend or your bank's fraud department to check if it's genuine.

Please if you hear of someone that has become a victim of a scam encourage them to report it immediately at [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk) or by calling 0300 123 2040.

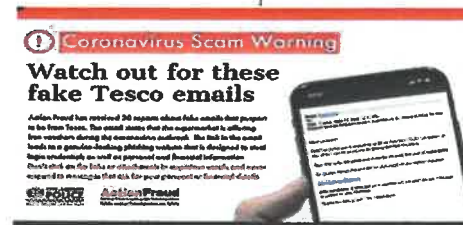
For up to date information via twitter: @actionfrauduk.

[www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/advice/general-advice](http://www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/advice/general-advice)

[www.kent.police.uk/fraud](http://www.kent.police.uk/fraud)

[www.actionfraud.police.uk/what-is-national-fraud-intelligence-bureau](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/what-is-national-fraud-intelligence-bureau).

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## Contact Us:

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**Greenhithe**

**August 2021**

Information provided by: PCSO Alan Mitchell Dartford CSU

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## Crimes of note:

- 02.08.2021 – Criminal Damage to a Residence – North Star Boulevard – damage to front door
- 02.08.2021 – Interference with a Motor Vehicle – Lane Avenue – vehicle on driveway, no entry gained
- 02.08.2021 – Unauthorised Taking of a Motor Vehicle – ASDA – car taken with keys in and phone inside
- 03.08.2021 – Dangerous or out of Control Dog – St. Clements Road – bitten by dog that jumped up
- 05.08.2021 – Interference with a Motor Vehicle – Lane Avenue – attempt to steal vehicle outside address
- 07.08.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – London Road – screws removed for exhaust, which fell off
- 11.08.2021 – Other Criminal Damage – Knockhall Road – play equipment vandalised
- 11.08.2021 - Theft if not classified elsewhere – The Crescent – parcel taken from doorstep
- 12.08.2021 – Theft of a Motor Vehicle – London Road – unknown persons took motorcycle
- 13.08.2021 – Theft if not classified elsewhere – ASDA – headphone taken while in store
- 13.08.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – Lightermans Way – vehicle entered items taken
- 13.08.2021 – Other Criminal Damage to a Vehicle – Ivy Bower Close – window smashed overnight
- 14.08.2021 – Other Criminal Damage – Smugglers Walk – cat poked with sharp stick resulting in wound
- 17.08.2021 – Theft of a Motor Vehicle – Knockhall Road – vehicle taken overnight, keyless entry
- 19.08.2021 – Other Criminal Damage to a vehicle – Lightermans Way – vehicle keyed and wipers bent
- 20.08.2021 - Theft if not classified elsewhere – Mounts Road – 2 parcels delivered in communal area taken
- 21.08.2021 – Theft if not Classified elsewhere – Mounts Road – table & chairs taken aircon unit damaged
- 27.08.2021 – Theft of a Motor Vehicle – Ingress Gardens – vehicle taken from outside address
- 28.08.2021 – Theft from a Motor Vehicle – ASDA – catalytic converter removed from vehicle



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- 31.08.2021 – Burglary – Business and Community – Tiltman Avenue – hole cut in shed tools taken

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## Anti-social behaviour and other incidents of note:

- Nuisance vehicles - Crossways Boulevard – regular patrols of the area
- Nuisance Youths – Ingress Park Avenue – large group of youths’ in park – patrol attended and dispersed
- Nuisance Youths – Frobisher Way – regular patrols of the area

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## Items of good work:

**Kent Police Dartford** @KentPoliceDart · Aug 20 ...  
PCSO Digby-Baker and PCSO Lewis are on foot patrol around Greenhithe and Swanscombe today #SayHi #KentPolice #StaySafe TDB



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Kent Police Dartford @KentPoliceDart · Aug 20

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PCSO Mitchell and Youth Engagement Officer Sundborg has been on foot patrol in Ingress Park [#StaySafe](#) [#KeepingDartfordSafe](#)



Kent Police Dartford @KentPoliceDart · Aug 20

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[#LPT3](#) attended reports of a robbery in progress on Station Road, Greenhithe overnight. With the assistance of [@KPTacOps](#), 2 suspects located and arrested. Two rooms with en-suite booked for their overnight stay in custody. [#KeepingDartfordSafe](#) [#TeamWork](#) CAD 19-1658. JC



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#### Top reported crimes

Most commonly reported crimes during Jul 2021

**Violence and sexual offences 29**

**Anti-social behaviour 9**

**Public order 7**

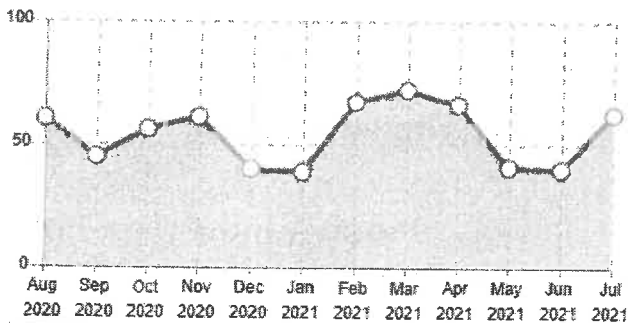
**Criminal damage and arson 4**

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#### Crime levels overview

Crime for last year

#### Crime per Month



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Crime levels overview

Month	Total	Percentage
Aug 2020	60	9.2%
Sep 2020	45	6.9%
Oct 2020	56	8.6%
Nov 2020	61	9.4%
Dec 2020	40	6.2%
Jan 2021	39	6%
Feb 2021	67	10.3%
Mar 2021	72	11.1%
Apr 2021	66	10.2%
May 2021	41	6.3%
Jun 2021	40	6.2%
Jul 2021	62	9.6%

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Sergeant

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^ **Policing priorities**

- **Priority:**

**Action taken:**

- **Priority:**

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**Action taken:**

No update available

Actioned 23 March 2021

^ **Meetings and events**

There are no meetings or events scheduled.

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**Anti-social behaviour 27**

**Criminal damage and arson 14**

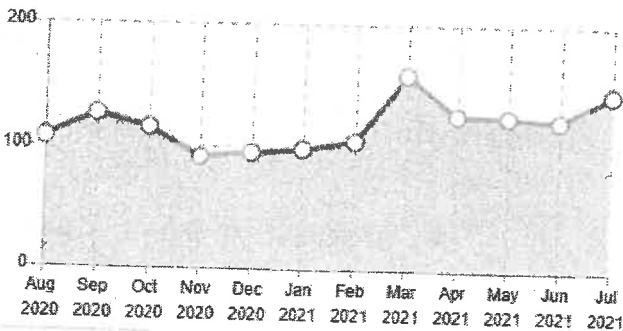
**Vehicle crime 13**

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### Crime levels overview

Crime for last year

#### Crime per Month



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Crime levels overview

Month	Total	Percentage
Aug 2020	107	7.6%
Sep 2020	126	8.9%
Oct 2020	115	8.1%
Nov 2020	91	6.4%
Dec 2020	95	6.7%
Jan 2021	98	6.9%
Feb 2021	105	7.4%
Mar 2021	159	11.2%
Apr 2021	126	8.9%
May 2021	125	8.8%
Jun 2021	122	8.6%
Jul 2021	145	10.3%

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