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Overview

Top reported crimes

Most commonly reported crimes during Dec 2025

Violence and sexual offences 21

Drugs 12

Anti-social behaviour 10

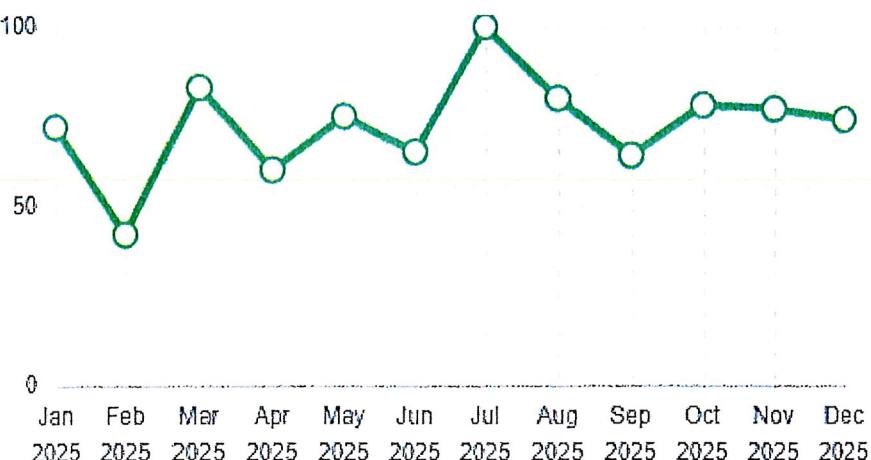
Other theft 10

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Crime levels overview

Crime for last year

Crime per Month



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Crime levels overview

Month	Total	Percentage
Jan 2025	72	8.3%
Feb 2025	42	4.8%
Mar 2025	83	9.5%
Apr 2025	60	6.9%
May 2025	75	8.6%
Jun 2025	65	7.5%
Jul 2025	100	11.5%
Aug 2025	80	9.2%
Sep 2025	64	7.4%
Oct 2025	78	9%
Nov 2025	77	8.9%
Dec 2025	74	8.5%

Your local policing team

✓ About us



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Police constable

Simon Hodge

✓ Policing priorities

- Priority:

Action taken:

- Priority:

Antisocial behaviour.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

PC Hodge has also been active in supporting the community. He has held several coffee with a cop sessions and local surgeries, giving residents a chance to speak with him directly,

receive updates, and get safety advice.

He has carried out high?visibility foot patrols as well as marked and unmarked mobile patrols. This work has helped identify persistent offenders and issue sanctions under the Antisocial Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

We continue to work with local partners to reduce opportunities for antisocial behaviour (ASB). Dartford Borough Council's Housing Team is currently working with us to address a problem area, with a dedicated week of action planned soon.

Recently, an operation with Trading Standards led to the recovery of a large number of illegal vapes. These products were being bought by underage young people who were then involved in ASB?related incidents.

Actioned 19 January 2026

- **Priority:**

Drug dealing.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

PC Hodge has been using his local knowledge of known drug users to focus on areas believed to be used for drug dealing. His high?profile patrols have helped reduce drug use and drug dealing in the area.

He has shared this information with the wider Neighbourhood Team so officers travelling through Swanscombe from Northfleet can include the area in their regular routes. This increased police presence has had a positive impact and supported ongoing efforts to keep the community safe.

Actioned 19 January 2026

- **Priority:**

Drug taking.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

PC Hodge has been working closely with Dartford Borough Council to identify problem addresses linked to drug use and the antisocial behaviour that comes with it. We are now exploring Community Closure Orders, which can be used to temporarily close a property where serious nuisance or disorder is taking place. These orders restrict who can enter the address and are designed to protect the community and prevent further antisocial behaviour.

High?visibility foot patrols in local parks and recreation areas have led to stop checks on suspicious individuals, with Community Resolutions issued for simple drug possession where appropriate.

This work continues to support our wider efforts to reduce antisocial behaviour and keep the community safe.

Actioned 19 January 2026

✓ Meetings and events

Ward Surgery

⌚ 1:00PM - 2:00PM, Wed 18 February 2026

📍 The Fire Station Cafe, Church Road Swanscombe

📅 Add to calendar

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Vehicle crime 4

Anti-social behaviour 3

Possession of weapons 3

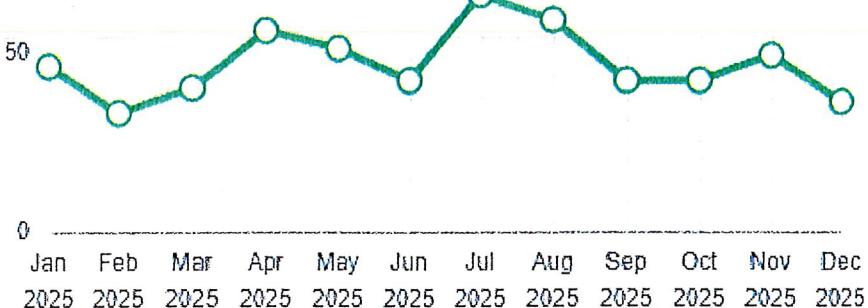
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Crime levels overview

Crime for last year

Crime per Month

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Crime levels overview

Month	Total	Percentage
Jan 2025	46	8.2%
Feb 2025	33	5.9%
Mar 2025	40	7.1%
Apr 2025	56	10%
May 2025	51	9.1%
Jun 2025	42	7.5%
Jul 2025	66	11.7%
Aug 2025	59	10.5%
Sep 2025	42	7.5%
Oct 2025	42	7.5%
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Action taken:

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Antisocial behaviour.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

We held 'coffee with a cop' sessions and local surgeries, giving residents the chance to meet their beat officer, receive updates and get safety advice. Officers also carried out high?

visibility and plain-clothes patrols, which helped identify persistent offenders and led to sanctions being issued under the Antisocial Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. We continue to work closely with local stakeholders to reduce opportunities for antisocial behaviour.

Actioned 19 January 2026

- **Priority:**

Fly tipping.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

Officers have worked closely with partner agencies, including Dartford Borough Council, and enforcement action has been taken against those identified as responsible. Engagement with local landowners has helped reduce repeat offending in secluded areas by limiting access, which in turn has helped prevent fly-tipping. Officers have also carried out stop checks on lorries and vans believed to be carrying waste to ensure the correct documentation is in place.

Actioned 08 October 2025

- **Priority:**

Drug dealing.

Issued 08 October 2025

Action taken:

We have increased patrols in the area, both on foot and in marked and unmarked police vehicles. Officers have carried out stop checks on people of interest, and we have been gathering intelligence to build a clearer picture of what is happening locally. Once all the information has been reviewed, our Neighbourhood Task Force will take the appropriate action.

Actioned 19 January 2026

✓ **Meetings and events**

Ward Surgery

⌚ 10:59AM - 12:59PM, Wed 18 February 2026

📍 St Mary's Greenhithe, 131 Mounts Road Greenhithe

📅 Add to calendar

Martin Harding

From: DICKSON, Jim (MP) <jim.dickson.mp@parliament.uk>
Sent: 04 December 2025 21:08
To: Martin Harding
Cc: Graham Blew; HARTILL, Molly; BEALL, Nicholas
Subject: RE: Consultation Update - Pavement Parking

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Dear Martin,

Thank you for getting in touch about obstructive pavement parking.

There was a Westminster Hall debate on this issue in September. [The Minister responding for the Government confirmed](#) that she understands the challenges posed by pavement parking and that the Department for Transport is hoping to respond to this consultation as soon as possible.

I hope that the Minister's speech provides a helpful update on this issue and I look forward to seeing you next week for our meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Jim

Jim Dickson MP
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House of Commons
London SW1A 0AA



From: Martin Harding <rfo@swanscombeandgreenhitetowncouncil.gov.uk>
Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 10:26 AM
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Subject: Consultation Update - Pavement Parking

Good morning Jim

The Town Council's Community Safety Committee met yesterday evening, and the subject of obstructive pavement parking was raised.

It was brought to the Town Councils attention that a consultation had been undertaken by Government in relation to banning parking on public footpaths.

We would be interested to know what the outcome of this consultation was and what measures / steps are being considered from it.

Would you be able to contact the Department for Transport on this matter and provide an update.

Many thanks in advance.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Harding
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