



Latest crime figures for the MPS (statistics cover the period January 2009 to January 2010, compared to January 2008 to January 2009)

- ↓ Total crime has fallen by almost 20,385 offences or 2.4% and is at its lowest level in 10 years
- ↓ Motor vehicle crimes are down by 12,217 offences or 11%
- ↓ Youth Violence is down by 395 or 1.9%
- ↓ Knife crime is down by 474 or 3.7%
- ↓ Serious acquisitive crime is down by 10,161 or 5%
- ↓ Homicide is down by 30 or 19.4%
- ↑ Residential burglary is up by 2,059 or 3.5%

Police led operation with partners tackles youth violence in London

Operation Intense saw two boroughs joining forces with partners during half-term to reduce serious youth violence and knife crime. In Croydon and Hackney for example, the MPS along with partners, delivered a range of enforcement, engagement and diversionary activities. This is part of ongoing work to keep young people safe in the boroughs. Sixty-one arrests were made in Croydon and eighty-three were made in Hackney. Activities included: enhanced deployments around schools, the town centre, transport routes and hubs. The MPS was supported by other units: British Transport Police, the UK Borders' Agency and the local authorities.

£20 million heroin seized in intelligence led operation

A pro-active and protracted investigation by the MPS into the supply of heroin across London and the UK saw raids take place at addresses across the capital. Approximately 300 kilos of what is believed to be heroin was seized with an estimated street value of £20 million. A large quantity of cash; three high powered sports cars and a large amount of jewellery were also seized during the operation. Two men have been charged.

Enfield operation to tackle burglary results in over 30 arrests

Over 30 arrests were made in Enfield borough in a two-week operation to tackle burglary in Enfield. Officers from Enfield borough worked with their colleagues from the Territorial Support Group (TSG), Traffic and the Dog Unit to target known burglary hotspots and prolific burglary offenders.

New partnership enforcement team set up in Newham

Crime and anti-social behaviour took another blow thanks to a new partnership launched in Newham between the police licensing team, council and immigration. The three partners take a joint problem solving approach to tackling Newham's night-time crime economy. Priorities for the team include ongoing test purchase operations to crack down on underage sales. The pubs and clubs have also been under scrutiny, with six licenses called in for review and one pub having their license revoked. The team identified nine cafes that opened in the evening that generated significant crime and anti-social behaviour. The team's investigations led to nine arrests for immigration offences and the employers were prosecuted.



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