

## Dedicated police officers for the London Bridge Business Improvement District (BID): PC Nick Morant & PC Lee Noble

Priority	October 2020
<b>Cycle Theft</b>	<p><b>Response</b></p> <p>After successfully seizing 10 bikes from an address last month, we continued to target individuals involved in cycle theft. This led to targeted patrols in uniform and plain clothes in partnership with BTP officers.</p> <p>On 14<sup>th</sup> October we detained and arrested the area's most prolific cycle thief after he was circulated as wanted for theft and going equipped to steal. He was spotted by PC Lee loitering near cycle racks and arrested before he could make off. Later, we worked with Southwark Council to apply for a Community Behavioural Order to prevent his entry to the London Bridge area and monitor his home address via 24hr CCTV coverage. We could therefore monitor movements to/from the address and compare descriptions with suspects involved in cycle theft around London Bridge.</p> <p>This action led to some displacement towards Bankside so we took part in Operation Stokesia which was led by the Safer Neighbourhoods Team and targeted cycle theft around the Tate Modern. We monitored the Tooley Street corridor for suspects and patrolled London Bridge with no offences reported during this time. We held free BikeRegister sessions at St. Thomas Street, Tooley street, One Tower Bridge and Weavers Lane – our thanks to BTP and Met colleagues who helped with these.</p>
<b>Shoplifting</b>	<p><b>Response</b></p> <p>We conducted plain clothes patrols and visited retailers to reassure staff. On 13<sup>th</sup> October we detained a prolific offender who had snatched a large quantity of purses from a retailer inside London Bridge Station. We've also visited retailers to distribute UV torches to spot counterfeit bank notes and fake IDs. As some retailers close for a national lockdown PC Nick &amp; PC Lee will be visiting business to provide reassurance and support to those open. We'll also be checking our closed business to ensure they're secure.</p>
<b>Business Liaison</b>	<p>We've conducted dozens of business visits, including: Pret, M&amp;S, Superdrug, Boots, The Savanna, Vinegar Yard, The Horseshoe Inn, Redwood, Shipwrights Arms, Five Guys, Vapiano, Honest Burgers, McDonald's, PWC, EY, 3 More London, LBC Security, Rosa's Thai, Sainsbury's, Tesco's, and Hamleys.</p>
<b>Safety Briefings</b>	<p>The coronavirus pandemic led to a pause in our safety briefings throughout the summer. However, as we look towards Christmas and 2021, we have adapted our safety briefings to turn them into a webinar session our business can dial into. We are happy to provide more information on topics and potential dates to those interested, generally they focus on personal crime prevention (theft of bags and mobile phones, burglary etc.) Please contact PC Nick, PC Lee or Henry at Team London Bridge for more information <a href="mailto:henry@teamlondonbridge.co.uk">henry@teamlondonbridge.co.uk</a></p>

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