

TeamLondonBridge

MPS & BTP Report

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March 2026 has seen a series of strong enforcement outcomes delivered by the Team London Bridge funded officers and policing partners. Multiple prolific offenders have been arrested, charged and sentenced, highlighting the effectiveness of proactive policing, thorough investigations and strong partnership working. These custodial outcomes not only remove high-harm individuals from the area but also reinforce confidence among local businesses and stakeholders. Alongside enforcement, Team London Bridge has continued to invest in prevention, training and partnership coordination. Recent events, intelligence sharing and training sessions have strengthened business preparedness, resilience and the overall safety of the BID area.

Croydon Magistrates Court Success

PC Mannings led on a case involving a prolific offender who has been in and out of prison over the past two years. Following an initial arrest for theft in November 2025, the offender was found guilty but failed to appear for sentencing. A week later, the offender was re-arrested and remanded in custody. He was subsequently sentenced to four months' imprisonment, covering this offence and others, demonstrating the ongoing impact of the funded officers' work in managing repeat offenders. The name and photo of the suspect can be seen on ShopSafe AlertID 319505.

Prolific Offender Sentenced

A prolific offender stole items valued at £387 from a clothing store in February 2026. PC Mannings quickly identified the suspect through CCTV and prior officer recognition. The offender was arrested, charged, and remanded, and ultimately sentenced to sixteen weeks in prison for this and other offences. This result reflects the effectiveness of rapid investigation and strong case building by the Team London Bridge funded officers and their policing colleagues. The name and photo of the suspect can be seen on ShopSafe AlertID 53329.

Barking Magistrates Court – Guilty Verdict

In December 2025, two businesses on the More London Estate were burgled, resulting in over £1,000 in combined loss and damage. PC Mannings successfully charged the main suspect with two counts of burglary and two counts of criminal damage. The suspect was found guilty of all offences in March 2026, and sentencing has been referred to Snaresbrook Crown Court, where higher sentencing powers can be applied.

Suspect Arrested For Attempted GBH, Criminal Damage and Section 5 Public Order:

There was a serious incident which took place in early January/2026 in a pub in the Team London Bridge BID area. The initial incident was a fight that took place inside the pub; however this quickly escalated and became a mass brawl with at least ten people fighting aggressively. One of the subject's involved picked up a pint glass and threw it towards the head of a security guard – this pint glass only just missed and instead it hit a window, which instantly broke it and caused damage to the value of £841.00. PC Mannings was the Officer In Case for this and put in a huge amount of work, by taking five victim/witness statements and collecting CCTV from four different sources. The suspect was identified through facial recognition software, however although this is enough evidence to make an arrest it is rarely enough evidence to lead to a conviction. PC Mannings travelled outside of the London area to make an arrest and upon apprehending the suspect, he seized clothing and shoes which were distinct and exactly matched what was shown in the CCTV in terms of the suspect description. The suspect ended up making a full admission in interview, thus he was obviously charged as guilty. The suspect repaid the amount of £841.00 in full, wrote a letter of apology to the venue, wrote a letter of apology to the security guard and has also been banned for life from the venue itself. This investigation took a huge amount of work and this is an excellent result for the victims (both person victims and the business victim). The name and photo of the suspect can be seen on ShopSafe AlertID 1082653.

Partnership Activity & Prevention Work



Team London Bridge recently hosted a well-attended Pub Watch meeting, which continues to be a vital forum for local businesses to share intelligence, coordinate bans, and strengthen their responses to incidents. Attendees benefit from real-time information on offenders and emerging risks, as well as the opportunity to build relationships with police and security teams. This collective approach improves safety for both staff and customers and reinforces the community-wide effort to reduce crime in the night-time economy.

Hostile Reconnaissance and Social Media Auditors

A special meeting with Police and Security Teams was convened following reports of a male exhibiting suspicious behaviour consistent with potential hostile reconnaissance. The individual claimed to be taking photographs for sale but did not behave like a typical auditor, raising concerns among security teams. The meeting allowed partners to review all intelligence, agree consistent actions if the individual was sighted, and compile a comprehensive report. Counter Terrorism officers later seized CCTV footage from multiple sites, illustrating the importance of multi-agency coordination in managing potential threats.

Run, Hide, Tell / ACT Awareness Training

Team London Bridge also delivered ACT (Action Counters Terrorism) awareness training, presented by Counter Terrorism Protect Officer Paul Johnstone. The session focused on improving understanding of current terrorism threats, identifying suspicious behaviour, and knowing how to respond in an incident. Attendees reported leaving the session more confident and better prepared to respond to emergencies, helping businesses maintain continuity and protect staff and customers. The earlier hostile reconnaissance case highlights the importance of such training, ensuring all stakeholders are alert, informed, and ready to act if necessary.

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Fraudulent Document Training

Team London Bridge hosted a dedicated training session on fraudulent documents, which was very well received. Attendees reported that the content was practical and relevant to their work, significantly increasing confidence in identifying fraudulent IDs and documents. Feedback highlighted that the training was highly valuable, and participants expressed interest in attending future sessions. This training directly supports frontline staff in preventing fraud and protecting both businesses and customers.

Intelligence Meeting

The latest intelligence meeting included discussion on international tensions, including the USA - Iran conflict, and the potential implications for the UK. The session highlighted the need for vigilance around protests and public gatherings, ensuring businesses remain informed, prepared and aligned with current threat assessments.

Met Engage – Business Messaging Platform

Businesses are encouraged to sign up to Met Engage, the Metropolitan Police's messaging platform designed to strengthen communication with local businesses. The platform provides direct updates from local policing teams on crime trends, emerging risks, wanted individuals, and live incidents, enabling businesses to stay informed and respond quickly where needed. For the Metropolitan Police, Met Engage supports improved information sharing, stronger partnerships, and a more coordinated approach to crime prevention.

For businesses, it offers greater awareness of local risks, supports better security decision-making, and helps them stay connected to policing activity in the area. Sign-up is quick and straightforward, and it is strongly recommended as part of maintaining awareness and resilience across the Team London Bridge area.

Rail Disruption Briefing – Summer 2026

From 26 July to 16 August 2026, Charing Cross and Waterloo East stations will be closed for major engineering works, including track replacement, drainage improvements, and structural repairs. During this period, Southeastern services will be diverted to London Bridge, as well as Victoria, Cannon Street, and Blackfriars. This is expected to increase passenger footfall at London Bridge and may result in longer journey times.

Ticket acceptance will be in place across alternative rail routes, London Underground, and buses. Passengers are advised to plan ahead and consider alternative routes where possible.

Important Information

Access to the ShopSafe AlertID App can be requested via nick@teamlondonbridge.co.uk. Upcoming PubWatch and ShopWatch meetings, key sporting events, and anticipated protests will be communicated to ensure businesses remain informed of high-footfall periods and potential risks.