

TeamLondonBridge

MPS & BTP Report

June 2025



Nick Morant - Director of Security Partnerships & Community Safety

It's been an exciting and productive month for the BID-funded officers and Nick Morant. Following the successful ballot result, officers have continued their dedicated work on the ground — making several excellent arrests and enhancing their local street knowledge with valuable intelligence to identify and apprehend suspects as swiftly as possible.

Nick hosted the quarterly Security & Resilience Forum, held at The Shard, where updates regarding Martyn's Law were provided to businesses and security teams.

In addition, PC Noble and Nick Morant took part in a crisis management exercise held at Stamford Bridge to further develop preparedness and response planning for major incidents.

PC Mannings arrests

Despite being single-crewed, PC Mannings successfully made two high-quality arrests within the BID area. One notable case involved a suspect identified by PC Noble. The suspect was responsible for stealing high-value suits from a local menswear retailer.

PC Mannings led the investigation from start to finish, utilising local intelligence sources to trace the named suspect who, despite having no fixed abode, was traced to a residential address in Southwark. Upon attending the location, the suspect initially opened the front door but refused to unlock a reinforced steel porch. As the suspect attempted to retreat back into the property to evade arrest, PC Mannings acted quickly, securing the suspect and holding on to him until his house mates eventually located a key to gain access. The suspect was brought to custody, remanded and later found guilty in court. As part of his sentencing, he was ordered to repay a portion of the value of the stolen goods to the retailer – a very welcome outcome from a business recovery perspective.

PC Mannings also made an arrest of a prolific offender from a retailer in Tower Bridge. This offender had previously threatened staff with a knife and is considered dangerous. PC Mannings located him and arrested him for three offences. This shift took eighteen hours, but it was well worth it as the suspect was remanded in custody and found guilty in court the next day for all three offences. The court have imposed conditions on this suspect to no longer enter this store, so if he is seen he can be arrested, even without committing another offence. The details and the image of this suspect can be seen using the ShopSafe Alert App under AlertIDs 451012 (this incident), 317396 (previous incident) and 304941 (another previous incident). To request access, please email nick@teamlondonbridge.co.uk for a Shop Safe Alert invitation.



Successful Convictions:

On top of the two previously mentioned successful convictions, PC Mannings investigated the theft of an expensive bag that was stolen in January/2025 in one of the pubs inside the BID. This type of crime takes months to investigate due to the seriousness of it, as opposed to a basic shoplifting offence. The work included gathering CCTV, statements, interviews and even seizing clothing from the suspect's house in order to match the clothing with the CCTV. Due to the quality of the investigation by PC Mannings, the suspect was found guilty in court and given a strong sentence of 36 months in prison. He was also ordered to pay back some of the costs to the victim. This work was all done single-crewed. The victim was very grateful and this is an excellent bit of police work. Shop Safe Alert ID: 451692 refers for the details and the image of the suspect.

Identifying Suspects:



PC Noble is excellent at remembering the names and faces of suspects. PC Noble has watched CCTV and identified four offenders from investigations inside the BID in June/2025, including the first offender mentioned above who was stealing clothes from a high end retailer. This work goes a long way in helping prevent crime in the long-term, as it lets offenders know that they are recognised in this area.

Targeted Robbery Operation

BTP Funded Officer PC Noble recently conducted a proactive policing operation targeting robbery and theft hotspots in and around London Bridge. The operation involved the deployment of plain-clothed officers across key areas including London Bridge Station, Borough High Street, Bermondsey Street, and Tooley Street.

Several stop and searches were carried out during the deployment, resulting in multiple community protection notices being issued for low-level theft offences.

This initiative forms part of a wider ongoing strategy coordinated through weekly partnership meetings with local business networks. These sessions enable intelligence sharing between police and the Safer Business Network, allowing officers to identify and target repeat offenders more effectively and reduce theft-related incidents in the area.

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Crisis Management Training

Nick Morant and PC Noble attended a crisis management exercise hosted at Stamford Bridge alongside leading security professionals. Participants led a scenario involving a simultaneous cyber attack and physical security breach, providing a robust test of preparedness, coordination, and decision-making under pressure. The event was invaluable in preparing teams for future challenges and maintaining professional development in critical incident response, and also included a tour of the football ground as an added bonus, much to the delight of lifelong Chelsea fan PC Noble.

Security Forum at The Shard

Our recent Security Forum held at The View from The Shard was one of the most successful and well-received events we've hosted to date.

We were delighted to welcome Nathan Emmerich from SW-ONE Communications and Hannah Sutcliffe from Moonhub, who showcased ground breaking crisis management training using virtual reality headsets. Their immersive approach is setting the standard for the future of emergency preparedness and response.

We were also joined by representatives from the Metropolitan Police Service and Paul Mooney from the Bridge Watch Team, who work tirelessly to engage with individuals at risk of suicide along the Thames. Paul's insight and dedication to public safety were both powerful and inspiring.

A huge thank you goes to The View from The Shard for generously hosting the event and to Gail's Bakery for providing the delicious breakfast pastries that helped fuel the morning's discussions.

The Security Forum plays a vital role in bringing together key stakeholders from across London Bridge. It provides a space to share intelligence and build partnerships, all with the aim of improving safety and resilience in the area. Events like this strengthen our community approach and ensure we remain connected and informed as we work to keep London Bridge safe for everyone.

Shop Safe Alerts

All suspects stopped and arrested within the BID area are uploaded to the Team London Bridge Shop Safe Alert platform. If you work for a business within the London Bridge area, you are eligible to sign up and receive the latest security updates.

To request access, please email nick@teamlondonbridge.co.uk for an invitation.

Bike Marking Events – July 2025

These events provide visible crime deterrence while offering valuable traceability for stolen bikes via physical ID serial numbers. Importantly, they serve as a platform to deter street crimes such as phone snatching and bag theft by providing a reassuring police and security presence.

Date Time and Place

10th July

Bermondsey Street, Outside Pizza Pilgrims, SE1 2TF

16:00 – 19:00

15th July

St Thomas Street, Outside The Shard, SE1 9BS

16:00 - 19:00