

# THE UPDATE

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# METROPOLITAN POLICE

## North Area BCU Commander Update

**N**ORTH AREA BCU  
ENFIELD & HARINGEY POLICE



**Dear Partner,**

Earlier today, hopefully whilst you were all still sleeping soundly, we conducted a series of arrests under Operation Boreas at a number of addresses across Enfield and Haringey, and other parts of North London. This was an intelligence led investigation into the use and supply of firearms, the large scale distribution of Class A drugs and the establishment of county lines. We were delighted to be joined by Haringey's Chief Executive, Zina Etheridge, who witnessed the professionalism and dedication of Team Met first hand as we were fortunate to have the assistance of the TSG, Specialist Firearms Units alongside our local & regional officers. This was a North Area run operation, working closely with our Local Authority partners, and I hope it demonstrates our commitment to you all to keep our streets safe, bear down on violence and end the exploitation of youngsters that comes with the operation of County Lines. Please see the accompanying article for a more fulsome update.

Recently we have also held some great engagement events with our youngsters on both Boroughs to enable them to get to know the officer behind the badge and to build strong, lasting relationships with them.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter. Stay safe. Kind regards, Treena

### Euro 2020 at the Selby Centre



### Man jailed for repeated rape of a child

Eric Lakidi raped the victim multiple times between 1996 and 1999 at residential addresses in Enfield and Barnet, Harrow Crown Court heard. In November 2016, the victim came forward to report the historic abuse to the North London Child Abuse Investigation Team. She was able to give a detailed account of the incidents that occurred, at times with family members present in the same address. On June, 1, 2021, Lakidi was found guilty of three counts of rape against a child by a unanimous jury after a trial in May. The 43-year-old, of Epsom, Surrey, was sentenced on Friday, June 25. He was given 13 years in jail and will be placed on the sex offenders register for life. Detective Sergeant Virginia Condren, the investigating officer, said: "Lakidi took advantage of the trust of a vulnerable child to commit and hide his odious crimes. The tenacity and bravery shown by the young woman in this case can only be described as admirable. "Her drive to achieve justice for herself has never faltered. Despite the daunting steps she has gone through to reach this result she has only ever shown strength and determination to see this through. "I can only hope that today is a significant step in her closing the door on the fear and trauma she has experienced, and that her courage in coming forward serves as encouragement to others who have also suffered abuse of any kind, current or historic, to have confidence in the police, CPS and the courts to bring these offenders to justice.

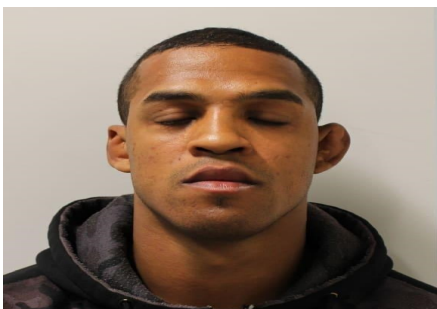


"I would also like to commend and thank her siblings for their unwavering support of her through this entire process."

### Christina Davis Interview with DC Bossman

In another of our interviews with officers working in the Sexual Offences unit, Met Police volunteer Christina Davis talked to DC Myles Bossman about the lengthy and painstaking work involved in drawing together all the threads of a complex case to finally catch an individual suspected of a long series of linked incidents of exposure and sexual assault in North London. Jefferson Goncalves De Lima Da Silva, 29, of Beresford Road, Haringey was sentenced to 16 months' imprisonment, concurrent on all charges, at Wood Green Crown Court on Monday, 17 May for nine counts of indecent exposure and two counts of sexual assault. Full interview linked below:

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## Safer Schools

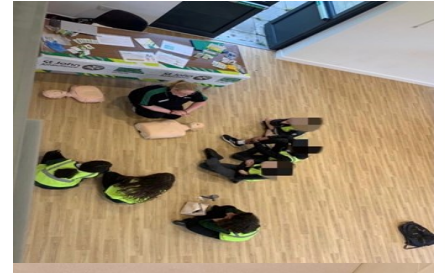


Safer Schools Officers have had a great, successful first week at Junior Citizens.

The week consisted of visits from the Met's Taskforce, St Johns Ambulance and London Fire Brigade.

Staff running the event also had a special visit from PD Blu and her handler. PD Blu is one of the puppies from Matt Ratana's litter.

Each school that attended has had a great time, some excellent input and great lessons in life skills.



## 25kg of Cannabis off the streets of NA

PC KETT based within Project Taipan developed intelligence from local residents about the location of a possible cannabis factory. Assisted by local officers, they were able to locate the cannabis farm on EWART GROVE N22 and obtained a warrant. The warrant was executed in May, supported by officers from WHITE HART LANE & WOODSIDE wards. Once entry was gained a fully established farm with over 250 plants and a yield of 25Kgs was located.



The suspect found at the property was charged with PRODUCTION and POSSESSION of CANNABIS. The suspect pleaded Guilty on 24/6/21 to all charges and has been sentenced to 27 Months imprisonment.

## Safer Schools Engagement

Our schools Inspector & Schools Sergeant had the pleasure of meeting our beautiful furry friend Coco today whilst visiting Orchard-side School.

Coca is used to help calm the kids at times when life can become a little stressful. Our officers also had the pleasure of meeting a lovely group of young people on their way to school.



The girls shared their passion to join the police when they are older.

Every contact leaves a trace.  
Positive Youth Engagement.

## Series of search warrants executed targeting people involved in the sale of illegal firearms, ammunition and controlled drugs

Officers from Enfield and Haringey (North Area BCU) have led a number of search warrants across six London Boroughs plus an address in Kent this morning, 28th July as part of their policing plan to reduce violent crime in the area.

The 16 search warrants were to arrest suspects believed to be involved in running County Lines, and possessing and conspiring to sell firearms, ammunition and controlled drugs. 12 men and 1 woman, aged between 20 and 40 years have been arrested for offences including Possession of Firearms, conspiracy to supply firearms, conspiracy to supply Class A and B Drugs and Possession with intent to supply Class A and B Drugs.

A number of warrants were executed by Specialist Firearms Officers. The remaining warrants were executed by officers from the two boroughs, with support from Taskforce officers from across London. Items that have been found/seized include drugs and six suspected firearms.

The operation has been in the making since February, 2019. Since then, officers have been gathering evidence and building a solid investigation ready to present to the Crown Prosecution Service.

Detective Superintendent David Kennett, from the North Area BCU, said: "We strongly believe that the men and women arrested this morning are linked to some of the most serious criminal activity happening in Haringey and Enfield, and by making these arrests today we have hopefully started to dismantle their criminal networks and will make the BCU a safer place.

"Reducing violent crime is not just the top priority in Enfield and Haringey, but for the whole Metropolitan Police Organisation, and proactive operations like this are just one of the tactics we use to bear down on violence.

"Local residents will see an enhanced policing presence across the boroughs over the next 48hrs. Please speak to a local officer if you have any questions or concerns about crime in your neighbourhoods. By residents reporting criminality and violence, we can build a better policing plan that makes Haringey and Enfield safer places for all of us."