

# Woman, 38, arrested on suspicion of murder after 20-year-old female is knifed to death in London



Enfield MPS @MPSEnfield · Feb 7  
So far #OpBoxster is proving to be successful. Two arrests have been made. Outreach has been declined. Officers will continue to work with the industry. #SaferEnfield @EnfieldCouncil



Enfield MPS @MPSEnfield · 11 Nov 2019  
Our proactive team is working until the early hours to reduce soliciting in #N18 area. Police are listening to the residents and we're trying to use as many tactics to help the residents but also working with external agencies for the working girls #ProstitutionClampdown @MPSUpprEdmonton

Prostitution clampdown launched

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PROSTITUTES, pimps and drug dealers have turned a street into a red light district, according to residents and business owners.

# Enfield Police bring in cameras to help crackdown on prostitution

By Natalie O'Neill



Enfield MPS @MPSEnfield · Feb 7  
As a result of #OpBoxster officers have disrupted & deterred criminals in the @MPSUpprEdmonton @MPSNthlandPk area. This police presence will continue.  
Great use of #StopAndSearch.  
4 arrested for soliciting offences, charged & remanded for Court In the morning.  
@EnfieldCouncil



# Operation Boxster

A/PS Eren Emin



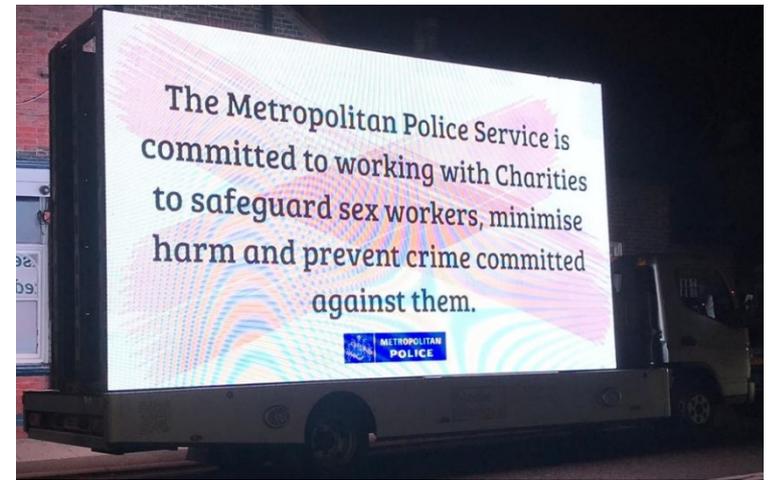
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# Introduction & History

- For the past decade, Fore Street N18 has been known as Enfield's “Red Light District”; a popular hotspot for sex workers and punters. As a result, Fore Street N18 started attracting people who were either using the services of the sex workers, or taking advantage of their vulnerability, over time this resulted in a surge in the number of violence against person crimes being reported to the MPS and numerous complaints of ASB.
- In 2015 a sex worker, aged 20 was stabbed to death while stood on Fore Street N18 she was a known sex worker. The callous murder was carried out by a local resident. Between 2017-2018 two stranger rapes of sex workers, where both victims were solicited for sexual services, then bludgeoned and raped.
- For many years the MPS has ensured engagement with sex workers, through various charities and support agencies, however this did not reduce the amount of sex workers operating in Fore Street N18, and did not stop the high levels of ASB and other related crimes being reported to the MPS, it had the reverse effect.
- In November 2019 a new clampdown was launched following on from previous work by the MPS, named Operation Boxster. This operation was introduced as a multi-agency and partnership operation aimed at designing out street offences in Fore Street N18. Partners include, Enfield Council, Immigration, Human Trafficking, multiple internal MPS teams and various other charities.
- In June 2020 Operation Boxster was formed as a permanent team, dedicated to solving the problem. The team is formed of 1 Police Sergeant and 6 Police Constables.



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# Operation Objectives

- **Safeguard any potential vulnerability and reduce/mitigate risks where identified and refer to relevant partners or agencies.**
- **Gather and submit intelligence through engagement with the community and sex workers to support strategic policing plans to ensure a long term solution is achieved.**
- **Increase public confidence in policing by showing tenacity with our approach to this problem.**
- **Ensure joint working to support a healthy balance between engagement and enforcement.**
- **Adapt a zero tolerance approach to those who contribute to criminality and ASB within the footprint.**



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# Command Structure

## **GOLD COMMAND – STRATEGIC**

**Superintendent Chris Jones**

## **SILVER COMMAND – TACTICAL**

**A/Chief Inspector Chris Byrne**

**Inspector Erica Crawshaw**

## **BRONZE COMMAND – OPERATIONAL**

**A/Police Sergeant Eren Emin**



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# Chief complaints

“Condoms left everywhere, It’s completely covered the floor, I can’t see the floor.”

“They’re doing their business in front of my house by my front door.”

“Fore Street is covered with sex workers, nearly every junction.”

“The area is filled with gang members using the sex workers.”



# Engagement

A balance of Engagement against Enforcement has been ensured, we have held many partnership meetings and taken guidance from multiple outreach projects and charitable organisations. These include;

- National Ugly Mugs
- Street Link
- Salvation Army
- Terrence Higgins Trust
- Enable
- Clash
- Street light



|| NATIONAL UGLY MUGS SCHEME ||



These charities deploy alone through choice, and offer referrals to sex workers to get them off the street. They provide condoms to the sex workers, and offer free sexual health services and sanitary products. They are also given leaflets with information on how to obtain help through these charities to find alternative occupations.

Unfortunately, these services are often refused by sex workers, due to the amount of money they are making per night.



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# Designing out crime with Enfield Council



We have:

- Reviewed CCTV usage, and ensured CCTV operatives are proactively identifying sex workers, and kerb crawlers – providing details of those to the MPS.
- Target hardening areas: We have fenced off areas used by sex workers, removed Bin sheds which were littered with condoms and other paraphernalia. Other open areas which suffered with poor lighting were subject to enhancement and additional lights have been added.
- Conducted deep cleans of residential areas covered in used condoms and wet wipes.
- Redesigned road-furniture which was used to facilitate sex work and drug users. Removal of brick walls, a tree with increased lighting.



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**Before & After – Langhedge Lane N18**



Before & After – Grove Street N18

## Team Background & Enforcement

Op Boxster officers work majority late shifts and night shifts in order to target those contributing to high levels of ASB, Sex work and crime in the N18 area. The Operation employs various strategies and tactics to work towards the operation objectives.

We have commenced sex worker and kerb crawler enforcement, and have made multiple arrests achieving a 96% conviction rate.

On commencement of the operation officers identified a total of 36 common and persistent sex workers who operated on the foot print, Op Boxster through engagement and enforcement have achieved an overall reduction of 76%. (Some convinced to seek alternate occupations, and some through arrests and convictions.)

Op Boxster have also targeted those who supply drugs and have conducted multiple intelligence led warrants on the foot print in partnership with local neighbourhood teams and funded teams, yielding huge results with multiple drugs and weapon seizures.

We have seized over 27 vehicles in the last three months all of which were seized as a result of proactive stops on the footprint linked to soliciting sex work.

Op Boxster have also seized **11 knives, 2 firearms and have had 63** separate drug seizures since June 2020.



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## Operation Boxster Returns June 2020 – October 2020

Months	Arrests	Stop & Search	MERLIN	Intel	CRIS	TOR
June	13	135	37	124	32	0
July	13	86	39	104	6	6
August	7	52	27	55	4	4
September	5	84	26	78	10	16
October	12	52	40	51	2	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>26</b>

Op Boxster have also contributed to the reduction of **Serious Youth Violence**, achieving **0 reported incidents between April 2020 – August 2020 in Upper Edmonton** which forms the core foot print for the operation.

**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 8 Aug  
Court Result

On Thursday, 6 August Mihai Asiminei of #ClarendonRoad #N18 was convicted for possession of an offensive weapon, namely a push dagger in #N18

He was sentenced to 4 months imprisonment, suspended for 12, ordered to pay costs of £218.

#OpBoxster #NorthArea



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 5 Jun

As part of #OpBoxster to deter and detect criminal actively. A proactive stop in the @MPSUprEdmonton area has led to a male been arrested for possession of a knuckle duster, currently in custody and awaits court. #StopAndSearch



**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 6 Jun

Following another proactive stop by #OpBoxster male was arrested & charged

- Possession of a made offensive weapon x2
- Possession of an imitation firearm
- Possession of an electrical incapacitation device(taser)

The team are working into the early house to detect crime #OpBoxster



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 12 Jun

#OpBoxster officers have conducted a licensing check on a premises in the N18 area. As a result 9,000 counterfeit cigarettes seized, multiple license breaches recorded. Ongoing case being investigated. @EnfieldCouncil @MPSUprEdmonton

#ClearUp



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 19 Aug  
On Sunday, 16 August 2020 our proactive **#OpBoxster** officers stopped a 30 year old male in **#JoyceAvenue #N18**

Following a positive **#stopandsearch** this **#OffensiveWeapon** was seized, the male was arrested, charged and remanded for court.

**#KnivesTakeLives #NA**



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 16 Sep  
Great work once again from our **#OpBoxster** team tackling kerb crawling on Fore Street N18.  
2 vehicles proactively stopped on separate occasions.

Checks revealed both vehicles held no insurance while driven.  
Both drivers processed for multiple driving offences & vehicles seized.



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 26 Sep  
Great work last night in **@MPSUprEdmonton** by the team. Male made off but was apprehended on Joyce Avenue Estate by **#OpBoxster** team.  
Arrested for disqual driving, no insurance, going equipped, handling stolen goods, driving on false plates, TWOC & drugs. **@EnfieldCouncil #Proactive**



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 9 Aug  
Court Result

On the Tuesday, 4 August 2020 Jordan Vasilev of **#RainhamRoad #Barking #RM10** was found guilty possessing an offensive weapon on **#ForeStreet #N18** he received a £318 fine.

**#OpBoxster** Officers working hard in **#NorthArea**



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 4 Sep  
**#OpReclaim** making our roads safer to law abiding road users. Male processed for no license and no insurance. **#OpBoxster** officers targeting those unlawfully using our roads. **#CantPayWeTakeItAway**



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**Enfield MPS** @MPSEnfield · 11 Jul  
Work continues to address the issues in the **#N18** area. Four persistent sex workers were arrested and charged by officers from **#OpBoxster**

Officers continue to gather intelligence to identify all of those responsible, whilst working with external agencies. **@MPSUprEdmonton**

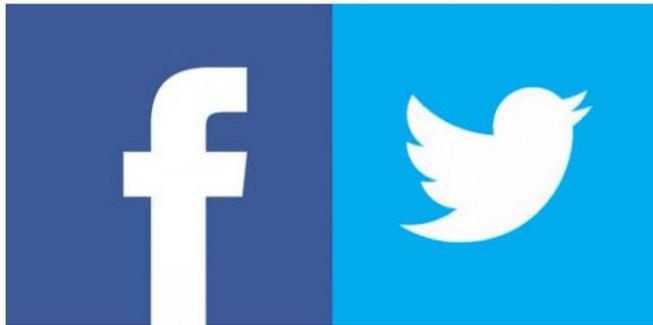


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## Future vision

Our vision for Operation Boxster is to radically reduce the number of sex workers operating on the streets of Enfield, mitigate the risks associated with sex work and increase the sense of safety with the local community and local residents. We aim to increase confidence in policing through our work, and we hope to relieve Forestreet N18 of its red light district title.

We will be continuing this operation, and its days of action until we achieve our desired goals, and will continue our robust zero tolerance approach.



Stay tuned for regular updates through our social media platforms and follow our trending hashtags: #N18 #OpBoxster

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