



Neighbourhood Policing update

Northern line

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Welcome to your new team

There are now Neighbourhood Policing Teams dedicated to your line only.

The Northern Line North NPT and Northern Line South NPT now cover stations across the Northern line only.

Where previously NPTs worked across lines,
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Welcome to your new team (cont.)

NPTs are now dedicated to a single line and split up according to the London Underground General Station Manager structure – each GSM will have a single NPT to work with.

Inspector Melissa Cunningham-Acar is in charge of the Northern line. She said: “This system makes it much easier for staff and passengers who work and travel across the line as they will deal with the same NPT as they travel from station to station.

“I encourage everyone to come up and chat to our officers, they should see them more often and there are numerous planned meetings which they can attend too (see opposite).”

As well as new NPTs, staff and passengers should also see much more of officers on trains with the new Proactive Patrol Teams starting in April. These teams are specialist on-board officers dedicated to stopping offending and building links with passengers, drivers and platform staff.

Please contact your new NPT with any questions, details are on the front page.

Reducing hate crime on the Northern line

Officers on the Northern Line South Neighbourhood Policing Team have been making serious progress in reducing hate crime.

Through the PACT meeting process (see opposite page) London Underground managers and BTP officers identified a problem of crime where the offender was prejudicially motivated. These crimes ranged from verbal abuse to assaults, the majority of which were against LU staff.

The team used targeted high visibility and plain-clothes patrols; public clinics at stations regarding reporting and educating against Hate Crime; staff assault workshops and the involvement of local community groups to combat the problem.

It's now over three months later and hate crime had been dramatically reduced on Morden and Oval groups and staff assaults for the area are the second lowest on the whole of London Underground.

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Upcoming meetings

Police And Communities Together (PACT)

PACT meetings are a chance for staff, retailers, the public and any interested person to air their views and concerns and influence what officers focus on over the coming months

Northern Line North NPT:

Please contact the team for the date of the next meeting. Details are on page 1.

Northern Line South NPT:

Thursday 9 June at 1pm at Oval station.

Meet and Greet Surgeries

These are regular days when officers are at stations interacting with passengers and staff to answer questions and offer advice.

Northern Line North NPT:

3 May – Hampstead station
10 May – Golders Green station
19 May – Brent Cross station
25 May – Hendon Central station

Northern Line South NPT:

22 April – Colliers Wood and South Wimbledon stations
31 April – Morden station

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Recent successes on the Northern Line

- Northern Line South NPT officers arrested and charged a man for being drunk and disorderly during the evening peak hour at Stockwell station. PCSO Matt Walters dealt with the man who was staggering about on the crowded Northern line platform colliding with passengers waiting for a train and abusing those who protested and becoming aggressive. PC Curtis and PC Cosgrove assisted to arrest the man who is due in court shortly.
- PCs Kat Ruskin and Nev Halil spotted a man acting suspiciously at Hendon Central and discovered he was using someone else's student Oyster card and trying to cash it in. He was also found to have £200 worth of counterfeit notes on him. He has been remanded in custody before appearing in court.
- A drugs operation at Old Street station uncovered a man with approximately £1,600 on him. The man gave numerous excuses for having the money but was arrested by PCs Kat Ruskin and Nev Halil and has been charged with money laundering.
- PC Gavin Brewer was alerted to staff being abused by a group of youths at Camden Town station. PC Brewer made the arrest of one man who pleaded guilty at court and was fined £75 plus £85 costs and £15 compensation. A racially aggravated offence is outstanding pending bail.

Ticket touting at Kentish Town

Following reports of concert ticket touts operating at Kentish Town station when concerts took place at the HMV Forum, the Northern Line North Neighbourhood Policing Team undertook a plains-clothes operation to obtain intelligence and take appropriate enforcement action.

This resulted in four concert touts being arrested and charged with the offence. All touts have now appeared before the City of Westminster Magistrates' Court and received fines totalling more than £1,250.

Station staff have been made aware of these case results and the NPT and station staff at Kentish Town will continue to monitor concert events and if necessary similar action will be taken.

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