



## Neighbourhood Policing update

### Piccadilly line

### Autumn – Winter 2011



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## 12 weeks jail for threatening Tube staff

A man who racially abused and threatened members of Tube staff at Leicester Square saw swift justice when he was jailed two days later.

Damien Jared (37) was sentenced to 12 weeks jail at City of Westminster Magistrates' Court after being convicted of a racially aggravated public order offence.

Two days earlier, Jared had been seen drinking a can of lager and smoking at the bottom of the escalators at the station.

Members of Tube staff asked Jared to leave but he threatened to kill them both. He then racially abused one of the staff members and BTP officers were called.

Jared was arrested and taken into custody where all the available evidence including victim and witness statements and CCTV evidence was secured.

Jared was interviewed the next morning, charged and remanded in police custody to appear at court the next day where he was jailed.

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## Working with Revenue teams

The Piccadilly Line West NPT has been working closely with revenue teams over the past few months to target stations that have had particular problems with fare evasion and related anti-social behaviour.

Officers have supported revenue inspectors in their duties focussing on Hounslow East, West and Central, Acton Town, South Harrow and Heathrow Terminals 1, 2 and 3.

Operation Equalizer and Operation Genesis revenue teams which specifically target persistent offenders and multiple-lined stations respectively have also been working in Alperton and Ealing Common stations.

RCI Trish Tomassi said: "It's always great working with BTP as it makes our job a little less challenging. If for example we stop people who have an

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incorrect ticket and start to issue a Fixed Penalty Notice, they are a lot less likely to kick up a fuss if BTP officers are present.”

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## Engaging with students at London Metropolitan University

Officers have been giving out crime prevention advice exercise to students at the London Metropolitan University.

PC Gary Hulkes and PCSO Bulent Suleyman gave students and staff advice and guidance as well as various give-aways with safety messages. Many of the students also expressed an interest in becoming Special Constables.

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## Upcoming meetings

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### 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

#### **Piccadilly Line North NPT:**

Please contact the team for the details of the next surgeries

#### **Piccadilly Line Centre NPT:**

14 December at 10.30am at Leicester Square station

#### **Piccadilly Line West NPT:**

26 January at 1pm at Acton Town station

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### Meet and Greet Surgeries

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

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## Knife arrest at Hounslow West

A man has been charged with being in possession of a bladed article after being arrested by officers at Hounslow West station.

London Underground staff alerted PC Scott Bezzant and PCSO Jim Mulligan that a man who was covered in blood and wielding an eight-inch knife was heading towards the station.

The officers quickly made their way to the entrance and swiftly disarmed and arrested the man.

It is believed that the offender had been assaulted and was in search of his attacker.

PCSO Mulligan said: "Luckily we were able to prevent anything more serious from happening."

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## Anti-theft patrols

Decreasing theft is high on the agenda for the Piccadilly Line West Team, since seeing an increase the crime type along the Piccadilly Line towards Heathrow.

Officers have been conducting plain clothes and high-visibility patrols on-board trains in an attempt to stifle the growing problem and identify offenders.

The team has also been engaging with the public, pointing out anything that a pick-pocket or bag thief might take advantage of and then suggesting effective ways of keeping those items safe.

PCSO Jordan Guihen said: "A lot of people we've spoken to genuinely seem to take the advice you give and understand that it is primarily their responsibility to look after their belongings. However, working at one of the most diverse airports in the world means that not everyone we speak to fully understands what we are trying to tell them, so we have to be creative in our communication."

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