

Dear residents,

March saw officers across North West BCU take firm action against offenders, recover weapons and drugs, and make arrests that removed offenders from our streets. The cases in this update show that work in practical terms: suspects located, vehicles seized, drugs lines disrupted and repeat offenders brought before the courts. Targeting those who cause the most harm across Brent, Barnet and Harrow remains how we will continue to keep people safe in North West London.

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BRENT

Knife recovered and robbery suspect charged in Wembley Park

During patrols in Wembley Park, officers stopped two teenagers on Fulton Road and recovered a knife from a 15-year-old boy. Checks then showed he was also wanted over a recent robbery carried out with a knife. He was arrested, charged and kept in custody to attend court.

Harlesden car stop uncovers drugs and robbery link

Officers stopped a vehicle on the North Circular after it was linked to a series of robberies. A search of the car uncovered large quantities of class A, B and C drugs. The driver was arrested on suspicion of drug supply and robbery, removing a suspect connected to serious offending from the roads.



Wanted shoplifting suspect arrested after foot chase on Brondesbury Road

While on patrol on Brondesbury Road, an officer recognised a man wanted for two high-value shopliftings worth more than £3,000. When challenged, he ran, but was quickly caught and arrested after a foot chase. The arrest brought in a repeat suspect who had been outstanding since December and had continued to affect local businesses.

BARNET

Burnt Oak operation leads to stabbing arrests and £50,000 drug seizure

A joint operation in Burnt Oak led to the arrest of two wanted men linked to a stabbing outside Colindale Underground station earlier that week. The following day, officers traced another suspect to an address where five teenage boys were found and arrested as they tried to dispose of class A drugs. Around £50,000 worth of class A drugs and cannabis were seized, and a further arrest followed at a linked address.

Stolen motorbike returned within the hour after arrest near Prospect Ring

After a report of suspicious riders with motorbikes, officers moved into the Prospect Ring area and found a stolen BMW motorbike and another stolen moped. One suspect was arrested after trying to escape through the estate. The BMW was returned to its owner within the hour, and the second stolen vehicle was recovered for further enquiries.

Edgware patrol stops drink-driver who tried to flee

During patrols in Edgware, officers stopped a driver they believed was about to drive while heavily intoxicated. He ran off, but was found hiding nearby with help from a police dog. He was more than three times over the alcohol limit, the vehicle had no valid tax or insurance, the vehicle was seized and he was kept in custody to attend court.

HARROW

Seven arrests after reports of drug dealing and disorder

Following concerns raised by residents about anti-social behaviour and drug dealing, officers in Greenhill, Marlborough and Headstone carried out targeted action across the area. Seven people were arrested, including four on suspicion of drug supply, two for court-related offences and one for theft from a motor vehicle. Officers also visited two addresses with partner agencies and took further action over ongoing anti-social behaviour.



Court order bans offender from Harrow

Officers have secured a court order against a convicted offender, strengthening the powers available to protect local neighbourhoods. The order bans him from entering Harrow except for pre-arranged appointments, and places clear restrictions on the possession of drug-related paraphernalia and who he can associate with in public. It follows repeated court hearings and evidence presented by local officers, reflecting sustained work to address ongoing offending and safeguard the community.

Three arrests in three days in Pinner and North Harrow

Officers in Pinner and North Harrow made three arrests in three days while responding to concerns from residents and businesses. One man was arrested after breaching an existing order and then assaulting officers and using racist abuse. The next day, a woman wanted for drug offences was arrested for breaching a court order, and on the third day officers arrested a man wanted for breaching another court order.

Across North West

Joint work solves 29 burglaries

Specialist investigators secured four charges for serious assault and affray across two separate cases during March. In another case, work with Hertfordshire officers led to a series of searches that helped solve 29 burglary offences, including 10 in London. It was a strong example of joint working producing clear results across force boundaries.

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