



Licensing Committee

Date: WEDNESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2022
Time: 1.45 pm
Venue: COMMITTEE ROOM - 2ND FLOOR WEST WING, GUILDHALL

Supplementary Agenda

8. CRIMES AT LICENSED PREMISES (TO FOLLOW)

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9. OPERATION RE-FRAME UPDATE (TO FOLLOW)

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Items received too late for circulation in conjunction with the Agenda.

John Barradell
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

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Committee(s): Licensing Committee	Date(s): 12/10/2022
Subject: Crimes at Licensed Premises	Public
Report of: Ch/Supt Atkin	For Information
Report author: Georgina Cox, City of London Police	

Summary

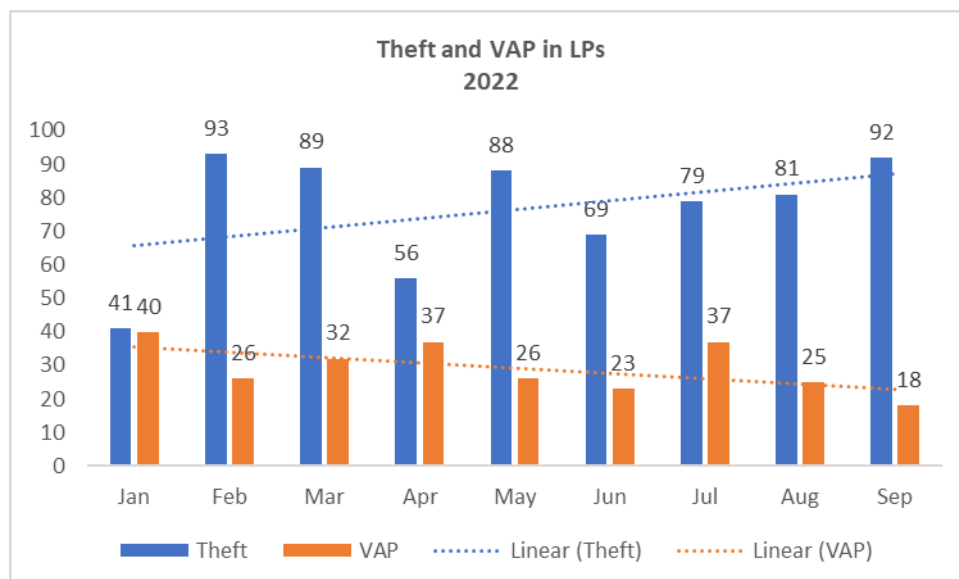
This is a report from the City of London Police for the Licensing Committee to update on crimes committed linked to Licensed Premises (LPs) between July and September 2022.

In Q3 both Theft and VAP offences in LPs were lower than before the pandemic (Q3 2019). VAP offences were slightly lower than before the pandemic (-9%). Whereas, TFLP was significantly lower (-25%). However, TFLP has been trending upwards during 2022 and tends to peak during the Christmas period which is of concern going forward.

Recommendation(s)

- Note the report.

Main Report



% Change in Theft and VAP Offending in LPs Q3 2019 and Q3 2022

Crime Grouping	Crime Type	Q3 2019	Q3 2022	% Change
Theft	Theft - Other	300	218	-27%
	Theft from Person	29	29	0%
	Bilking	6	4	-33%
	Theft from shop - shoplifting		1	n/a
	Theft from meter or automatic machine	1		-100%
	Theft by employee	2		-100%
Theft Total		338	252	-25%
VAP	Common Assault	54	50	-7%
	ABH	24	12	-50%
	Drink Spiking	5	10	100%
	GBH	3	6	100%
	Stalking & Harassment		1	n/a
	Controlling/Coercive Behaviour		1	n/a
	Malicious Comms	2		-100%
VAP Total		88	80	-9%
Total		426	332	-22%

Theft

There were 252 TFLP offences in Q3 2022 compared to 339 in Q3 2019 (a 25% decrease). This drop is due to the reduction in 'Theft-Other' offences which are largely bag/laptop thefts.

However, TFLP has been trending upwards in 2022. In January 2022 offending in LPs was particularly low (due to Plan B Covid restrictions), after which levels have remained relatively high, averaging at 81 offences a month. This has remained consistent in Q3.

Violence

There were 80 Violent offences in LPs in Q3 2022 compared to 88 in Q3 2019 (a 9% decrease). Both Drink Spiking and GBH offences had doubled whereas there was a reduction in Common Assault and ABH offences.

At the start of 2022, Violence in Licensed Premises was higher than before the pandemic. This was due to a higher number of Drink Spiking offences. However, since then, VAP in LPs has been trending downwards. The number of incidents in September (18) was less than half the number in January (40).

Premises

In Q3 2022 there were 18 LPs that had 5 or more Theft and/or VAP occurrences. Eastcheap Records (Eastcheap) and The Steel Yard (AllHallows Lane) had the highest number of offences overall (10 each). The Liberty Bounds (Trinity Square)

had the highest number of Theft offences (8) and Dirty Martini (Wood Street) had the highest number of VAP offences (8).

Timing

The majority (69%) of offences in Q3 2022 occurred during NTE hours (Wed-Sun 1800-0559). Overall offending in LPs peaked on Thursday and Friday evenings between 1800 and 2300 (27%). Violent offences tended to occur during weekend NTE hours (Friday 1800-Sunday 0559), whereas Theft offences tended to occur earlier in the week (Wed 1800- Fri 2359).

Day and Hour of Theft Offences in LPs - Q3 2022

Hour	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
00			3	3	2	4	1
01		1		2	5	2	
02					2	1	4
03					2		1
07			1		1		
09					1		
10							1
11			2	1			
12	1			1	1		
13		2	1	1			
14			1	3	1	1	1
15		1		2		3	
16	1	2			1	1	1
17	1		1	7	3	2	
18	1	5	3	8	5	2	2
19		6	8	4	9	3	
20	1	4	5	6	6	1	1
21	1	5	10	8	4	1	1
22	2	6	7	17	7	1	
23			3	9	6	4	

Day and Hour of Violent Offences in LPs - Q3 2022

Hour	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
00			5		1	2	
01				2	3	1	3
02			1			4	1
03					2	4	3
04							1
06				1			
09					1		
12						1	
13		1					
14						1	
15		1					

17					1		
18				2		1	
19		1			1	2	
20	1			1	1	2	
21	1	1		1	4	2	
22			1	2		4	
23			4	3	3	2	

Licensed Premises with 5 or more Theft/VAP Offences in Q3 2022

Venue	Street	Sector	Theft	VAP	Total
Eastcheap Records	EASTCHEAP	SOUTH	4	6	10
The Steel Yard	ALLHALLOWS LANE	SOUTH	6	4	10
Dirty Martini	BISHOPSGATE	NORTH	6	3	9
Dirty Martini	WOOD STREET	SOUTH	1	8	9
Simmons	CORNHILL	SOUTH	2	7	9
The Liberty Bounds	TRINITY SQUARE	EAST	8		8
Kings Stores	WIDEGATE STREET	NORTH	7		7
Rack & Tenter	MOORFIELDS	NORTH	7		7
The Paternoster	QUEEN'S HEAD PASSAGE	SOUTH	7		7
London Cocktail Club	EASTCHEAP	SOUTH	5	1	6
The Ned	POULTRY	SOUTH	4	2	6
Be At One	BRUSHFIELD STREET	NORTH	2	3	5
Be At One	KING WILLIAM STREET	SOUTH	1	4	5
Brewdog	GREAT TOWER STREET	EAST	5		5
Dirty Martini	LOVAT LANE	SOUTH	1	4	5
Hoop & Grapes	ALDGATE HIGH STREET	EAST	4	1	5
The Globe	MOORGATE	NORTH	4	1	5
The Railway Tavern	LIVERPOOL STREET	NORTH	3	2	5



Information

Background:

The murder of Sarah Everard by a serving Police Officer and other tragic deaths have sent shockwaves across UK Policing and impacted upon trust and confidence felt amongst the public.

It is recognised by all Forces that there is a need to re-build trust, raise standards, and ensure there is a positive, supportive, and healthy culture to demonstrate that any violence against women and girls is not acceptable, will not be tolerated, and will be challenged.

Intention

2022 – 2025 Policing Plan reflects the Forces commitments to Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG). Within this the VAWG strategic delivery plan outlines three focus points:

- Build trust and confidence – operational priority to keep those who live, work, and visit the City safe and feel safe.
- Relentless perpetrator pursuit – focus on bringing perpetrators of violence against women and girls to justice.
- Creating safer spaces – work collaboratively to protect women from victimisation in these spaces.

At the core of the Policing plan, we have the key values – professionalism, integrity, and compassion.

Method

This Operation is a partnership approach to facilitate the night-time economy (NTE) by asking partners to assist us in providing a reassuring high visibility presence, with the goal of making people feel safe in the City of London. This is in line with the Safer Streets campaign to 'reframe the night'.

Street briefing commences on 30/9/2022 at 1800 hours between Liverpool Street Station and Eataly at the welfare zone.

The Operation encompasses our own CoLP Licensing team, City Corporation Community safety Team, Mental Health Team, City Corporation, Licensing team, Environmental Health, Sector Policing, PPU/Victim advocate, SIA, Street Pastors, Specials, Sogs, Sector, Park guard, Network Rail, Samaritans & BTP.

Our focus will be intelligence led on the following hot spots:

- **Section 1 - BROADGATE CIRCLE/BISHOPSGATE**
- **Section 2 – LEADENHALL/CORNHILL/EASTCHEAP**
- **Section 3 - SMITHFIELD TO CHANCERY LANE.**
- **Section 4 – WATLING STREET AND HIGH RISE PREMISES**

These are areas highlighted for violent and acquisitive crime, and vulnerability.

Key requirements for the Policing Operation:

- Drink testing and educational piece around spiking
- Targeted engagement with licensed premises – security and management. Relevant agencies to attend and inspect licensed premises – for safety and security (CCTV, fire escapes etc).
- Early engagement with persons in the designated areas that may appear under the influence of alcohol.
- 'ASK FOR ANGELA' safety initiative will be highlighted and Safer streets reporting – encouraging people who feel like they are in an unsafe situation to ask for help using the "Angela" code word, informing a staff member of their need, and allowing them to access discreet help.
This will be highlighted on leaflets but also via the DIGI-STOPPER Boards.

- Providing Welfare and Vulnerable Engagement (WAVE) advice and information on measures to avoid potential drink spiking incidents. This will include the distribution of alcohol toppers.
- Take action to reduce preventable injury linked to alcohol and drugs. If persons appear incapable to look after themselves, we have a Safe zone set up at Bishopsgate, next to Eataly and Liverpool Street Station. This will be staffed by the Samaritans and will have the necessary provisions to help people sober up and to facilitate them getting home. We also have the option of mobile phone chargers on the Support Group vans if necessary.
- We also have an on call SOIT and a safe room provided by Network Rail should someone not want to come into the Police station (they must be accompanied at all times.)
- Provide a visible presence to deter criminal activity and anti-social behaviour.
- Act promptly to prevent and reduce violent crime and sexual offences.
- We have two public order provisions to ensure that as darkness falls, we have the capability to deter any violence.

TEAM ONE – BISHOPSGATE AND ENVIRONS.

Led by Paul Holmes.

Phillip Shuttleworth (DWO) & Nathaniel Lordon, Met Police

Pearl Figueira (PLANNING)

Pritam Ragoonath (EHO)

Valeria

Nigel Francis (CLEANSING)

TO VISIT:

Broadgate Circle

Dirty Martini, Bishopsgate

Woodin Shades, Bishopsgate

Astronomer, Middlesex Street

Kings Stores, Widegate Street

Williams, Artillary Lane

The Alice, Stoney Lane,

Fora, Houndsditch

All Bar One, Houndsditch

TEAM TWO – SMITHFIELD TO CHANCERY LANE.

Led by Dan White.

Christine Phillips (DWO)

Claire Callan-Day (EHO)

Aggie Minas (LO)

Kirsty TAGG SIA

PAB Member Deborah Oliver

TO VISIT:

Lucky Voice Karaoke Bar, Chancery Lane

Balfour Bar, West Smithfield
Editors Tap
Brewdog, Chancery Lane (off Fetter Lane)
The Inn of Court (Holborn)
The Conductor, Farringdon
Karaoke Box, Smithfield
Oriole, Smithfield Market
The Butchers Hook and Cleaver, West Smithfield
Old Red Cow, Long Lane
The Hand and Shears, Cloth Fair
Lamb and Trotter, Little Brittain

TEAM THREE – EAST CHEAP, CANNON STREET, CORNHILL.

Led by Alex Wilson
Councillor Laila Dupuy
Shona Allen
Matt Knox (EHO)
Paraskevas Paraskeva (LO)
Kelly DI/ Sarah – Ask for Angela Testing

TO VISIT:

Eastcheap Records, Eastcheap
London Cocktail Club, Eastcheap
Be At One, King William Street
The Monument,
The Hydrant,
The Walrus and The Carpenter,
Britannia, Fish Street Hill.
Oyster Shed
The Banker
The Pelt Trader
The Candlemaker
All Bar One, Cannon Street
The Vintry, Abchurch Yard
Forge, Cornhill
Pitcher and Piano, Cornhill
Simmons Bar, Cornhill
Cock and Woolpack, Finch Lane
The Counting House, Cornhill

Team 4 – Watling Street and High Rise premises

Licensing Corp Ben Ellen
Ma'am Dobinson
Park Guard
Karl Sprackling
Vince Dignam
Timothy Osbourne (DWO)

TEAM 5 – DRINK SPIKING TESTING - Mr Atkin and Mr Tompson (Sir if you'd like to take my unmarked and float between sights with Mr Tompson and Mr Tumbridge if he attends, that may be preferable).

BE AT ONE, OLD BROAD STREET. Drink testing Manager Brett. 7pm,
Popworld 9.30

VAN DRIVER Steve Gladman

Women's network

Led by Insp Hay

Amy Reed

Rachel Cook

Hayley King

Natalie

Siobhan McCrea

Lauren

WELFARE TENT

Samaritans

Ros Sweet

Penny Lancaster

To be swapped out at 9pm with Penny Lancaster for SC Cooper (Penny to go on Team 2) and
PSCO Sweet with PC Allen

OP REFRAME (5) RESULTS

Sexual Offences & VAWG

28th Sep to 2nd Oct

Sexual Offences

There were no Sexual Offences recorded in the period, compared to 3 the previous week.


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% Change in Sexual Offences over the past 2 weeks

Crime Grouping	Week 39 21-25 Sep	Week 40 28-02 Oct	% change
Sexual Offence		3	
Sexual Offence - Other		3	
Total		3	

% Change in VAWG Offences over the past 2 weeks

Crime Grouping	Week 40 28-02 Oct
Total	



VAWG


There were no VAWG offences last week, compared to 4 the previous week. (No available actions)

% Change in VAWG Offences over the past 2 weeks

Crime Grouping	Week 39 21-25 Sep	Week 40 28-02 Oct	% change
Public Order		1	
Public Order - S4A words / behaviour to cause harassment / alarm / distress		1	
Sexual Offence		2	
Sexual Offence - Other		2	
VAP		1	
GBH		1	
Total		4	

Location of VAWG Offences

Location	Venue	Street	Sector	Total
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The operation was well received and attended by our partners who continue to see the value of the operation, giving many of those who, although involved in the NTE often don't see the

NTE in practice. It gives partners and members a real flavour of what the NTE is about as well as seeing the public out enjoying (for the most part) the hospitality scene in the COL. It does also add to the reality of the NTE for partners when they see the “not so good” side of the public in drink, often struggling to act in a sensible way. Happily those occasions are relatively small but I have no doubt that having Police visible in the NTE goes a long way towards achieving this. Since Reframe began having other support agencies on board has made a big difference in being able to support people who end up finding themselves in some sort of drunken or crisis, situation. It was excellent to have other enforcement partners such as the SIA as part of this as again issues were uncovered.

Results

- 10 Drinks Tested and education piece delivered to patrons at Be@1 Bar Brushfield Street.
- 15 drinks tested at Pop World
- X2 arrests, both for Fruad, people working as SIA door staff, who were in fact, not door staff.
- 39 Licensed premises visits and checks completed
- 10 people visited the welfare tent

Partner feedback

Cleansing

The opportunity to meet other colleagues within COL and to engage with managers of Licensed premises. This allows our team to discuss issues such cleansing, time-banding, clean streets partnerships and noise nuisance issues with the DPS's of these venues as we are the point of call for out of hours noise complaints.

SIA – Kirsty Tagg

Without a doubt one of the most engaging boroughs I have ever worked with. A thoroughly enjoyable experience and good opportunities.

Corp

The Whole operation went very well and an eye opener.

James Thomspson PAB

I was out on Friday night with Operation Reframe and was truly impressed with its ambitions around a safe night time economy and tackling violence against women and girls - both essential outcomes in themselves, but also in support of Destination City. Partners represented included: from City of London: licencing, street cleansing, environmental, communities; and external partners: Parkguard, St John Ambulance and the Samaritans. It is a great piece of collaborative working.

I was also really pleased to see that five officers and staff members from the City Police Women's Newtwork were giving up their Friday night on a voluntary basis to support the operation - giving advice around Ask Angela and avoiding drink spiking.

My thanks and recognition go to the Women's Network and also all those involved in developing the strategy for tackling violence against women and girls and Op Reframe as

well as delivering it including Becky Riggs, Sanjay Andersen, Carly Humpreys and Caroline Hay.

Improvement

It would be useful if the partners could have some aims of their own for the evening. Perhaps to look at issues that have arisen, places they might be interested in seeing, problem areas, problem locations etc. In that way other partners can get a flavour of what the other departments are involved with, concerned or interested in.

Based on number of arrests, we could have more arresting officers, or a suggestion if it is an immigration issue to verify their details as an alternative to Fraud arrest.

Photos – credit James Thompson



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Month	Spend	Deployments		Monthly Officer Numbers for LT & ND's.	Total Officer Numbers for OP REFRAME	Spend Includes:
Apr-22	3053.3	11 + OP REFRAME	Average no. of venues visited on a LT or ND is between 14 and 18. This includes responding live to offences at licensed premises on a Thursday/Friday and Saturday night, following up on crimes that have occurred, liaising with management, assessing how venues are run in person, providing advice and disrupting unbathorised promoted events and closing premises if we feel things are getting out of hand. Average no. of venues visited on OP REFRAME across city is about 35 venues.	~34	15	Officers O/T, Additional Resources (St Johns Ambulance, First Aider), Welfare tent.
May-22	4791.11	7 + OP REFRAME		~24	25	
Jun-22	7744.98	11 + OP REFRAME		~38	35	
Jul-22	12866.4	8 (No Op Reframe)		~38	25	
Aug-22	9276.9	9 + OP REFRAME		~33		
Total	37732.69				20	

Future spends to be agreed
 Urinals for Xmas campaign awaiting
 Further Deployments and Op Reframe 10k per month
 Drink spiking samples for forensics £5,000

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