Increasing crime prevention

Committee(s):	Dated:
Local Policing Committee	16 September 2025
Subject: Commander's Local Operations & Security update.	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation's Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	CoLP impact the following Corp Plan outcomes: Vibrant Thriving Destination- (Community Safety/ CT) Dynamic Economic Growth- (National Lead Force)
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N/A
If so, how much?	N/A
What is the source of Funding?	N/A
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain's Department?	N/A
Report of: Commander Umer Khan	For Information
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Summary

The *public* updates for Local Operations and Security and National Economic and Cyber Crime are attached.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

• Note the report.

Local Policing Committee Update

Local Operations and Security

CoLP receives "Outstanding" grading from His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) for how it records crime

HMICFRS carried out the Police, Effectiveness, Efficiency and Legitimacy (PEEL) inspection across February and March 2025, CoLP were graded "outstanding" for recording crime and "good" for both investigating crime and responding to the public. For 2024/25, CoLP achieved a positive outcome rate of 15.6% for Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) offences, which is more than double the national average rate 6%.

CoLP officers ride in the 2025 Police Unity Tour

Commissioner O'Doherty, PS Ford, Pc Cope, Pc Herilhy and Pc Daniels represented CoLP riding in the 2025 Police Unity Tour in memory of fallen CoLP officer Ian Kellaway. They completed the tour attended by UK forces, cycling over 200 miles in three days to support families of fallen colleagues.

CoLP provide Mutual Aid assistance to President Trump visit to Scotland

In July CoLP provided supporting mutual aid assistance for Operation Roll 2, the policing operation for the visit of the President of the United States. The operation involved local, national and specialist officers from Police Scotland as well as colleagues from UK police forces including CoLP, which was sourced successfully by duty planning with no impact on other resourcing demands in the city.

CoLP continue to pursue and disrupting Organised Crime Groups committing phone snatching offences

Pursuing, disrupting, and protecting the public from phone snatching remains a CoLP priority with Hot Spot analysis and taskings used to assist frontline officers to mitigate the threat. Supporting the wider "Op SWIPE" strategy, the Serious Organised Crime Team (SOCT) are leading several operational initiatives into the upstream activities of organised criminals involved in phone crime. This proactive work has already resulted in some excellent progress including the identification and freezing of suspected criminal proceeds totalling £6.3 million. Significant seizures of phones continue to be made of handsets often destined for overseas linked to thefts, street thefts, robbery, and fraud.

Prolific bag thief sentenced to two and half years in prison

One of CoLP's primary policing plan objective is keeping those who reside, live and visit the city safe. A joint investigation by the Volume Crime Unit (VCU) and the Proactive Acquisitive Crime Team (PACT) has resulted in a thief targeting pubs in the city being sentenced to two and half year's imprisonment for theft, having pleaded guilty to six counts of theft. The prolific offender was also handed a Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO), banning him from entering the city of London for six years.

Burglar who stole £24,000 pleads guilty to three counts of burglary

CoLP continue to prioritise targeting offenders who commit theft and burglary in the city, providing a fast response to minimise the impact on victims and thoroughly investigate all evidential leads to bring the perpetrators to justice. Following an excellent suspect stop by officers, response by forensic crime scene officers and an investigation led by the Criminal Investigation Department (CID), has resulted in a prolific suspect pleading guilty to three counts of burglary where he stole £24,000 worth of wine. They are due to be sentenced for the offences in September.

Six men sentenced to nearly 25 years in total for dealing cocaine in the city

The CoLP Serious and Organised Crime Team (SOCT) are committed to keeping the city safe by focusing on dismantling organised crime groups involved in the production and distribution of drugs, human trafficking and money laundering. Excellent work by SOCT has resulted in an Organised Crime Group (OCG) being dismantled who supplied cocaine in the City of London, with six key suspects being sentenced to 24 years and six months imprisonment.

Cycle Team

CoLP Cycle team are at the forefront nationally of promoting road safety and the seizure of electric cycles being used illegally on roads in the city. Sergeant Ford from the cycle team, recently gave a presentation for the College of Policing about how to deal with illegal e-bikes, explaining how the cycle team effectively operates in the city and

providing advice regarding e-bike enforcement. The cycle team continue to focus on protecting vulnerable road users, seizing illegal e-bikes, and tackling anti-social behaviour through Op Lewis taking their 3 E (Engage, Educate and Enforce) approach. In addition to supporting the forces response to cycle theft (Op Kirk) and phone snatching (Op Swipe), the team have now implemented the CP Medic initiative during nighttime economy by triaging patients and safeguarding vulnerable people by conducting VAWG patrols to prevent people becoming victims of crime.

Cycle Team stats below from June 25 – July 2025.

11 Arrests 1279 Key Messages 8 Stop Search (6 positive) 272 Traffic offence reports 32 E-bike/scooter seizures 6 Process to court 41 intel reports

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A further intensification period is planned for September, in which phone marking events will take place, high visibility patrols will be conducted in targeted "Hot Spot" areas utilising data, and media will be utilised for crime prevention advice. Further details and communication with the Corporation will be given in due course

Commander Umer Khan, City of London Police.