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Lambeth Borough Profile on Local Business Crime & Borough Response

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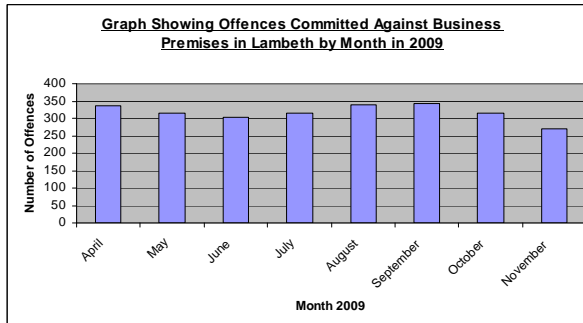
Lambeth OCU

Business Crime Overview

- Analytical Period 1st April 2009 to 30th November 2009
- Any Offence where the victim was categorised as a Company/Commercial Premises/Public Body
- Includes shops, licensed premises, entertainment venues, petrol stations, hostels/care homes, police buildings etc.
- During the analytical period there was a total of 2534 offences
- For the same period in 2008 there were a total of 2922 offences
- This would indicate a downward trend in offending as there has been a reduction of 15.3%
- Lambeth business crime contributes 2.8% to the MPS total (financial year to date)

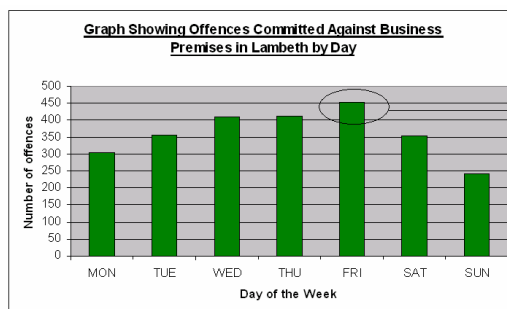
Business Crime Overview

Current Classification	Total
Shoplift <£200	530
Criminal Damage	472
Other Theft	276
False Representation	180
Burglary Non Dwelling	150
Criminal Damage to MV	109
Commercial Robbery	97
Theft from MV	97
Making Off	60
Theft Employee	31
Theft of MV	29
Att Burg Non Dwelling	28
Burglary Dwelling	25
Att Burg Dwelling	23
Arson	20
Total	2127

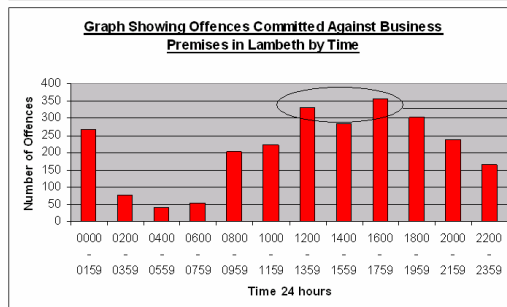


- The table shows the top 15 offences that affect local businesses in Lambeth
- Shoplifting, Criminal Damage and other Theft offences are the most common
- Offending peaked in August, September and April
- Offending was lowest in November

Business Crime: Temporal Profile



Offending escalates during the week with a clear peak on Friday. Offences drop significantly over the weekend



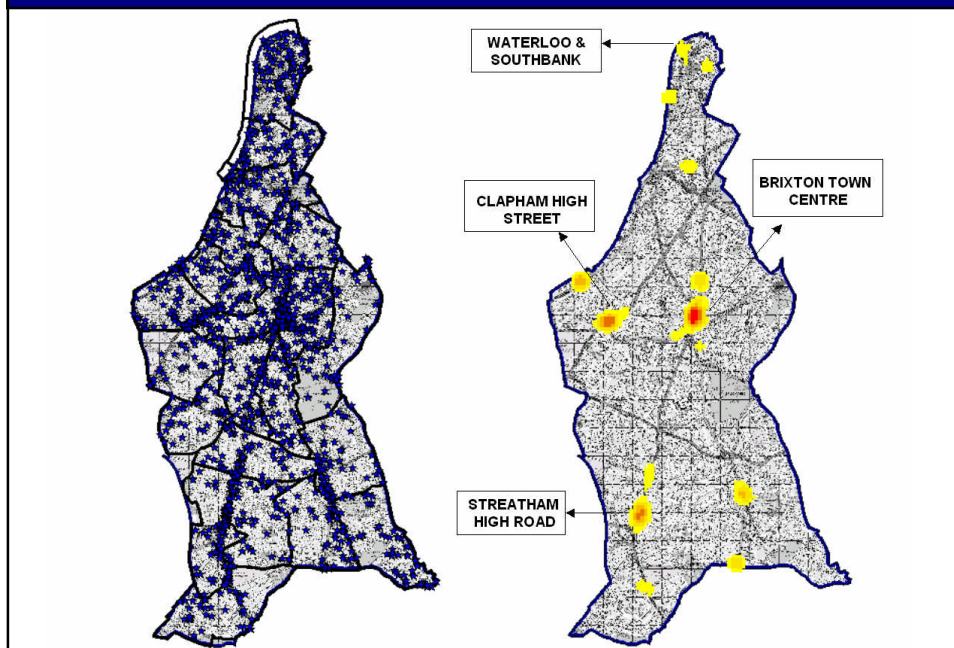
Offending peaks from 1200hrs with the highest number being between 1600 – 1759 hours

General Borough Responses

- Town Centre Teams
- Safer Neighbourhood Teams
- Burglary Investigation and Proactive Teams
- Robbery Investigation and Proactive Teams
- Trading Standards – Alcohol, knives, fireworks, counterfeit goods
- Test purchase operations with officers and Cadets
- Lambeth Business Against Crime

- Targeted Proactive Operations based on Intel.

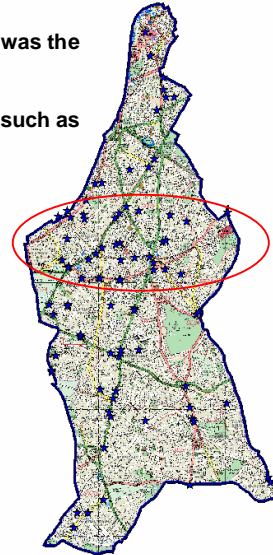
Offence Locations and Hotspot Areas



Commercial Robbery Series

- Between September and November there were 52 Commercial Robberies committed on Lambeth borough.
- During this time Lambeth, in particular the Clapham area was the hotspot for the whole of the MPS for this type of crime.
- There has been an increasing trend in licensed premises such as pubs being targeted.
- Bookmakers were the most common targets, followed by supermarkets and off-licenses

Address	Business Name	Total
	William Hill Bookmakers	11
	Coral Racing Ltd	4
	Iceland Foods Plc	4
	Ladbrokes Ltd	4
	BetterBet	2
	Newsagents	2
	Post Office	2
	Premier Food & Wine	2
	Tescos	2
	Wine Rack	2



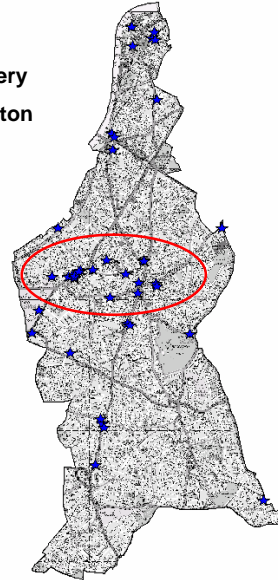
Commercial Robbery Response

- SCD7 (flying squad) investigations
- Robbery proactive and reactive teams
- Vanguard
- Taryn
- SN visits
- Other Firearms Offences**
- SCD8 (Trident) Investigations
- Proactive Firearms Team
- Reactive Firearms Team

Lambeth Licensed Premises

- Licensed premises were victims in 39 of the offences
- Most prominent offences were Theft and Commercial Robbery
- The main offending areas are Clapham High Street and Brixton
- Weapons were used in 11 of the offences
- 6 of these offences were gun-enabled (all Commercial Robberies)
- The only repeat venue was Revolution Bar

Current Classification	Total
Other theft	11
Rob Com	7
Burglary Non D	7
C/Dam Veh	7
Criminal Damage	2
Shoplifting	2
False Represen	2
Theft from MV	1
Makin off	1
Affray	1
Grand Total	39



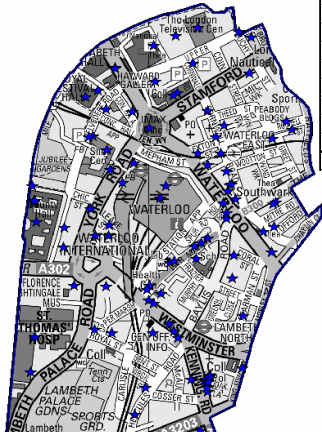
Licensed Premises Response

- Clapham pub watch
- SE24 pub watch (cross border with Southwark)
- Herne Hill working group (residents & licensees)
- Vauxhall Business Forum (clubs & pubs)
- Waterloo Alliance (working with Southbank team)
- Black Club Owners Forum
- LBAC
- Scarlet 100 & local joint partnership bus
- Operation Argons
- Regular meetings with local authority licensing
- Bi-monthly cross border meetings with clubs & vice unit
- Controlled drinking zone
- Door staff subject to Security Industry Authority (SIA)

Hotspot 1: Waterloo and Southbank

Current_Classification	Total
Shoplifting	38
Criminal Damage	33
Other theft	22
Burglary Non Dwelling	13
False Representation	11
Theft from MV	10
Criminal Damage Vehicle	8
Att Burg Non Dwelling	5
Theft Employee	4
Theft of Cycle	4
Arson	3
Commercial Robbery	2
Theft of MV	2
Service Fraud	1
S034/11 Rob pers	1
Other Fraud	1
TDA	1
Harassment	1
Grand Total	160

Address_Business_Name	Total
Royal Festival Hall	17
J Sainsbury Plc	10
Costcutter Supermarket	7
Metropolitan Police	7
St. Thomas's Hospital	7
Boots the Chemists Ltd	4
Evans Cycles (UK) Ltd	4
Iceland Foods Plc	4
Kings College University	4
B F I London Imax Cinema	3
Enterprise Rent A Car	3
William Hill Bookmakers	3
Avis Rent A Car Ltd	2
B F I Southbank	2
Britannia Car Park	2
E F International Language School	2
E.A.T	2
National Theatre	2
Shell International Petroleum Co Ltd	2
Solar Century	2

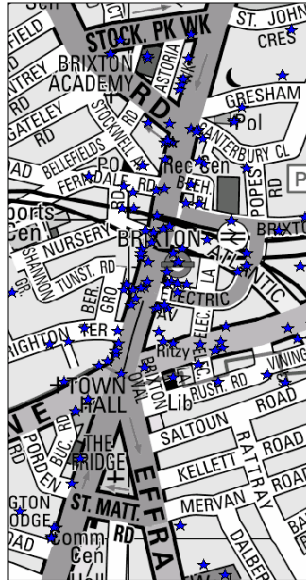


- Accounts for 6% of the total number of offences
- Shoplifting and Criminal Damage main crime problems
- Area also experiences highest incidence of Non-Dwelling Burglary offences
- Biggest victims in this area are the Royal Festival Hall and Sainsburys

Waterloo: Borough Response

- Southbank Team
- CT patrols
- GSZ
- Safer Neighbourhood Teams
- South Bank Employers Group (South Bank Partnership))
- Proactive Operations – Theft, Dips and Bikes

Hotspot 2: Brixton Town Centre



Current_Classification	Total
Shoplifting	87
Criminal Damage	45
False Representation	16
Other Theft	10
Criminal Damage Vehicle	7
Theft from MV	6
ABH & M/Wound	3
Commercial Robbery	3
Common Assault	3
Other Fraud	2
Burglary Non Dwelling	2
Theft Employee	2
GBH W/I	1
Race Dis	1
Snatch	1
Pickpocket	1
Grand Total	190

Address_Business_Name	Total
Superdrug Stores Plc	21
Marks & Spencer Plc	13
William Hill	12
Iceland Foods Plc	10
Morleys Stores Ltd	10
New look	9
Poundland	9
London Borough of Lambeth	7
Metropolitan Police	7
J Sainsbury Plc	6
JD Sports	6
The Carphone Warehouse	5
Jobcentre Plus	4
Boots the Chemists Ltd	3
HSBC	3
KFC	3
Post Office	3
The Money Shop	3
Joy	2
McDonalds Restaurants Ltd	2
Nationwide Building Society	2

• Accounts for 7.5% of total

• Shoplifting more of a significant problem here than in Waterloo

• Larger retail outlets and business premises are repeat venues a higher proportion of times

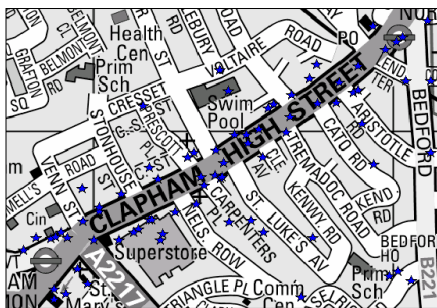
• Superdrug, M&S, William Hill and Iceland are among those targeted most often

Brixton: Borough Response

- Brixton Town Centre Team
- Hub Team
- Safer Neighbourhood Teams
- Business Watch
- Trading Standards / Test Purchase
- Enforcement around handling addresses

- Plus all normal enforcement activity on other crime types (Robbery , Burglary licensing. Drugs and Vice

Hotspot 3: Clapham High Street



Current_Classification	Total
Shoplifting	77
Criminal Damage	20
Other Theft	11
False Representation	8
Commercial Robbery	5
Burglary Non Dwelling	4
Criminal Damage/Vehicle	4
Theft Employee	3
Theft from MV	3
Att Burg Non Dwelling	2
Making Off	2
ABH & M/Wound	1
Snatch	1
Arson	1
Grand Total	142

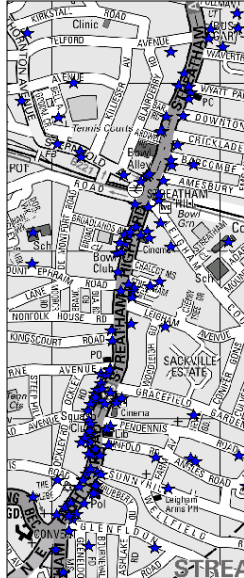
Address_Business_Name	Total
J Sainsbury Plc	43
Boots the Chemists Ltd	22
Superdrug Stores Plc	6
Londis	5
Iceland Foods Plc	3
Natwest	3
Bodeans Restaurant	2
Clapham Manor Street Leisure Centre	2
Flair Dry Cleaners	2
Lloyds TSB Bank Plc	2
McDonalds Restaurants Ltd	2
Studio Voltaire	2
Tote Bookmakers	2

- **Offences in this area account for 6% of the total number in Lambeth**
- **Again Shoplifting is the most significant crime problem**
- **There is a higher number of Commercial Robberies in this area**
- **Sainsburys was the victim in nearly a third of all offences in this area**

Clapham: Borough Response

- Safer Neighbourhood Teams
- LBAC
- Pub Watch
- Enforcement around handling addresses
- Met Special Constabulary deployments
- CT Patrols
- Proactive Operations
- Licensing focus

Hotspot 4: Streatham High Road



Current_Classification	Total	Address_Business_Name	Total
Shoplifting	82	Lidl Supermarket	22
Criminal Damage	32	J Sainsbury Plc	14
Other Theft	12	William Hill Bookmakers	11
False Representation	11	Iceland Foods Plc	7
Criminal Damage Vehicle	9	Somerfields	7
Burglary Non Dwelling	6	Q S Plc	6
ABH & M/Wound	5	Tesco's Express	6
Commercial Robbery	5	Boots the Chemists Ltd	5
Making Off	5	New Look	5
Common Assault	5	William Hill	5
Att Burg Non Dwelling	4	Argos Ltd	4
Theft Employee	4	Metropolitan Police	4
Theft from MV	4	Phones 4 U	4
Att Burglary Dwelling	2	Nationwide Building Society	3
Conspiracy to Defraud	2	Paddy Power	3
Robbery Person	1	Andrews Estate Agents	2
Snatch	1	Halifax Plc	2
Arson	1	Holland & Barrett Ltd	2
Bomb Hoax	1	Murco Petroleum Ltd	2
Vehicle Interference	1	Stockdale	2
Grand Total	193	Streatham Pharmacy	2
		Subway	2
		The Carphone Warehouse	2

Streatham: Borough Response

- Safer Neighbourhood Teams
- A23 Team base at Streatham
- Vice Team based at Streatham
- Proactive Operations