

Vision Zero Insight

A new approach to
Roads Policing



The Vision Zero Action Plan

Vision Zero Action Plan is a **plan to 2041** that focuses on **intelligence led action to reduce risk on our streets**, as part of the overall ambition to eliminate deaths and serious injuries on the whole transport network. It is based on three principles:

A fundamental conviction that **loss of life and serious injuries are not acceptable nor inevitable**

Requires **reducing the dominance of motor vehicles** and the targeting of **road danger at source**

Ensuring **road danger reduction** is a **common priority** central to all transport schemes

The Plan follows the **Safe System** approach:

People make mistakes, so the system needs to accommodate human error and ensure impact energy levels are not sufficient to cause fatal or serious injury. The plan contains actions to deliver:



Safe Speeds



Safe Streets



Safe Vehicles



Safe Behaviours



Vision Zero – Safe Behaviours

To target the riskiest behaviours:

- TfL provides funding each year to the MPS to support transport related enforcement, including **targeted action to make roads safer**.
- **Marketing/communications will give** greater focus to speeding and risky manoeuvres, and tie in with local policing activity.
- **The MPS 3-tiered road danger reduction approach:**



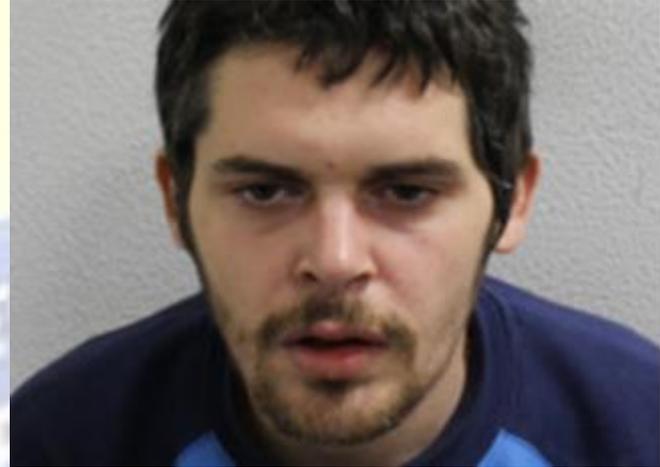
Tier 1 - HIGH RISK OFFENDER SERVING AN 18 MONTH PRISION SENTENCE

Jay Langley, 32 from Sidcup was found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment at Woolwich Crown Court on Friday 29 March. He will also be disqualified from driving for three years' when he is released.

He was found guilty of:

- Dangerous Driving
- Driving whilst disqualified
- Driving with no insurance
- Failing to stop for police
- Possession of class B drug, namely cannabis.

The Met has a priority of proactively targeting High Risk Offenders



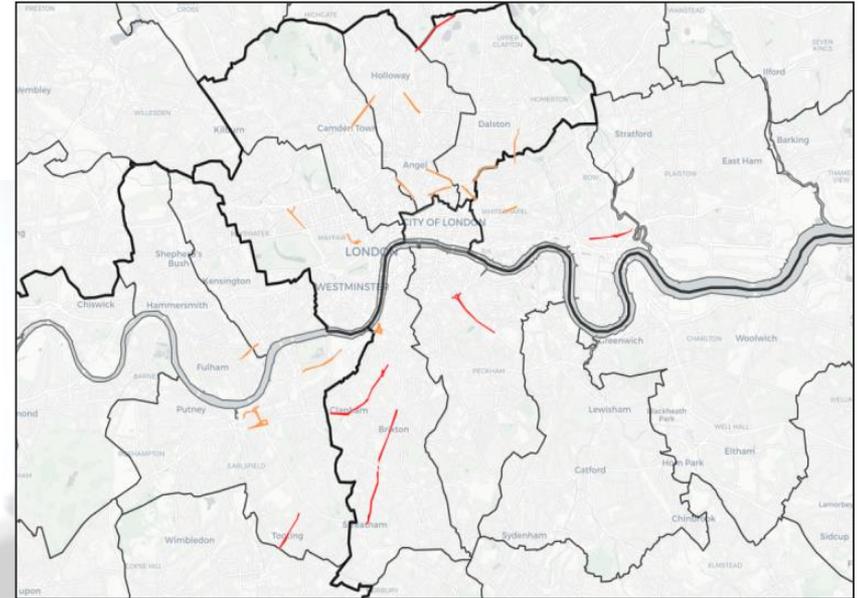
Detective Superintendent Andy Cox, Roads and Transport Policing Command, said: “We are committed to identifying, targeting and removing the most dangerous drivers and riders from London’s roads, as part of Vision Zero. “Langley showed a total disregard for the law, driving a vehicle while disqualified, attempting to evade police, and endangering the lives of other road users, we will use every legal tactic open to us to take these offenders off the roads and end their cycle of re-offending.”



New and improved policing & operational activities

Tier 2 Tactical activity at Intelligence-led locations

- Regular Command-wide days and weeks of enforcement action (e.g. mobile phone week)
- Enhanced intelligence and tasking processes to identify riskiest locations for policing and enforcement interventions
- Operation Goldstein – focused TfL led partnership problem-solving locations
- Increased focus on hit and runs – working with the Motor Insurers' Bureau / stakeholders to better understand profile of offenders and target enforcement activity at highest risk groups
- Increased Taxi and Private Hire road safety enforcement including more joint working with DVSA
- Review / trial of innovative and evidenced-based tactics and activity to inform new approach (e.g. Surround the town, Close Pass, unmarked HGV, Exchanging Places in bus garages)



Risk based methodology - priority score is based on number of collisions, collision recency, severity and mode and merged with the vehicle flow on that link. RoadSafe data is also added to this score to take into account community concerns.



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Tier 3 – Randomised deployment

- Increase in safety camera enforcement and revised enforcement strategy
- Increased use of mobile speed enforcement cameras – more intense use of existing 2 vans and making provision for additional vans from Vision Zero funding
- Launch and rollout of Junior Roadwatch scheme, building on success of Community Roadwatch – (working with schools and communities to tackle speeding issues)
- Comms strategy to raise profile of enforcement and risks of getting caught
- Comms and engagement material being produced for roadside enforcement and engagement activity



Tier 2 Problem Solving Location Example - A10

4 week's of A10/Enfield targeted patrols have seen:-

165 Speeders prosecuted with the highest being 106mph (40 zone)
 13 Vehicles seized
 8 Vehicles seized for No Insurance
 4 Drivers arrested Drink/Drug Drive
 40 Vehicle Defect Prosecutions
 13 Vehicles issued with S59 Police Reform Act
 6 Lost/Stolen vehicles recovered
 13 Arrests made for other offences

Enforcement Stats

Age of youngest driver enforced for speeding on A10

– 17 Years of age (77MPH in a 40MPH Zone)

Highest Speed enforced – 106MPH

How many enforcements over 100mph - 4

How many enforcements over 80mph – 14

Lowest speed enforced

– 59MPH in 40MPH limit

Over 100 offences reported between 60 & 80 MPH in a 40 MPH limit

Within the four months of January to April, there have been 666 static speed camera activations on the A10.



Tier 2 Problem Solving Location Example - A12

SPEEDING ISSUES IDENTIFIED ON THE A12 AND ADDRESSED WITH 720 TICKETS ISSUED

The Roads Policing Officers used several policing tactics to target speeding drivers along a 4 mile stretch of the A12.

This stretch of road has seen 5 fatalities in the 9 month period, from April 2018 to Jan 2019, with speed being the main contributory factor.

From January 2019 to date, over 700 speeding tickets have been issued, with the highest speed seen to be 107MPH within a 50MPH limit.

To date there have been 12 Court outcomes relating to the A12 patrols:

2 Disqualified (Longest ban 12 months)

10 Receiving six penalty points

Average fine £676

Highest fine £1,486



ANPR - ROAD CHALLENGE

Road Challenge is an enhancement of the existing 24/7 ANPR response capability through providing dedicated ANPR resources deployed within identified top 4 ANPR locations/borough's. These units are deployed by additional ANPR dispatchers at MetCC, all with the overall objective of disrupting criminality and reducing road danger. The officers involved within Road Challenge receive a daily briefing to ensure information/intelligence is kept relevant and current.

Road Challenge, provides a coordinated, efficient and effective response to deny high risk, violent and dangerous individuals the use of London's roads. This operation specifically targets subjects in those areas of London suffering from high volumes of fatal and serious collisions, as well as violent crime. Road Challenge contributes towards the strategic aim of the Mayors Vision Zero action plan to reduce serious and fatal collisions in London to ZERO by 2041, as well as supporting the MPS' strategic aim of reducing the increase of violent crime across the capital.



Traffic Offence Public Reporting (Roadsafe)

As well as reporting road traffic collisions online, any witnessed road traffic offences can now also be reported on the Met Police website.

www.met.police.uk/dashcam

The reporter will be asked a number of questions, including:

- Date and time of the incident
- Details of the other person or people involved
- Registration and make of their vehicle
- Contact details of any witnesses to the incident
- Footage or photos of the offence taking place

The information is then reviewed and if appropriate drivers can be sent letters of prosecution. This has proved hugely successful, resulting in a large prosecution numbers at court.

Signs are placed on Vision Zero priority roads, encouraging the public to report dangerous driving they have witnessed at the location.



No Insurance

There has been in excess of 5,000 uninsured vehicles seized by officers over the last 3 months. Within the month of May the MPS seized 1,918 uninsured vehicles on the roads of London.

Officers seized this BMW D6 valued at approx. 135K from an uninsured driver.

Each year thousands of people are killed or injured by uninsured drivers.

Taking these drivers off the road is a fundamental part of road safety.

Drivers can face a minimum of a £300 fine, 6 penalty points and their vehicle seized



Future challenges

The Vision Zero Action Plan concludes with a commitment to continually strengthening our programme to address future challenges and achieve our long-term ambitions

- Monitor and measure the impact and progress of actions
- New powers necessary for effectively tackling danger
- Innovation:
 - Measuring risk rather than casualties
 - Use of data
 - New and emerging vehicle technology

