

# Putting uLez Cameras to Better Use

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## More Street CCTV means You can Run, but you can't Hide

GLTN makes no apology for stepping outside its remit in the following shocking pages. Shocking in what happened to Sarah Everard (33) back in March [2021]. And shocking that the crimes were by a serving Police officer betraying his privileged position in society.

The investigation started out as a missing persons' enquiry: friends and workmates, credit card and 'phone use, habits, local hospitals, neighbours... only then would CCTV coverage be sought, collected and reviewed. Rapist and

murderer Couzins (48) received a "whole life tariff" prison sentence in September.



*Sarah's warm smile reminds those in power to urgently do all that's possible to make today's continuing saga of violent crime on the streets of London become yesterday's history. Sara received a "nil life tariff" sentence. R I P*

## 2021's Calendar of Carnage tops 2020 Total

31st December	The Guardian follows The Sun telling the world of "London's 130 Teenage Homicide Victims" in its own calendar
30th December	Zaian Aimable-Lina (15) stabbed death, Ashburton Park, Croydon
17th December	Jobari Gooden (27) stabbed death, Chourmert Rd, Peckham
15th December	Kingston male stabbed death, Surbiton Rd, Kingston <i>Traders "call for more CCTV" (Radio Jackie report)</i>
14th December	Male (23) stabbed death Hampton St, Elephant & Castle
9th December	Female (60) rape, Garratt Lane, Wandsworth
1st December	Mickey Johal (37) stabbed death, Louise Gdns, Rainham
29th November	Anti-semitic attacks against bus, Oxford Street
28th November	Father (61) daughter (31) stabbed Mayes Rd, Wood Green
24th November	Rishmeet Singh (16) stabbed death Raleigh Rd, Southall
23rd November	Males (21, 16, 14) stabbed Wealdstone High St, Harrow
18th November	Jarmaine Cools (14) stabbed death London Rd, Croydon
16th November	Azoulas Zygelis (15) body found in Barking stream
6th November	Mohammed Aqil Mahdi fatal shooting, Tower Hamlets
1st November	Female punched & indecent assault, Piccadilly CAD624/01
1st November	Male (60s) fail-to-stop motorist, death Vesta Rd, Brockley
31st October	Muhyidin (18) stabbing. Suspect (15) Romford Rd, Ilford
28th October	Male stabbing in Victoria, another in Ilford
17th October	male critical injury High St, Beckenham CAD536/17OCT
30th September	female (11) sexual assault, Sussex Ring, North Finchley
21st September	Mohamed Ensser stabbing death, East Ferry Rd, Isle of Dogs
18th September	Sabina Nessa murdered in Kidbrooke

## Mayor candidates back uLez Camera Watch

Ahead of this year's Conservative Party conference Cllr Susan Hall AM (68) announced on LBC that she would make available London's switched-off uLez cameras to the Police.

Her street surveillance plan supports our cross-party campaign launched two years ago in honour of Sarah Everard, who was abducted from south circular road, raped, and murdered.

Speaking on *GB News* Howard Cox (69) Reform UK's mayor candidate said: "It's a good idea".

Former Police radio control room officer now editor of *GLTN* says: "There has to be a feasibility study before real time live video feeds can be made available to augment old council cameras that operators currently struggle with.

Quizzed by LBC's Nick Ferrari, Hall said: "We'd give the cameras to Police.

It's a massive tool for them."

*The Sun reports 27th Sept 2023*



A huge fight involving more than 200 school-children broke out at a bus stop in Edmonton Green.



Children reportedly brought knives and bleach to the brawl that lasted nearly three hours and had to be dispersed by police on Wednesday afternoon. The pupils, believed to have been from several schools in the area, caused chaos on Edmonton Green bus station after school.

Police said: "In order to disperse the crowds we were supported by National Police Air Service (NPAS) that positioned their helicopter above the crowd, providing aerial support to colleagues on the ground. Enfield Council CCTV monitored the local area both during and after the incident. Due to combined efforts of CCTV operatives, NPAS, and local Officers, crowds were dispersed by 7 o'clock. A dispersal order is in place."



## Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch

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## Why won't Mayor of London use Traffic Cameras to Fight Crime?

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London's glorious celebration of colour, music, ethnic culture and costumes follows Trinidad & Tobago's annual Port of Spain display of happiness. It competes with the Caribbean: floats, dancers, and multi-kilowatt amplified Soca music wend their way through the eleven and a half square miles of west London. The original celebration started in 1959 at St Pancras town hall — the three day bash is now a street celebration around Ladbroke Grove. Organiser Linett Kamala estimated there would be up to 2 million visitors to this year's bash. Some 13 steel, 72 mast, and six Brazilian bands performed; 36 sound systems and 300 stalls were involved. The high power sounds were scheduled to end at 7pm each night to protect residents — that condition to the carnival's license proved to be unenforceable. Police estimate one million attended during Bank Holiday Monday alone. Some of the revellers, keen to join this treasured national event in dance spirit were under the influence of alcohol or marijuana, or both. Dropping natural defences they attract a darker side — knife wielding muggers, dip thieves, drug dealers, even sexual predators mixed unrecognised with the innocents. And it's the innocents that suffered.

This year's [2022] carnival was the first since Covid cancelled the last two. That 2019 carnival resulted in 463 arrests. The Met then warned that gangs were "attempting to ruin the event for others." A 21 year old was gunned down by machine pistol for "showing disrespect". The catalogue of crime came to 209 arrests — 46 for assault, eight for sexual assault, and 27 for public order offences. 36 arrests were made for possession of drugs, five for criminal damage, and 33 for possession of an offensive weapon. There were 10 other arrests for possession of psychoactive substances, seven for drink or drug one theft, one robbery and 35 more listed as 'other'. Police were forced to issue a Section 60 order allowing them stop and search powers on the revellers without suspicion for dangerous instruments and offensive weapons.



The Met reported the cost of policing 2019's carnival at £8.6 million. The festival does however bring hundreds of thousands of tourists into London and creates an estimated £120 million for the economy, they add.

The west London carnival area is bounded close to A207, A40, and A404 where London mayor Khan's uLex cameras attempt to scoop up £12.50 tolls against unwary motorists. But the £12.50 daily payment runs on a midnight to midnight basis. So anyone with a non-regulation car entering the zone a few minutes before midnight need to pay again if leaving a few minutes after. Otherwise an £80 penalty [now £180 reduced to £90 if paid in 14 days] fine pops through your letterbox if either toll is not paid within 72 hours.

Despite Khan publicly pleading poverty to adequately fund Transport for London (TfL) buses and the underground, over £6 billion will have been paid out by the Government by 2024, fulfilling pledges to keep the capital's public transport system moving during the Covid pandemic. The mayor, who also chairs TfL, was able to find £130 million for the 350 extra cameras plus 400 secreted within the expanded Ultra Low Emission Zone area that started operation at the end of October last year.

Though Conservative, Liberal Democrat and even a Labour member of the London Assembly supported making available images from this vast camera network to help Police, the mayor hid behind the bureaucracy of needing fresh Data Protection Act (DPA) "permissions" to switch the cameras over to a real-time street-monitoring role helping borough commanders fight London's epidemic of machete and knife street robberies. Former mayor Boris Johnson together with then Home Secretary Theresa May organised a DPA permission for the original eight square mile uLez area in 2008.

So uLez cameras are not currently switched on to assist police struggling with their old van-based and patchy local council-provided CCTV coverage. It would be an up to date valuable tool that would further help Gold Command keep watch on the low lifes. But Khan prefers to collect his £12.50 tolls — hoping for £180 fines — than to strike increased fear of arrest in the thugs.



## London's Street Terror continues ~ it's not safe to corner shop after dark

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Such is the attitude of some animals toward sanctity of life. Violent criminals hold little fear of being apprehended knowing there's a good chance of "getting away with it." Severe cuts to front line manpower overseen by the mayor in his role as London's Police & Crime Commissioner (MOPaC) only add to their smug selfishness. Drug dealing, county lines gang culture, no respect for the rule of law, and general despondency are common among these creatures of the night.

So-called experts describe perpetrators by racial, religious, or income group. In studios trendy media contributors paint them as "victims of society" trying to excuse such behaviour. That well-educated well-paid public sector leftie-leaning elite with their repeated media mantras are not members of those groups, having never known poverty or deprivation themselves.

Wikipedia's concise listing of CCTV footage collected after the event indicates just how much camera coverage there is out there. But nearly all goes un-monitored in real time. Had the abduction of Sarah been viewed as it happened — hire car, lone male, no uniform, met vest or hi-viz worn, no Aircall radio, or any incident listed as live in the area, an arrest taking place using handcuffs of a lone female — then an experienced CCTV operator could've raised the alarm. Had the abduction been monitored at Metcall Lambeth in real time then a central communications command local borough policing pod would've known there was no unit assigned to that location or the locality. Repeated dispatch channel radio calls would've gone unanswered.

Sarah's abduction prompted much debate on how much vetting prospective Police officers should undergo: re-interviewing existing officers to ensure none are on the payroll deemed having a suspect past; various safety "initiatives" directed primarily toward females. And the Home Secretary's endorsement of an "888" service "phone app" that logs planned movements so that, again after the event, if you don't turn up where and when you've said you will then an alert would transmit the 'phone's cellular co-ordinates to a central desk. These are after-the-event palliatives by the State intended to replace action in the hope that inaction won't be noticed. There's been no debate on prevention before the event.

### Croydon: London's Knife Crime Capital

2023 was the worst on record for teenage murders in London. There were 30 in total, and five happened in Croydon — more than any other borough in the capital. "I'm working with the Met, look at my skin colour. I will stand with the Met until we get this problem dealt with," says Julius Cools, father of 14 year old Jermaine Cools, who was stabbed to death in November 2021 on London Road, Croydon. He is interviewed by Sky News *Eyewitness* at same spot.



### STABBINGS IN LONDON SO FAR THIS YEAR

There have been dozens of knife attacks in the capital since the start of 2021



#	Boroughs	Knife attacks
1	Westminster	2
2	Brent	6
3	Merton	1
4	Haringey	5
5	Tower Hamlets	2
6	Islington	2
7	Croydon	5
8	Enfield	1
9	Lambeth	3
10	Camden	3
11	Ealing	1
12	Redbridge	1
13	Hounslow	1
14	Southwark	1
15	Newham	2
16	Hammersmith	1
17	Hackney	1
18	Haverin	1
19	Barnet	1
20	Greenwich	1

The Sun on June 21st was moved to tell the whole country that UK's capital city was also UK's capital city of knife crime

### Questions to the mayor ~ a timetable of Inaction

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### Cross Party Support at last ~ uLex cameras for Enhanced Street Surveillance

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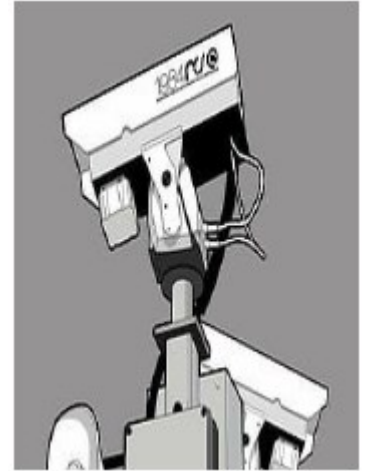
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# Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch

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against London's Police service and its inability to command the public support it once enjoyed, the mayor said: "I've been in detailed discussions with the Home Secretary about how we must urgently do everything necessary to rebuild trust and confidence in the Police. The Home Secretary and I agreed that the gravity of the situation requires no less than a proper inquiry."

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Labour's Krupesh Hirani AM (*Brent & Harrow*) added his support for enhanced CCTV watch from uLex cameras on December 16th. He asked 2021/5084: "While the primary aim of CCTV is to monitor and enforce the uLex extension stretching to the north circular road, can the cameras be used to aid police investigations?"

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Only Green Party assembly members have yet to add their question supporting uLex cameras' use for enhanced street CCTV.

## A Timetable of Inaction ~ update

Apart from confirming a new Data Protection Act Assessment would be needed to share uLex-camera images with Police, no answers to any of the questions listed below have been given by the mayor.

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18 November — Boff and Pidgeon table formal questions

27 November — GLTN issue 4 published double page spread dedicated to Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch. Sent to all greater London assembly members, editors of all print and broadcast media. GLTN continues to lobby all assembly members

16 December — Krupesh Hirani tables question for uLex cameras

10 Mar Female attempted abduction into car Shacklewell Rd Dalston

14 Mar Tyler Hurley (16) stabbed murder High Rd Chadwell

17 Mar Three men stab wounds one fatal (30s) Maguire Drive Richmond

## 2022's Gruesome Carnage starts

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4 Jan Dariusz Wolosz (46) stabbing murder High St Yiewsley W. Drayton

11 Jan 200 kids from different schools battle with knives and bleach bottles at Edmonton Bus Station. Police unable to contain this civil unrest.

21 Jan Man robbed of super car's keys 8 suspects Woolwich Common

24 Jan Woman (43) stabbed murder Chippenham Rd Maida Vale Boy (15) GBH machete 50 school kids Sainsburys Finsbury Park

26 Jan Antisemitic assault on two bakers Cadoxton Ave Stamford Hill

27 Jan Jamie Gilby (20) murder Auckland Rd, Sylvan Rd & Woodvale Ave South Norwood

4 Feb School boys fighting knife & machete RTE109 bus Streatham Hill

9 Feb Bartosz Wyrzykowski (21) knife murder Lionel Rd Eltham

11 Feb Police launch appeal for CCTV footage stabbing Regina Rd Southall 30 Sept last year CAD6486/30SEPT21

14 Feb Naome Hunte (41) stabbed murder Congleton Grove Greenwich. Police Officer assaulted by five males Bexleyheath

Broadway GBH & Assault on Emergency Service worker

15 Feb Carol Ewemade (84) missing Greenwich-Norbury

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24 Feb Male (34) stabbed murder Review Rd/Heather Rd Norbury. Dawn Butler MP requests more information

CAD7991/24FEB

27 Feb Darcy Diaz (23) Racist attack shoe high heel to face Queens Cres Kentish Town

2 Mar Male (20s) Drive-by shoot Sainsburys Streatham High Rd

5 Mar Theft of Ukraine Appeal donations box about £100 taken Sawmill Café West Ham La Stratford 4698/05MAR

8 Mar Boy (17) gunshot Gilpin Sq Clapton CCTV appeal

CAD3353/07MAR



## Bromley Councillor Organises “Remember Them” Demo Outside City Hall

A vigil held on 5th April 2024 in memorium for victims of knife crime in the capital reminded politicians of their prime directive — Safety of the Public. London had seen rising knife crime with a peak of nearly 16,000 incidents in the year before the pandemic.



A pavement plaque for every victim with age shown



Knife crime numbers: each a life wasted



The vigil outside City Hall highlighted each victim in a silent tribute displaying every young life lost.

[NTD UK News - London Knife Crime Fatalities Vigil outside City Hall - 5th April 2024 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

Each of the plaques represented a greater London name aged under 21. “This plaque represents the unborn baby of Andra Hilitanu. The mother was stabbed when she was eight months pregnant. And the child was killed as well,” Cllr Fawthrop told *NTD UK News*. “That is horrific.”

The figures uncovered by the You Tube moderated streaming TV channel don’t include shootings or victims who have survived. The numbers point to a reduction during Covid pandemic lockdown but are on the rise again. One victim’s mother said: “They listen to drill rap music from Heady One and others and they identify with the movement. I think it’s really bad”. None of the main political parties’ mayor

candidates chose to attend. And neither did the major media. The mayor of London chairs the mayor’s Police & Crime Committee (MOPaC). A position equivalent to Police & Crime Commissioner elsewhere in UK.

**This press release was issued by GLTN following a spate of “steaming” offences by youths at a Blackheath funfair in 2022. Local mayor and candidates chose to look the other way ignoring activists’ calls for action at forthcoming council elections. It was followed by another “steaming” stabbing at a Finsbury Park supermarket.**

### Is Martial Law the Answer?

**Feral youths** run wild on our streets unafraid of being caught. They wield knives and machetes without a care. Death by stabbing figures for 2022 are already mounting. Many of our councillors look the other way. In some boroughs Police have demonstrably lost the battle. But the war could still be won.

After 2011 Croydon riots with copy-cat riots elsewhere in UK; September's Trafalgar Square unlawful demonstration against Covid restrictions; running battles with Police at Clapham Common Sarah Everard "vigil" held in March; last week's war of knives and bottles of bleach at Edmonton Green bus station (pictured) between 200 school children; all showed Police hopelessly out-powered when mass disturbance turns nasty.



Isn't it time Martial Law be imposed on some areas? Wouldn't a Covid-style Level 2 Police-enforced lockdown with enhanced stop and search catch knife and machete carrying low-lives? Many major incidents show that armed civil insurrection has been deliberately encouraged by activists more interested in damaging State authority challenging

Police enforcement than the issues they pretend to support. Councils should have powers to declare "Martial Law" in their borough if mob lawlessness breaks out. That could mean a complete shutdown during hours determined by the Order. Just like during Covid level two. And like Covid restrictions -- Police enforceable. Police know their local borough operational command unit areas where gang culture is prevalent. Those areas' rampaging youths could be the first to have their collars' felt. Existing disbursal orders just clear the area leaving nearby streets vulnerable to the mob.

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## London Street Terror continues ~ serious knife crime tops 2020 total

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At around 9pm on March 3rd, Sarah Everard left a friend's house on Leathwaite Rd. She walked along the A205 south circular across the common en route to her Brixton Hill home. She spoke to her boyfriend on her 'phone for about 15 minutes and agreed to meet him next day. At 9.28pm, she was seen on doorbell camera footage on Poynders Rd. And four minutes later on the dashcam of a passing police car.

Couzens had parked a hired Vauxhall on the pavement outside Poynders Court, Clapham. (Lambeth & Southwark) He stopped Everard and showed her his Police warrant card before handcuffing and falsely arresting her under pretence of breaching Covid guidelines. Couzens and Everard were twice captured by bus CCTV: the first at 9.35pm showed them beside the hired Vauxhall and three minutes later the Vauxhall's number plate could be read. By 11.43pm they were in the Dover area. Between then and two hours later Couzens had raped and murdered Sarah by means of his police belt around her neck.



CCTV footage released by the Metropolitan police shows the moment Wayne Couzens stopped Sarah Everard. The then Met officer later burned her body to try to hide his crimes, including kidnap, rape and murder.

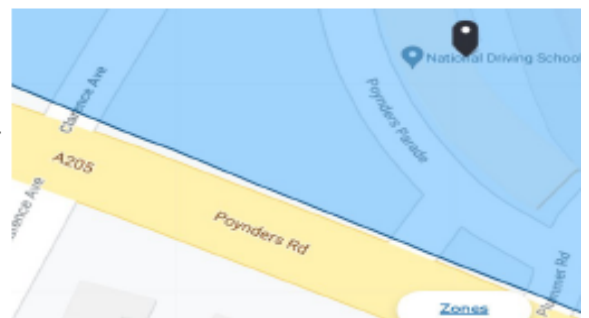
Above is Wikipedia's listing of CCTV footage collected after Sarah's false arrest, rape and murder. These stills come from near the south circular where uLex cameras abound outside her home in Clapham. Cousine's hire car had it's hazard lights on attempting to indicate some form of official status. These last hours of Sarah's life were



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Transport for London's uLex area (in blue) shows Sarah's home (arrowed) where Couzens parked his hire car knowing his own car's number plate would be read by TfL's uLex number plate cameras at entrances to Clarence Avenue and Plummer Road



## "Where is Safe Now in London?"

Witnesses described how some 30 teenagers from two rival groups clashed at a supermarket car park in Finsbury Park in January 2022, reports *Evening Standard*. Police were called to a disturbance involving a group of youths in Sainsbury's car park on Williamson Road, N4, at 4.32pm. A 14-year-old boy was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder and attempted robbery. A victim was slashed with a machete as customers with children looked on in horror. The 15-year-old boy, "extremely lucky to be alive," was found with serious injuries and taken to hospital by ambulance where he remained in a serious but stable condition.

A Sainsburys worker said: "There were about 30 boys of all races in the car park. They were most probably from local schools. It seemed peaceful at first but there was a fight and I saw a machete. The next thing a boy was laying on the ground with a deep slash wound to his kneecap and an injury to his side. "Some of the customers had young children with them seeing things they should not see. We alerted Police and customers ran out to try to help the boy. It was very distressing for everyone. "

A local resident said: "We shop there all the time it really hurts us as a community." The mother of three said she'd shielded her children as the violence flared. "Children should not be exposed to things like this. This was in a supermarket in London in the day time. Where is safe now in London?"

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Empty "pods" (workstations) at Metcall Bow. Ready now for extra CCTV operators to perform real-time street monitoring enhancing Londoner's security and deterring street violence

## You can Run, but you can't Hide

There are many vacant, already connected, workstations at the Met's three existing control rooms for the extra staff that could be seconded from TfL's increased uLex monitoring, re-deployment from civilian staff, or PCSOs on rotation. Existing control room dispatcher's and support channel operators could also take on additional real time monitoring — they already have CCTV monitoring facilities. The sites are Metcall Bow, Hendon, and Lambeth.

Each operator's CCTV screen gives an up to four cameras' view in real time. The vacant pods were planned years ago to integrate control room staff of London Ambulance (LAS), Fire Brigade (LFB), and Police. That plan failed due to incompatibility between systems. The planned LFB and LAS pods at the three Police control centres have been empty ever since. Pictured is the second in a series of views of Metcall Bow, the empty "pods" (workstations) are replicated at Metcall Hendon and Lambeth.

### A Timetable of Inaction ~ update

Apart from confirming a new Data Protection Act Assessment would be needed to share uLex-camera images with Police, no answers to any of the questions listed below have been given by the mayor.

27 May to 1 July 2021 — five questions around seeking Data Protection Act impact Assessment for TfL to share images with Police. Eventual answer: new DPIA required for the 750 new uLex cameras. (No update since 1st July)

5 October — "The sad events of Sarah Everard show that particularly women can't safely be outside their homes after dark. Would he consider re-directing some of the 750 extra cameras toward an enhanced programme of street surveillance? Those intent on causing harm to others should know that they will be identified and caught." (no answer to GLTN's question to date)

12 October — GLTN's editor interviewed on LBC

14 October — Emma Best AM dramatically describes during mayor's question time her and her housemate's "harrowing" experiences. The mayor is moved to express his "sorrow".

18 November — Boff and Pidgeon table formal questions

27 November — GLTN issue 4 published double page spread dedicated to Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch. Sent to all greater London assembly members, editors of all print and broadcast media. GLTN continues to lobby all assembly members

16 December — Krupesh Hirani tables question for uLex cameras

### Cross Party Support ~ Labour adds question for uLex cameras' Street Surveillance

Mayor's question time held on November 18th gave Tory assembly chairperson Andrew Boff AM and Lib Dem transport committee leader Caroline Pidgeon AM chances to quiz the mayor on plans to switch uLex cameras into a street surveillance role.

Labour's Krupesh Hirani AM (*Brent & Harrow*) added his support for enhanced CCTV watch from uLex cameras on December 16th.

Boff blandly asked 2021/4461: "Will you be using uLex expansion cameras to enhance street safety?" Pidgeon went further with 2021/4378: "Please update me on work to ensure that streams and images from the new uLex cameras, installed as part of the expansion, can, where necessary, be shared with the Met to support their work and investigations."

Labour's Krupesh Hirani (*Brent & Harrow*) asked 2021/5084: "While the primary aim of CCTV is to monitor and enforce the uLex extension stretching to the north circular road, can the cameras be used to aid police investigations?"

Only Green Party assembly members have yet to add their question supporting uLex cameras' use for enhanced street CCTV.

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## Mayor blames the Boroughs

Instead of putting frighteners on knife and machete wielding jobs telling them "you can run but you can't hide", as chairperson of Transport for London and heading up the Mayor's Office for Policing & Crime (MOPaC) he's passed the buck to the boroughs for them to bid for enhanced CCTV street watch ensuring his precious 750 uLex fines-generating camera network remains untouched. Yet again, violent street crime's not his fault.

Replying to Tory authority chairperson Andrew Boff's question of last November, as GLTN went to press, the mayor confirmed: "Work is under-way with the Metropolitan Police to enable sharing of data from the new ULEZ cameras, in compliance with data protection legislation and where this would be necessary and proportionate." But the mayor warned: "However, they are not used for directly enhancing street safety.

"MOPaC has also submitted bids from local authorities for the Government's Safer Streets Fund. To date, five local authorities in London have been successful in the first three rounds of the fund. Should a fourth round be announced this year, MOPaC will submit further bids." By now he could've also ordered a feasibility study into switching uLex cameras into a real-time monitored extra CCTV role. But hasn't. (contin p8)

(contin. from p7) GLTN has found in TfL's archives: "In 2012 the then mayor of London's crime manifesto included a commitment to instruct TfL to give Metropolitan Police Service direct real time access to Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras used to enforce road user charging schemes, for the purposes of preventing and detecting crime. This arrangement was approved by the then Home Secretary, signing a certificate confirming that TfL and MPS are exempt from certain provisions of data protection legislation for that purpose."

An answer to Caroline Pidgeon's 2021/4378 November question to the mayor was slipped out quietly last month also claiming that a Data Protection Impact Assessment was required. According to unearthed archives, nothing of the sort is needed.

Surrounded in municipal jargon, the mayor's reply contains this paragraph of form normally parodied by the classic BBC series *Yes Minister*: "The GLA's 24 Hour London Team is working with boroughs to help them create holistic night-time strategies which should ensure that issues around safety and barriers to participation are addressed. This includes developing world-leading guidance and providing dedicated expert advice to support boroughs to create diverse and inclusive night-time plans." *Yes, Mr Mayor!*



## Mayor dithers, delays, then plays Politics with street safety

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The *Mail Online* reported Sarah's family saying last year's justified national outrage at Sarah's false arrest, rape and murder was "political hijacking of her death, not something she would have wanted."

The offences carried out by a serving Police Officer sent shockwaves through society, setting off a public movement that had little to do with profound grief felt by those who knew and loved her, the paper added. *GLTN* says the political hijacking came from militant wimmins' groups pushing an agenda of making misogamy a criminal offence. And other groups seeking to undermine Police painting them as an oppressive arm of the State. The political left buys their support of these groups that claim mass membership. Some even receive public funds.

The mayor of London demands changes in policing priorities to match his weather-vane perception of whatever direction the political wind blows. He believes sonorous tones and a statesman-like manner acted out in newsrooms and studios somehow compensate for his Mayor's Office for Policing & Crime (MOPaC) failures. Mayor Khan even undermined his own Police Commissioner leaving her no alternative but to resign. Prompting her Deputy to publicly claim Dame Cressida Dick had been removed "contrary to legislative procedure with her ousting instead played out in the media".

## Pooh Corner



### 'Independence is crucial to Met for an effective democracy'

above and right: snips from London Evening Standard 8th April  
Lib Dem London-wide member of greater London assembly Caroline Pidgeon has criticised Home Secretary Priti Patel's decision to appoint Sir Stephen House QPM as Metropolitan Police Acting Commissioner following previous commissioner Dame Cressida Dick's ousting by the labour mayor. Pidgeon sought assurances over House's stop and search policy during his 2012-15 tenure as Chief Constable of Scotland.

Amid further criticism of the force's handling of lockdown parties in Downing Street, Dame Cressida, whose last day is Sunday, warned: "The current politicisation of policing is a threat not just to policing but to trust in the whole criminal justice system. Operational independence from local and central government is crucial for an effective democracy and is a model respected around the world. We must all treasure and protect it."

Mr Khan had expressed anger at Dame Cressida's response to the outrage over offensive messages

It's good to know that nowadays a mid-gender hate crime receives an "I" grade immediate response from Territorial Support Group. Such is his twisted priorities as he plays politics with London's policing. He's now demanding a million speeding tickets in the next 12 months. Meantime his failure to keep Londoners safe is not his fault, but the Government's, he wails.

Amid all this noise, genuine heartfelt campaigning voices of concern are drowned out. Helena Edwards, one of Sarah's closest friends at her former Durham University said: "My friend's tragic death has been hijacked. It is not a tribute to her any more, it's about something else."

If our Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch campaign — supported by three of the four political parties represented on the greater London assembly — results in just one life being saved through the use of uLex cameras to enhance real time CCTV street coverage, then that will be a fitting memorial.

Now that no extra data protection act "permissions" are needed Londoners wait for the mayor to instruct his MOPaC and Transport for London staff to produce a joint feasibility study.

◆ In February 2021, House told the assembly's police & crime committee that the Met would continue to disproportionately stop and search black people and the public ought not to be concerned. House said stop and search is concentrated in areas believed to suffer from "real problems with violence" and that ceasing to disproportionately target black people would "require police officers to stop and search elderly people."

Metropolitan Police Officers broke up a Clapham Common vigil following the murder of Sarah Everard at the hands of a serving Officer.

House declined to apologise for using force against the Covid regulations-busting demonstrators. He described the vigil prior to police intervention as a "very, very hostile situation".





# Labour's £12.50 price of a Life



Sarah leaves her friend's apartment just after 9pm for the 50 minute walk to her Brixton home (Met Police)

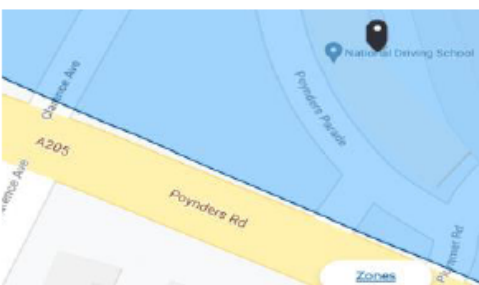
## More CCTV from uLex Cameras demanded

Sarah Everard (33) was abducted, raped and murdered by a serving Police Officer betraying his privileged position in society.

The alarm was raised first by her boyfriend Josh after she failed to turn up to a business meeting the following day — a missing persons' Police enquiry then started. Friends and workmates, credit card and 'phone use, habits, local hospitals, and neighbours were checked. Only after drawing a blank was CCTV coverage sought, collected and reviewed.

Previous issues of *GLTN* show how, if nearby uLex cameras had been monitored in real time, the rogue Police Officer could've been seen wrongly apprehending Sarah and bundling her into his hire car.

Rapist and murderer Couzens (48) received a "whole life tariff" prison sentence in September. He's now a protected inmate and the jail's tea organiser. Sara received a "nil life tariff" sentence last March. *RIP*



Poynders Road, Brixton part of the A205 south circular where uLex cameras are known to be at junctions with Clarence Avenue and Plummer Road guarding the uLex area (blue). Arrow points to Poynders Court, Sarah's home address. (TfL)

London's mayor prefers taking twelve-pound-fifties from motorists caught by his newly installed army of 750 uLex cameras that cost £130 million. Rather than tackling murdering street scum by turning those same cameras on them.

As chairperson of Transport for London (TfL) the mayor extracted some £16 million from London motorists in the first four weeks of uLex. He continues his rip off to fund TfL's grant aid shortfall justifying the protection racket as "cleaning up London's toxic air." And next year seeks to expand uLex to cover the whole of greater London. Without any democratic mandate.

This is the same mayor that shuts his eyes to "Rambo" knife and machete street attacks — often the result of drug gang warfare glorified by "driller" rap music.

Across London ferule youths rampage causing mayhem — the whole of Lewisham borough was issued with a Section 60 order this Easter giving Police the right to body and vehicle search without prior reasonable grounds. Traditional family visits to Blackheath funfair were destroyed as youths "steamed" between rides and stalls. Parents took their youngsters away too frightened to continue risking the day out. It's against this fearful backdrop repeated throughout London that enhanced CCTV monitoring of our streets in real time together with a major public information campaign must tell hooligans "you can run but you can't hide". It's only by increasing their fear of likely arrest and full-term jail sentences that the thugs will be deterred.

## Fobbed off "a job for boroughs"

The mayor at first tried to fob off *GLTN*'s campaign telling assembly members fresh data protection act "permissions" were required for the new TfL uLex cameras to share their images with Police. Now he says "bids" for increased CCTV should come from the boroughs. But *GLTN* discovered a 2012-signed

blanket agreement between former mayor Boris Johnson and former Home Secretary Theresa May: "...the then mayor of London's crime manifesto included a commitment to instruct TfL to give Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) direct access to automatic number plate recognition cameras (ANPR) used to enforce road user charging schemes, for the purposes of preventing and detecting crime. This arrangement was approved by the then Home Secretary signing a certificate confirming that TfL and MPS are exempt from certain provisions of data protection legislation for that purpose."

The mayor eventually answered a question from Andrew Boff AM, 2021/4461, tabled three months before: "A network of ANPR cameras is helpful for assisting MPS in preventing and detecting crime. However, they are not used for directly enhancing street safety." [our italics] But they can — with political will. It's just that the mayor prefers to have knifings and stabbings on the streets of London and collect £12.50 every time a non-compliant vehicle enters his zones. Rather than deter murderers by protecting all of us with live real-time enhanced CCTV monitoring.

*GLTN's May Day '22 front page devoted to enacting enhanced street surveillance*

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## 2022's Gruesome Calendar of Carnage starts

31 Dec *The Guardian* follows *The Sun* telling the world of "London's 130 Teenage Homicide Victims" in its own 2021 disturbing calendar  
4 Jan Dariusz Wolosz (46) stabbing murder High St Yiewsley W. Drayton  
11 Jan 200 kids from different schools battle with knives and bleach bottles at Edmonton Bus Station. Police unable to contain this civil unrest.  
21 Jan Man robbed of super car's keys 8 suspects Woolwich Common  
24 Jan Woman (43) stabbed murder Chippenham Rd Maida Vale  
Boy (15) GBH machete 50 school kids Sainsburys Finsbury Park  
26 Jan Antisemitic assault on two bakers Cadoxton Ave Stamford Hill  
27 Jan Jamie Gilby (20) murder Auckland Rd, Sylvan Rd & Woodvale Ave South Norwood  
4 Feb School boys fighting knife & machete RTE109 bus Streatham Hill  
9 Feb Bartosz Wyrzykowski (21) knife murder Lionel Rd Eltham  
11 Feb Police launch appeal for CCTV footage stabbing Regina Rd Southall  
30 Sept last year CAD6486/30SEPT21  
14 Feb Naome Hunte (41) stabbed murder Congleton Grove Greenwich  
Police Officer assaulted by five males Bexleyheath Broadway  
GBH & Assault on Emergency Service worker  
15 Feb Carol Ewemade (84) missing Greenwich-Norbury 22MIS005334  
24 Feb Male (34) stabbed murder Review Rd/Heather Rd Norbury  
Dawn Butler MP requests more information CAD7991/24FEB  
27 Feb Darcy Diaz (23) Racist attack shoe high heel to face Queens Cres Kentish Town  
2 Mar Male (20s) Drive by shooting Sainsburys Streatham High Rd  
5 Mar Theft of Ukraine Appeal donations box about £100 taken Sawmill Café West Ham La Stratford 4698/05MAR  
8 Mar Boy (17) gunshot Gilpin Sq Clapton CCTV appeal CAD3353/07MAR  
10 Mar Female attempted abduction into car Shacklewel Rd Dalston  
14 Mar Tyler Hurley (16) stabbed murder High Rd Chadwell  
17 Mar Three men stab wounds one fatal (30s) Maguire Drive Richmond

In 2019 Thames Valley Police decided with the National Police Chiefs' Council to stop publishing photographs of weapons successfully taken off the streets as a result of operations or amnesties.

The force said it had "stopped publicising images of seized knives to help reduce the fear of knife carrying in our local communities".

*Easily available by mail order from Belfast is this imitation uPVC-made bladed weapon titled "Bloody Machete Movie Prop PU vs Jason Halloween Horror Weapon Jungle Knife Rambo". It costs less than £20 including postage & packing. Its on-line advert speaks loudly for the nature of the firm's customers.*



## What's the greater London assembly for?

Since the mayor's election victory on 9th May last year 24 women have been fatally stabbed, strangled or assaulted in London.

In order to stop the rise in violence against women, the mayor says he will use a £17.7 million "investment" to support services ensuring all violence victims had "equal access to justice and services." Not new money at all but just vacuous words that provide an indication of budget required.

Frustrated by the mayor's inaction, this question has been sponsored: "Switching uLez cameras into real-time street monitoring enhances street safety and supports Police. A joint MOPaC-TfL feasibility study is urgently needed. Would the mayor issue instructions for such a study? Yes or No?" (*no answer has ever been given since*)

## Weapons used against innocent Londoners

The maximum penalty for an adult carrying a knife is four years in prison and an unlimited fine. A prison sentence is mandated if convicted of carrying a knife more than once.

It's illegal to possess a banned knife or weapon. It's also illegal to: bring into the UK, sell, hire, lend or give someone a banned knife or weapon; carry any knife in public without good reason unless it has a manual folding blade less than three inches long; sell a knife to anyone under the age of 18; and use any knife in a threatening way. In Scotland, 16 to 18 year olds are allowed to buy cutlery and kitchen knives.



*Two tables of offensive weapons handed in to Cleveland Police following their successful amnesty operation in 2019*

## Leyton Gun-wielding Cowards Rob our Boxing Champ

British sporting hero Amir Khan (35), WBA 2009 to 2012 light-welterweight world champion and 2004 Olympic silver medallist, was robbed at gun point of his £71,000 Franck Muller Vanguard Chronograph watch. The two suspects drove off in High Road, Leyton. His first words to *The Sun* were: "I'm glad everyone's safe". Wife and mother of two Faryal (30) was just a few steps behind. The timepiece is studded with 719 diamonds and was worn by the champ in Oxford Street earlier that evening.

Interviewed live on ITV's *Good Morning Britain* two days later Amir said: "I feel very unsafe walking around London. There's a lot of pressure on the London mayor. But London's a very dangerous place now. Since Sadiq's come into power the crime rate has gone up by a third. I now see that people have died, people have got killed. That could've been me who got shot. People aren't coming to London".



## We Pray We're Wrong

The return of Notting Hill Carnival after its two year forced Covid absence has been marred by gang violence and "steaming". The lawlessness included robbery by threat of knife, pick-pocketing, snatch thefts, drug dealing, and intimidation. The Trinidad & Tobago-inspired celebration of Caribbean music and culture started in 1959 in St Pancras town hall but has developed since to a treasured national event.

The Met made 353 arrests at Carnival 2019. They warned then that a small number of people had "attempted to ruin the event" for other revelers.



Flashback to 2019: Lone Officer guards crime scene where one carnival reveller was gunned down by machine pistol for "showing disrespect"

Organiser Linett Kamala estimates two million people will attend with around 40,000 volunteers.

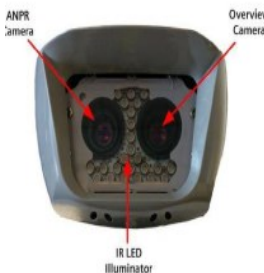
<https://news.met.police.uk/news/planning-for-notting-hill-carnival-2022-452804>

Calls by GLTN for the 750 newly installed uLex cameras to be diverted to a real-time street surveillance role have been ignored with the mayor still failing to authorise a feasibility study into the scheme aiding Met Police borough commanders in their fight against knife crime. The scheme is supported by three of the four political parties represented on the greater London assembly.

*Another press release ignored*

## Nasty Zealots

Objections said to be coming from TfL to the use of uLex cameras for enhanced street surveillance, particularly in areas where Police Borough Commanders know street safety's a concern, are countered by this example lens front of a typical ANPR camera. Updating Red Route traffic junction cameras, this version has both video and ANPR capability that can be operated at the same time. Nasty claims by climate pro-uLex zealots say GLTN's using the Sarah Everard name to try and get uLex camera use stopped, implying cameras can't transmit CCTV footage and ANPR information simultaneously.

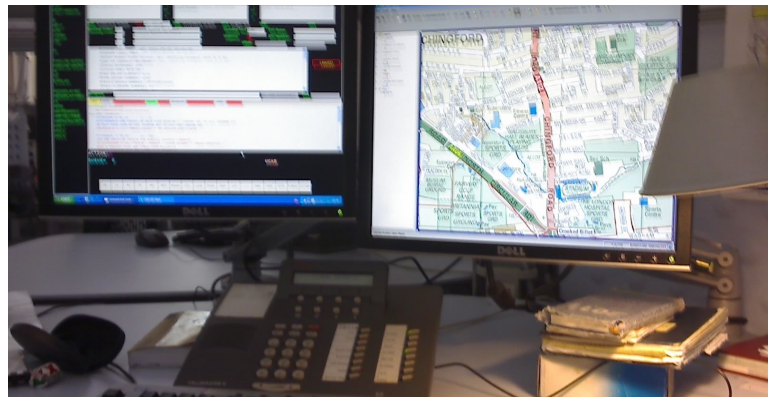


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View of a Metcall "pod" workstation. Left is the original Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) control screen — an old UNIX-based program developed from BEA's cargo handling system. Unlike the Met's Computer Handling System that cost £millions to develop and falls down regularly. Right is an dynamic "A-Z" screen that shows Police units' locations in real time

## GLTN Wins Mayor's Support!

Our campaign to have uLex cameras switched to a street enforcement role has been supported by conservative, Lib Dem, and one labour member of the greater London assembly.

Krupesh Hirani (*Brent & Harrow, Lab*) asked the mayor: "I've had confirmation that uLex cameras have the added benefit of tackling crime... they will assist in crime prevention or investigation. Privacy campaigners have likened this to surveillance. I disagree with their view." Krupesh was referring to Green Party GLA group who cite privacy concerns as their reason for not supporting GLTN's Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch scheme.

The mayor replied: "Access by Police to ANPR cameras TfL has installed to enforce uLex, makes a valuable contribution to crime prevention and detection in London. Access given by TfL and used by MPS is in accordance with data protection legislation and the Surveillance Camera Code of Practice and, where applicable, national standards on the use of ANPR for policing purposes.

MPS has prepared and published a Data Protection Impact Assessment, which explains mitigations for any privacy-related risks arising from access to uLex cameras. Before accessing cameras installed for uLex MPS will complete a strategic camera assessment to demonstrate that it's necessary and proportionate for Officers to access camera locations.

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## Sarah Everard Memorial Street Watch



Transport for London has been working with the Met to track criminals due to its extensive CCTV coverage and comprehensive ticketing and payment data,

*Mail Online* reports. The most recent update shows UK Police forces requested information from TfL 17,020 times, with more than 16,000 information data requests from Met and British Transport Police alone.

The Met also made 11,870 CCTV requests from TfL-operated bus and rail companies. There were 249 requests to catch murderers, 1,251 for thieves and 1,224 for sex offenders.

Meanwhile, the police requested 43 audio recordings from London Buses in relation to traffic accidents.

A spokesperson for the mayor told *GLTN*: “The use of technology has a key role to play in tackling serious crime and making London safer for everyone.

“The use of traffic cameras for ANPR on our roads, which assist in crime prevention and investigation, has been in place since 2015 after being introduced by previous mayor Boris Johnson.

“Access by the Met to newly installed cameras in outer London is in accordance with data protection requirements and will only be granted by TfL subject to this being demonstrated as proportionate and necessary on a case-by-case basis.”

*GLTN*'s plan, based on input from Police control room operators' experience, was to maintain dedicated surveillance after being well advertised in the media that operations were being carried out under the direction of Borough Commanders. *GLTN* had suggested the broadcasts would be directed at those planning street knife crime with the mantra: “You can run, but you can't hide”.

□ 19,555 UK reported knife crimes in 2022 only resulted in a caution being issued.

□ *GLTN* understands plans are being made for banning the sale of certain categories of sporting, “cultural” machetes, or so-called Rambo knives. Meantime a voluntary agreement between major retailers including eBay remains in place. The arrangement excludes cutlery. Restrictions retailers enforce remind customers and staff that knives are, by law, age-restricted products. This means that these articles will only be sold once age verification to the appropriate standards — “Think 21” or “Think 25” programmes — have taken place.

### Green Party Opposes

The Green Party has called on the mayor to reverse his “hasty” decision allowing Police ANPR camera access and instead protect Londoners' privacy. The Greens hit out at the mayor for playing with the privacy of London's inhabitants after *GLTN* reported power to give the Met access to the additional ANPR uLez cameras had been granted.

## “Austerity is Reason for Knife Crime” mayor tells meeting

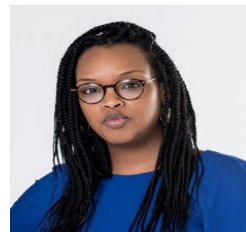
The first London mayoral hustings had to be halted after Sadiq Khan faced repeated protests from an audience member over his record on tackling violent crime.

The event was suspended for about 20 minutes when Andreas Michli, an independent mayoral candidate, repeatedly shouted out names of teenage knife crime victims, preventing Mr Khan from speaking. The London mayoral hustings had to be stopped when Khan was shouted down by the heckler. The event was held on 11th April, when independent mayor candidate Andreas Michli shouted out the names from victim lists published in issues of *Greater London Transport Newsletter*.



Mr Khan was unable to speak as Mr Michli, who sat in the middle of the 200-strong audience (lower foreground) with two supporters, disrupted the meeting

When the London mayor blamed crime levels in the city on austerity, he was interrupted with shouts of “no” from the audience. Mr Michli told the *Daily Mail* he was protesting about the “absolute doo-doo coming out of Mr Khan's mouth”, saying: “Children are dying. The little man will continue to let teenagers die.” Eventually, Mr Michli agreed to leave after demands from security. The mayor candidate, a gym owner, received applause as he left the event. The meeting's host, having ordered security to remove Mr Michli, ridiculed continued concerned audience objections likening it to “pantomime”.



**“Knife crime in London is ignored because it disproportionately affects blacks”**

So says activist and *Evening Standard* columnist Nimco Ali, a Government adviser.

“The one thing which, is just unacceptable is knife crime in the capital. On this issue the current mayor and his team will have you believe numbers have never been lower. And his Conservative opponent will have you think the opposite. But the reality is that the public perceive knife crime is on the increase. “Within black communities — who are the most impacted — that feeling is even stronger and deeper. People don't feel safe. No London child should be dying or fearing death on their way to school. Every day children of colour, working-class children and those who love them seem to be walking different streets to others in London.

“A story in the *Evening Standard* reveals police are stopping and searching less, while knife crime surges. “Policing is part of our city's fabric, but we won't be able to protect the most vulnerable if PR is put before people. And currently the mayoral PR is being put before our young black kids. It's something I and others not only see but increasingly discuss. It's something that will impact how many of us vote in the election next month.”