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## Crimestoppers three recognised in New Year Honours

Congratulations to **Chris Preddie**, former Crimestoppers Community Champion; **Terry Flynn**, volunteer and former Chair of Wales/Cymru Crimestoppers and **Sarah Smithurst**, Crimestoppers Co-ordinator for Nottinghamshire, who have been named in the New Year Honours List.



[Read more about Chris Preddie's OBE](#)

[Read more about Terry Flynn's award](#)

[Read more about Sarah Smithurst's award](#)

## Fifth arrest for Netherlands fugitive hunt

Mark McKenna, wanted for conspiracy to supply Class A drugs, has been arrested under Operation Return.

[Read more details about his arrest](#)

## Crimestoppers steps up fight against fraud



We've launched campaigns to target benefit fraud - which costs the UK £1.2 billion per year - and ID fraud, after research found that fraud and ID theft ranked first as the crime the public feel most at risk from.

[Read more about Benefit Fraud](#)

### Latest statistics Apr-Dec 2011\*

**Arrested and charged**  
**4,694** criminals were arrested and charged

**Drugs seized**  
**£11,066,615** worth of illegal drugs recovered

**Property recovered**  
**£1,669,563** worth of stolen goods seized

**Actionable information**  
**60,147** calls and online forms to Crimestoppers with useful information

\*Statistics are Crimestoppers' - correct from April to December 2011.



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[Read more about ID Fraud](#)

## **£3k reward offered after concrete blocks thrown from bridge onto A12**



The reward was offered after a bucket-sized concrete block was thrown from a bridge onto the A12 near Chelmsford, seriously injuring a car passenger and the driver.

[Read about the reward here](#)