

Police taskforce seizes haul of crack cocaine at Waverley Station

A British Transport Police taskforce has seized crack cocaine valued at £4,000 at Waverley Station.

The 'county lines' taskforce was established to tackle drugs on the railway network and to protect children and vulnerable adults from being exploited by gangs into selling or moving drugs.



Taskforce lead Detective Superintendent Gareth Williams said: "Our experience has proven that gangs who use the railway network rely on younger people to move drugs.

"These individuals are victims, forced through exploitation or intimidation into desperate situations, and it's always our priority to make support available that can get them out of harm and away from crime."

BTP Sergeant Pete Wilcock said: "The taskforce continues to be very active and continues to crack down on violent crime and the trafficking of drugs on the railway network.

"Our priority is always safeguarding vulnerable people from criminal exploitation and during this operation we were able to put this into action with three individuals.

"We have been carrying out successful operations for a common purpose to protect vulnerable children and adults from exploitation."