

£600K Cocaine Haul and Loaded Gun Seized After High-Speed Chase in Luton

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Bedfordshire Police have seized a substantial quantity of suspected Class A drugs and a loaded firearm following a high-speed vehicle pursuit in Luton on Saturday night.

At approximately 11:30 PM on June 29, officers attempted to stop a vehicle in the Marsh Farm area as part of an ongoing proactive operation. The driver failed to stop, and a pursuit was authorised through several areas of the town, including Dallow and Farley Hill. The vehicle was brought to a stop on Beechwood Road shortly after midnight.

Following a search of the vehicle, officers recovered approximately 25 kilograms of suspected cocaine, tightly packaged and concealed within hidden compartments. The estimated street value of the drugs is believed to exceed £600,000.

Also recovered was a Beretta 92FS 9mm semi-automatic handgun, loaded with 38 rounds of ammunition, located in a modified compartment beneath the driver's seat.

A 29-year-old man, of no fixed address, was detained at the scene and taken into custody. He is currently being questioned on suspicion of:

- Possession with intent to supply Class A drugs,
- Possession of a firearm with intent to endanger life, and
- Dangerous driving.

Enquiries are ongoing, and officers are working to identify additional individuals believed to have fled the area on foot.

A spokesperson for Bedfordshire Police said:

"This was a significant seizure and a strong example of the ongoing work being done to disrupt serious and organised criminal activity in the region. The recovery of such a large quantity of drugs and a loaded firearm presents a clear threat to public safety, and investigations are continuing at pace."

Police are appealing to the public for information and are particularly interested in any dashcam or residential CCTV footage from the Dallow, Beechwood Road, or Chaul End areas between 10:30 PM and 1:00 AM on the night of the incident.

Anonymous reports can be made via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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