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Fatal Stabbings on Long Lane Leave Two Dead, Two Injured in Southwark

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two men dead and two others injured. The incident occurred shortly after 1 p.m. on

Monday and has prompted renewed calls for improved knife crime prevention and public safety strategies.

Emergency services responded swiftly to the scene. A 58-year-old man was pronounced dead on site, while three other men in their 20s and 30s—were taken to the hospital. One of them, a 27-year-old, later succumbed to his injuries.

Two other men in their thirties were also injured—one critically, and one with non-life-threatening injuries. One of the injured men, also in his thirties, was arrested in connection with the attack and is currently in a life-threatening condition in the hospital.

The Metropolitan Police confirmed the attack is not being treated as terror-related, according to police statements. At this stage, the motive remains under investigation, and authorities are urging witnesses to come forward.

Detective Chief Superintendent Emma Bond of the Central South Command Unit said: "Our investigation is in the early stages and we are working hard to understand the full circumstances of this shocking incident. There will be a heavy police presence in the area throughout today, and I would encourage anyone with information to speak with officers or contact the Met by other means."

A cordon remains in place as forensic teams examine the scene and detectives continue to gather evidence, including CCTV footage and eyewitness testimony. The authorities have not yet released further details about what led to the violent confrontation.

The incident has shaken the local community and once again highlighted growing concerns over knife-related violence in London. While police maintain there is no ongoing threat to the wider public, the tragedy underscores the urgent need for effective crime prevention measures and support for affected neighbourhoods.

Anyone with information related to the attack is encouraged to contact the Metropolitan Police or Crimestoppers anonymously as the investigation continues.