

Banker who intervened in fight dies

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Police are due to release more details of their investigation into the murder of a top banking executive who died after he intervened in a street fight. Frank McGarahan, 45, attempted to break up a brawl in **Norwich city centre at 3am on Sunday 28th.**

Norfolk Police said **Mr McGarahan, of Hertfordshire**, had enjoyed a "quiet evening out" before the attack as he visited the city to attend a **family christening**.

He died on Monday in Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, after suffering head injuries. A Norfolk Police spokesman. Said ... "Mr McGarahan was spending a quiet evening out with family and friends ahead of a family christening in Norwich on Sunday when he witnessed an assault while queuing for a taxi on Guildhall Hill, after which he sustained a fatal injury," "The investigation into the incident continues and officers are reviewing closed circuit television footage from around the city centre area and following up a number of lines of inquiry."

A Barclays spokeswoman confirmed Mr McGarahan was chief operating officer of Barclays Wealth, which employs 7,700 staff in 20 countries and manages assets worth £133 billion.

Police said post-mortem tests would be carried out during Tuesday.

Detective Superintendent Chris Hobley said: "Norwich City Centre is generally a safe place and there were a number of people in the vicinity of the incident. We are very keen to hear from anyone who may have seen something or has any information."

Sep 30, 17:11 Norfolk Constabulary's Major Investigation Team can confirm three people have been arrested this afternoon, in connection with the death of Frank McGarahan.

Sep 29, 09:39 Crackdown On Anti-Social Behaviour Continues In Norwich In response to concerns raised by residents in Norwich, **Norfolk Constabulary is continuing to crackdown(??) on anti-social behaviour** around the Vauxhall Street and Jenny Lind Park area.

The Norwich City CCTV system is made up of:

66 city centre cameras

13 Norfolk County Council Urban Traffic Control cameras

12 cameras in car parks.

The system is **monitored 24 hours each day** - 365 days a year - from a purpose-built control room, With **direct picture and telephone links with Police HQ**, http://www.norwich.gov.uk/webapps/atoz/service_page.asp?id=1076

The PPP comments ... yet another senseless killing. Not prevented by the apparently comprehensive but ineffective security system. Did the CCTV operatives see and report the precipitating incident? We have little faith in such systems, WE WANT PREVENTION by targetted police patrols on our streets and roads not DETECTION backed up by CCTV images of the vicious attacks. Why don't these security systems have audio links & loudspeakers to warn off offenders and warn innocents to avoid such situations? Why does a *generally safe place* need a *crackdown*?