

Abu Izzadeen: Man 'behind London terror attack' called for murder of police and politicians

A rumour that has been doing the rounds for an hour or two; I thought the face by the ambulance looked familiar, now reported by the [more](#) than once here, sometimes [drove a car into the Houses of Parliament and attempted to attack police officers](#). and succeeded in murdering two bystanders on Westminster bridge and a policeman – don't forget the deaths please!

His views were far from secret: videos of him can be seen across YouTube, in which he rants about how important it is to kill the police and how everyone in Parliament are kufar, or infidels.

Izzadeen has long been known to authorities for his links to terrorism. He has been to prison for fund-raising, inciting and glorifying acts of terror in the past, and has been active in now banned groups.

Izzadeen was born in Hackney in east London and named Trevor Brooks. He converted to Islam just before he turned 18, in 1993, originally changing his name to Omar but preferring to be known by Abu Izzadeen.

Izzadeen's social media accounts have now been suspended. But before, he posted a series of inflammatory messages and described his location as the "house of war".

I photographed him here opposite the Regent's Park Mosque on Good Friday 2014, centre group wearing white. His sidekicks smiled for the cameras; he was not so cheerful.

