Foster couple's home in Surrey raided by terror police

THE TEEN arrested in connection with the Parsons Green terror attack was a 'problematic foster child', according to neighbours.

Close friends of pensioners Penny and Ron Jones, whose Sunbury-on-Thames house was raided by terror cops on Saturday, say the foster carers were at 'their end' with the 18-year-old lad.

The property on Cavendish Road, Sunbury-on-Thames, Surrey, belongs to MBEs 88-year-old Ronald and Penelope Jones, 71, who have fostered hundreds of children over more than 30 years.

Serena Barber, 47, who has known the couple all her life and lives in a property backing on to theirs, said: 'All I know is that they have two boys at the moment, both are foreign. One is very quiet and polite, the other who is 18 is awful. He kept getting in trouble with the police and they didn't know what to do with him. I know about two weeks ago he was arrested by police at Parsons Green, for what I don't know and returned back to Penny and Ron. After that Penny said she was going to have to stop caring for him, she couldn't handle him."

Neighbours said kind-hearted Ronald and Penelope had retired but recently began fostering again because of the plight of young refugees displaced from countries such as Iraq and Syria. They are understood to have been helping Surrey County Council with its Syrian vulnerable persons relocation scheme.

The couple featured in an interview with Elmbridge CAN, a community group which aims "to build a culture of welcome to

refugees" and help settle them in the local community