

What you told us about your local policing service in 2008

During 2008 a total of 2983 people responded to questions about their local policing issues. 71% of people who responded said they felt safe most or all of the time in their local area. 29% said they felt unsafe most or all of the time. The top concerns people had in their local area were, motoring offences, vandalism and anti-social behaviour. Young people's views are important to us and in 2008 a total of 1344 young people gave their views on local police issues. 77% of young people said they felt safe on the streets most or all of the time during the day. 57% said they felt safe on the streets most or all of the night. 8% of young people said they felt unsafe most or all of the time during the day and 24% said they felt unsafe most or all of the time during the night. Young people were most concerned about physical or sexual assault, theft of personal belongings and drugs.

Below shows responses to the question: What do you think of the job your Police Force does in your local area?

2008/09	
Levels of Happiness	% of Total
Happy	18
Neither	32
Not Happy	50

Below shows responses to the question: Generally speaking, how safe do you feel in your local area?

2008/09	
Level of Safety	% of Total
Safe	71
Unsafe	29

The following table shows what various age groups of people think of their local policing service.

2008/09				
Figures given as % of Total				
Age Group	Number	Happy	Neither	Unhappy
18-24	29	14	38	48
25-34	176	35	21	44
35-44	291	13	30	57
45-54	429	17	26	56
55-64	589	14	29	57
65-74	642	15	35	50
75+	536	26	40	34
Total	2692			

The analysis which follows only relates to responses received via the Council Tax leaflet questionnaire and is therefore based on 2759 responses.

Gender	Count	% of Grand Total
Female	883	34
Male	1686	66
Grand Total	2569	

Table 2: Gender of consultees

Disability	Count	% of Grand Total
No	2276	85
Yes	389	15
Grand Total	2665	

Table 3: Disability of consultees

The table below shows the Community Consultation Questionnaire responses to the Question "to what extent is each of the following a problem where you live?"

Community Consultation Questionnaire	No.	Major	Minor	Not a problem
Burglary	185	15%	52%	32%
Community Conflict	179	11%	25%	64%
Drugs Offences	186	23%	39%	38%
Hate Crime	180	7%	24%	68%
Motoring Offences	190	34%	44%	22%
Theft of personal belongings	180	13%	46%	41%
ASB	186	24%	49%	26%
Serious Assaults	180	8%	25%	67%
Sexual Offences	177	2%	19%	79%
Vandalism	187	25%	57%	18%
Vehicle Crime	185	19%	52%	29%

The table below shows the Young Person Questionnaire responses to the question "which of these options best describes your overall perception of the police?"

Young Person Questionnaire	
Perception 1344 responses	% of Total
Excellent	17%
OK	56%
Bad	14%
Don't Know	12%

The table below shows the Young Person Questionnaire responses to the question “which one of these options best describes how safe you feel on the streets during the daytime?”

Young Person Questionnaire	1334 responses
Safe all the time	23%
Safe most of time	55%
Don't Know	13%
Unsafe most of time	6%
Unsafe all the time	2%

The table below shows the Young Person Questionnaire responses to the question “what you think the police can do to make you feel safer or happier with them?”

Young Person Questionnaire	773 responses	
	More police visibility	44%
	More street cameras	8%
	Deal with incidents better/quicker	4%
	Nothing / not much	4%
	More police officers/PCSOs	3%
	Tougher laws/enforcement/sentences	3%

Age of respondents of Young Person Questionnaire

Age	1272 responses	
	Eleven	1%
	Twelve	4%
	Thirteen	12%
	Fourteen	29%
	Fifteen	23%
	Sixteen	19%
	Seventeen	8%
	Eighteen	4%

Gender of respondents Young Person Questionnaire

Gender	1271 responses
Female	51%
Male	49%

Ethnic group of respondents Young Person Questionnaire

Ethnic Group	1282 responses
Asian/Asian British	13%
Chinese/Other	3%
White	73%
Black/Black British	8%
Mixed	3%