



### Kent Police Open Day 2023

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If you came to our Police Open Day at the beginning of this month, we hope you had a great time and came to visit us in our tent. Thank you to those who shared their views on policing – views which will inform the PCC's priorities. Some of the many charities we commission to support victims joined us to promote their services. They should be proud of themselves with the level of engagement and hard work involved across the three days.

Remember if you ARE a victim of crime you are entitled to help and support, even if you don't report the case to the police. Go to the victim voice page on our website to find out more.



# Get your views heard



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## Annual Policing Survey 2023

It is that time of year when we put the spotlight on you, the public, to share your views on policing performance, your experiences of being a victim of crime, and what crimes matter most in your communities.

The survey also focuses on how much you trust Kent Police and how safe you feel in your area, and your preferences on how offenders of crimes, such as antisocial behaviour and criminal damage, are punished through out-of-court orders.

Making Kent Safer is Matthew Scott's Police and Crime Plan, which sets the priorities he expects the Chief Constable to deliver. The priorities are shaped by what the residents and businesses of Kent tell him what matter most to them. This is why this survey is so important.

If you have a spare few moments in your day, please scan the QR code using your camera on your phone and click on the link that pops up on the screen (if you have a smart phone).

Let us know if you need hard copies instead of the online version.

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## Progress tackling rural crime



We've hosted several meetings to discuss rural crime with farmers and other businesses over the last few months. The force has now increased the number of officers designated to cover rural wards and the Rural Task Force has also been expanded. The Commissioner, along with local MPs, lobbied the government to increase fines for fly-tipping from £400 to £1000 and this has now been adopted. Fines for graffiti have also been increased from £150 to £500.

## National Response Week



We spent time with the Local Policing Teams in both Maidstone and Swanley in June, as part of National Response Week. Both days proved how busy the local teams are on a daily basis. Both teams responded quickly to 999 calls, as well as helping locate missing people, apprehending drivers and carrying out follow-up welfare check-in calls.

## Special event for our commissioned services



Our commissioned services are a huge part of our role in the PCC's office. In June, we hosted a special in-house event to promote their services to police officers, both senior and those beginning their career. We wanted them to understand how to refer victims to these specialist services too. It was well-attended and ultimately equips officers to provide a better service to victims.



The PCC has been busy getting out and about across the county speaking to residents about policing and community safety. In June, he joined Helen Whately MP at a shopping centre surgery in Maidstone. He also visited one of the charities he funds to support men experiencing domestic abuse, family breakdown and suicide: Dads Unlimited. Their demand has grown both locally and further afield across the UK. They do an amazing job and their work is greatly appreciated.

# Victim Voice



Our **Victim Voice** campaign goes from strength to strength.

This was the PCC speaking to Lyghe Women's Institute in Leigh about it.

By clicking on the QR code you will find out about your rights as a victim and what support services you're entitled to. Or go to our website:

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