APPENDIX 2: PROPOSED PRINCIPLES

The following principles have been developed following consideration of the issues arising from the debrief. These principles, subject to consideration and agreement by members, will be used to underpin the planning process for 2002/03.

- 1. The corporate strategy will be used to help formulate priorities, objectives, measures and targets in the plan (and will dictate degree of emphasis to be placed on local crime and disorder strategies).
- 2. Bespoke local targets will be developed by the MPS and implemented via local business plans (allowing greater synergy with borough crime and disorder strategies).
- 3. MPA and MPS decisions will be made according to the agreed timetable (external constraints permitting).
- 4. The 'planning panel' will be the main point of engagement prior to formal reports being presented to committees for consideration and approval. The panel will decide if *ad hoc* issues need to presented to committee(s).
- 5. There will be a reduced number of MPA priorities, objectives, measures and targets (compared to 2001/02) and 'sustained activities' (ie second order priorities) will not be included.
- 6. The MPS will develop and maintain an audit trial of decisions. The 'decision log' will described what decision was made, why, by whom and when. The log will be consulted before amending decisions and will be updated after MPA/MPS meetings.
- 7. Rigorous assessments of performance, along with a clear analysis of views obtained via consultation and environmental scanning, will be used to set corporate and local targets. Progress towards targets will be actively monitored.
- 8. Where practical, feedback will be provided to those consulted on what decision was reached and the supporting rationale.