

## Safer Neighbourhoods Performance

The rollout of Safer Neighbourhoods (SN) has been completed across all 624 wards, and to date there are 630 Safer Neighbourhoods teams policing their allocated area. The '1-2-3' model (1 sergeant, 2 PCs, 3 PCSOs) is expected to be fully implemented by December 2006, with the next challenge for the MPS to increase this to '1-2-6' for all wards with populations greater than 14,000.

Given that all wards in London are now Safer Neighbourhoods wards, we can no longer compare crime levels in SN wards with those of non-SN wards. In order to address this, four specific survey indicators have been selected which best reflect the impact SN teams should be having on their local areas. These are:

### **Confidence in local policing:**

Of those surveyed, 54% think the local police do a good or excellent job, a three percentage point improvement against 2004/05. The MPS is ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in its Most Similar Force (MSF) group for confidence in policing. The BCS and the MPS' own Public Attitudes Survey (PAS) show improvements compared with the previous period, an increase that may be in part due to the "7/7 effect."

### **Perceptions of Anti-Social Behaviour:**

One quarter of people surveyed in the BCS said they had a high level of worry about anti-social behaviour, but this has fallen from 29% in the previous year. There is however, room for improvement, as 23% of respondents in the surveys carried out by our MSF group said they were highly worried about anti-social behaviour; in addition the MPS is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> out of 5 for this indicator.

### **Police deal with local issues:**

The majority of people (61%) feel that the police understand their local issues, and a slightly smaller number (58%) that they deal with them. Given the complete rollout of the SN programme, we would expect these indicators to improve in the next quarter.

### **Performance Table**

The following table shows the performance of the MPS with respect to these indicators:

<b>Outcome Measure</b>	<b>Period Latest in (js)</b>	<b>Survey</b>	<b>This Period</b>	<b>Previous Period</b>	<b>Same Qtr Last year</b>
<b>Confidence</b> 1. People who think the police in the area are doing a good or excellent job.	Rolling 12 months (2005/06)	BCS	54%	51%	
	Quarterly (April – June)	PAS	59%	53%	55%
<b>Understanding &amp; dealing with issues</b> People who think the police: 2. understand the issues that affect the local community  3. deal with those issues	Quarterly (April – June)	PAS	61%	61%	68%
	Quarterly (April – June)	PAS	58%	56%	63%
<b>Perception of anti social behaviour</b> 4. People who feel there is a high level of ASB in the local area?	Rolling 12 months (2005/06)	BCS	25%	29%	
	Quarterly (April – June)	PAS	32%	41%	27%
<b>Perceptions of safety</b> People feeling safe walking alone in local area: 6. day  7. night	Quarterly (April – June)	PAS	95%	96%	97%
			76%	67%	72%