Introduction

The report begins with a summary of performance against the "critical 12", the major indicators the MPS is to be monitored against in the Policing Plan (Appendix 2). Appendix 3 is a report of all of the other targets and Statutory Performance Indicators (SPIs) on which the MPS is monitored.

The information compares the target with the performance during the performance year to date (PYTD) and the rolling 12 months where this is available. The rolling 12 months figure balances the PYTD data, as it is not distorted by seasonal factors. Performance against target is shown as a traffic light.

The Home Office iQuanta rankings (1 = best and 5 = worst) are now included where relevant. The MPS is compared against its Most Similar Forces (MSF) - Greater Manchester, Merseyside, West Midlands and West Yorkshire.

Performance: April – October 2007

For the fifth consecutive year, crime is falling in London, and detection rates are rising. Overall crime for the year to date (April to October) is at a ten year low.

The MPS is on target for seven of the twelve critical indicators, notably on crime reduction, criminal network disruption, crime investigation and bringing offences to justice. A further indicator on the detection of homicide is 'amber'.

Confidence in local policing, according to the British Crime Survey, has risen for the third consecutive annual period and now stands at 56%, making the MPS the best performing force in its MSF group. Additionally, the Q2 survey data has been released for the Crime Victims and Public Attitudes Surveys.

While the MPS is achieving over half of the targets set by the MPA, some remain challenging:

- Victim satisfaction, both overall and the gap between white and BME users remains below target, according the Q1&2 data
- The change in the number of road fatalities is not yet on target (0.3% increase compared with 3% reduction target), however the data is severely delayed
- Gun enabled crime remains substantially above last year's levels – this should, however be taken in context with the long-term picture, where this year's total is the second lowest in the last five years.