

Crime and safety are the biggest issues for Londoners

The Metropolitan Police Authority's (MPA) job is to make sure the Metropolitan Police Service fights crime effectively and keeps London safe.

Met Forward is the MPA's mission statement for London's police.

It sets out how we want the Met to develop and perform to improve services, provide better value for money and fight crime.

The Met is an incredible organisation – its dedication and achievements in protecting our capital are inspiring – and *Met Forward* aims to support and build on their success.

Met Forward will help us achieve this goal by focusing on:

- **reducing crime and criminality**
- **increasing public confidence**
- **providing value for money**



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The job of the MPA is to fight crime by getting the best out of the Met.

Since Boris Johnson became the Mayor of London there has been renewed action to tackle crime priorities:

- **knife crime**
- **safety on public transport**
- **action on dangerous dogs**
- **gangs and violence in town centres**



The MPA has also:

- introduced crime mapping to inform Londoners of what is actually happening in their neighbourhoods
- overseen changes in leadership at New Scotland Yard, injecting renewed vigour into the Met.

Focusing on fighting crime

Met Forward consists of eight strands:



Met streets: public safety is the first duty of the police. Londoners want to feel confident and safe in their neighbourhoods and public spaces. We need more police officers out on patrol and on public transport, and vigorous action to deal with the menace of gangs, guns and knives.



Met specialist: expert services support front line policing. Combating terrorism remains a top priority, while protecting children at risk and those at threat from violence, including rape, all need specialist skills which we want to develop further. The MPA has also established a Civil Liberties Panel to explore the nature of policing in our society and help secure confidence in police tactics, starting with a review of public order policing.



Met partners: many agencies work with the police to tackle crime and safety issues - from local authorities to the courts service and voluntary organisations. Our joint engagement meetings (JEMs) will work to deliver effective, joined-up partnership work.



Met connect: we need to listen better to you, the people we serve – our customers – and ensure the Met gives you what you want and need. We also need to tell you what we and the Met are delivering daily, so you can have increasing confidence in us.

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Met people: our people are our most important tool to fight crime and we need to look after them. We will also recognise the support they receive at home. Working to build a representative workforce and creating the leaders of tomorrow are critical to fighting crime.

2012 Met Olympics and Paralympics: the 2012 games will be a huge challenge. The MPA will ensure that the Met delivers a safe Games for competitors, visitors and Londoners without impacting significantly on the delivery of day-to-day policing across the capital.



Met support: we will continue to improve our infrastructure. The MPA controls a budget of over £3.5 billion and we are working to drive out waste, improve value for money and concentrate resources on fighting crime.



Met standards: excellent performance and efficiency should be recognised and rewarded. We will introduce a programme of assessment across all Borough and Operational Command Units which over time will result in them achieving the new 'Met Standard'.

