

Fighting Back Against Crime



10 **Conservative**
policies to protect
your family

**1****PRISON FOR KNIFE CRIME**

Any adult convicted of using a knife to threaten and endanger will go to jail and we propose that any 16 or 17 year old will face a custodial sentence for the same offence.

**2****'TWO STRIKES' AND YOU'RE OUT**

We are introducing a 'two strikes' policy so that a mandatory life sentence will be given to anyone convicted of a second very serious sexual or violent crime.

**3****CRIMINALISED STALKING**

We've taken the abhorrent crime of stalking seriously and criminalised it. We have also made stalking where there is a fear of violence an offence.

**4****NON EMERGENCY '101' NUMBER**

We have launched a single non emergency number to contact the police - 101 - to replace the various 0845 numbers used by forces around the country.

**5****ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR COMMUNITY TRIGGER**

We will introduce a 'Community Trigger' to give victims and communities the right to demand that agencies that ignore anti-social behaviour must take action.

**6****BEAT MEETINGS TO MAKE LOCAL POLICE MORE ACCOUNTABLE**

We have made sure that police hold neighbourhood beat meetings to make it easier for people to speak to the police in person. We have also introduced street-level online crime maps.

**7****MAKING OFFENDERS PAY BACK TO VICTIMS**

We have implemented the Prisoners Earnings Act to make offenders pay financial reparation to victims. This will go some way towards compensating victims through the funding of crucial support services.

**8****GIVEN POLICE THE POWER TO MAKE PROSECUTIONS**

We have given police the power to prosecute up to 50 per cent of magistrates' court cases. This means that thousands of cases can be taken through the courts by officers, saving time and money and meaning a quicker result for victims.

**9****CUTTING DOWN ON POLICE PAPERWORK**

We're determined to free police from unnecessary red tape so they have more time for frontline duties and responding to the real concerns of their communities.

**10****PEOPLE POWER ON PROBLEM DRINKING**

The new Late Night Levy will allow local councils to charge business that sell alcohol late at night, to fund the cost of policing. Local people will have more power to decide whether pubs and clubs should get alcohol licenses.

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