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Achieving Compliance with Road Traffic Law – The Police Perspective

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What is this conference about?

- Achieving compliance with road traffic law
 - Where do we think we are?
 - Key issues for us?
 - Where do we need to get to?
 - How might we get there?



Where do we think we are?

- Highly skilled and motivated roads policing officers
- Strong relationships with partner organisations
- Disparate working methods across the country
- Different structures for roads policing delivery



What has been achieved?

- Significant reduction in UK road casualties
 - 2009 – 2,222 deaths
 - 2010 – 1,850 deaths
 - Reduction of over 16%
- Reduction in drink drive casualties
- Development of educational alternatives
- Preservation of road safety partnerships



Key issues facing us

Road Safety

- Young drivers
- Elderly road users
- Motorcyclists
- Drink & drug driving
- Speed
- Distraction
- Seat belts
- Foreign goods vehicles



Key issues facing us

Crime

- Metal theft
- Plant theft
- Drugs
- Misuse of VRMs
- Freight crime
- Illegal immigration



Key issues facing us

Terrorism

- VBIEDs
- Pre-cursor movements
- Training camps



Key issues facing us

Confidence and reassurance

- Anti-social use of vehicles
- Community safety – speeding
- Visibility/on-road presence



Where do we need to get to?

Our strategic goals are:

- Safer roads
- **Habitual compliance**
- Public confidence and satisfaction



How we get there...

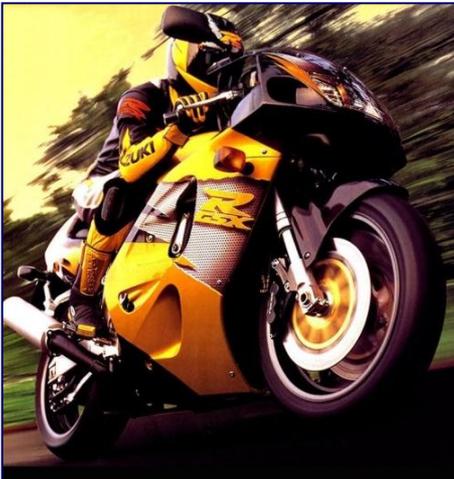
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Policing the Roads - 5 Year Strategy 2011-2015



Policing the Roads Strategy - Our Vision

Enhancing the safety and security of all road users



Policing the Roads Strategy - Our Approach

Focused harm reduction that saves lives and prevents crime

- Enforcement based on professional judgement and discretion
- A visible roads policing presence on the Strategic Roads Network
- Intelligence led resources
- Enforcement, education and engineering to affect and influence driver behaviour

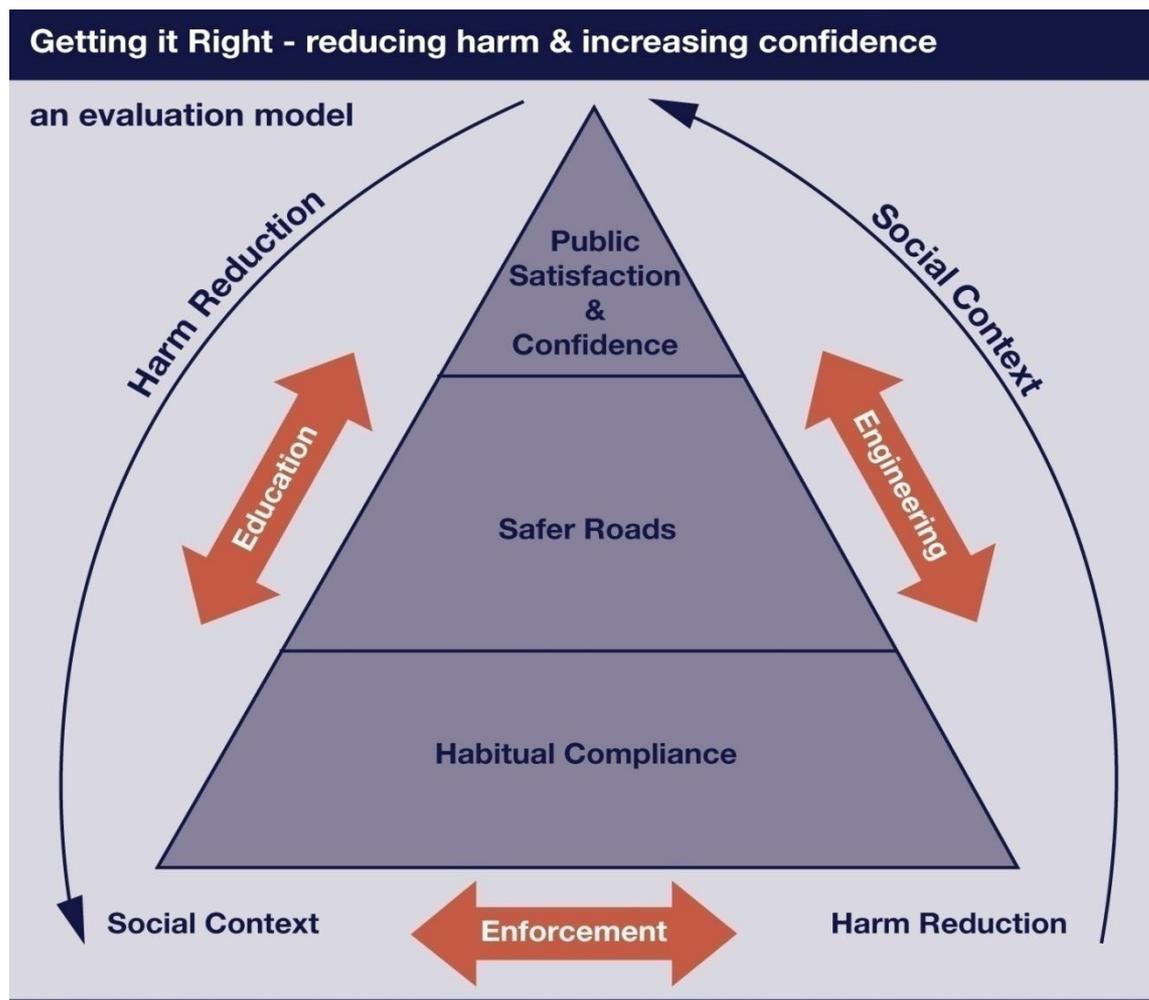


Policing the Roads Strategy - Our Priorities

- Reducing road casualties
- Disrupting criminality
- Countering terrorism
- Patrolling the roads
- Combating anti-social road use



Policing the Roads Strategy – Our Approach

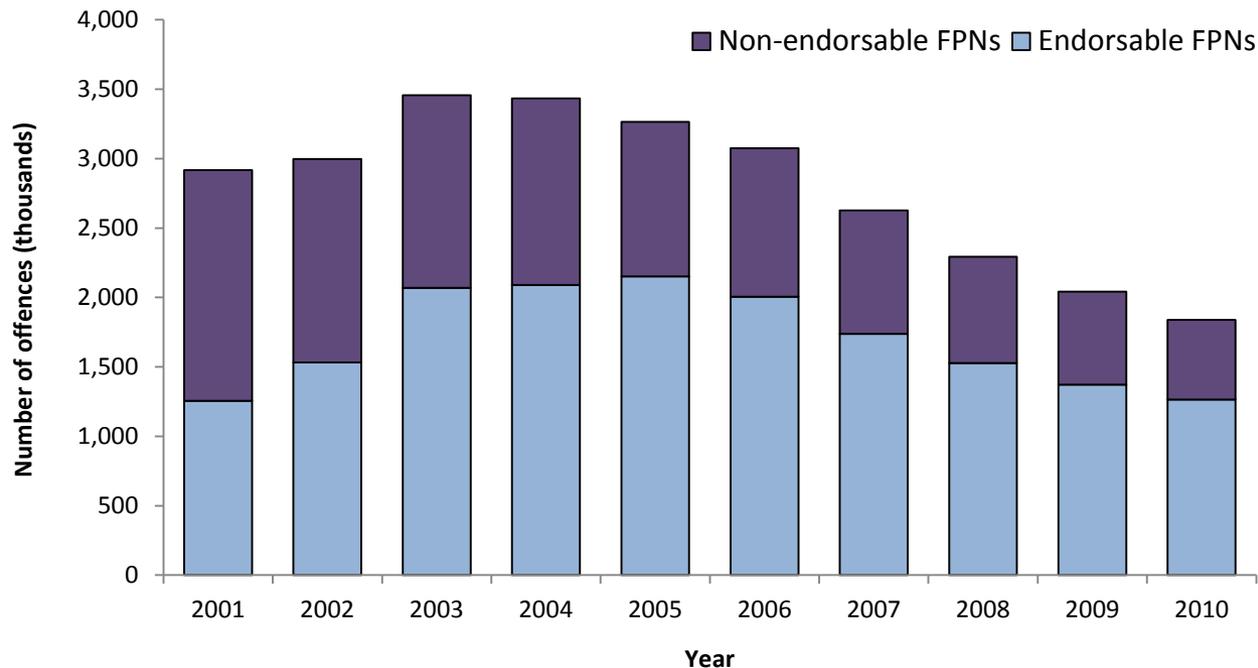


Carrot or stick?

- Discretion is key to success
- Use of intelligence to target high-risk drivers
- Government promise of more severe sentencing
- Use education to change attitude as well as behaviour



Enforcement – fixed penalty notices



Source: Home Office Police Powers and Procedures England & Wales 2010/11

Enforcement – fixed penalty notices

	Numbers (thousands)				England and Wales		
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Careless (excl. Phones)	16.7	12.6	8.9	7.0	2.9	3.4	3.4
Use of handheld mobile	74	127	167	122	119	126	125
Licence/insurance/records	70	80	89	101	101	86	76
Vehicle test and condition	13	17	22	36	57	69	77
Speed limit offences	1,924	1,979	1,828	1,464	1,228	1,077	986
Seat belt offences	202	235	226	220	227	203	176

Source: Home Office Police Powers and Procedures England & Wales 2010/11

Education courses

- Speed awareness
- Driver alertness
- Ride
- What's driving us
- Driving 4 change
- Seatbelt online



Key principles of courses

- Offered to appropriate offenders
- Correct course offered
- Course designed to address offending behaviour/attitude
- Course evaluation

Course attendance



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RIDE

2010

447,000

19,400

450

2011

772,000

20,400

600

Our Priorities – Reducing Road Casualties

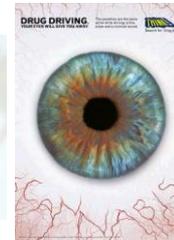
➤ Financial cost of collisions



➤ Vulnerable road user groups



➤ Key causation factors



➤ Enforcement options



➤ Use of technology



Our Priorities – Disrupting Criminality

➤ What type of criminality?



➤ How do we drive activity?



➤ Partnership working



➤ ANPR



Our Priorities – Combating Anti-social Road Use

➤ FPN for Section 3 Due Care



➤ Education courses



➤ Vehicle seizure



➤ Roads policing in community policing



Our Priorities – Countering Terrorism



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Our Priorities – Patrolling the Roads



Our Challenge

- Protecting the vulnerable
- Working together in a wider road safety partnership
 - Government
 - Fire Service
 - Highways Authorities
 - Executive agencies
 - Victim support groups
 - Commercial representatives



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On the Horizon

- DfT priorities from the road safety framework
- Changes to HA Traffic Officer Service
- Development of NDORS
- CLEAR initiative
- Consultation on 80mph motorway limits
- 20mph zones/limits





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