

## Whole place approaches

Despite increased focus on online criminality, many of the solutions proposed are offline and place-based. Police require more sophisticated understanding of risk and harm to move closer to an ethos of prevention, early intervention and stronger evidence-based practise. I am eager to see on-going development of TVP's demand profiling and data analytics capability incorporating, wherever possible, partners and other organisations' data.

Technology provides policing with new opportunities for preventing and detecting crime and anti-social behaviour. Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR), body worn video (worn by police officers to record interactions with the public), and electronic tagging of offenders must all be utilised in appropriate circumstances to harden vulnerable targets, protect vulnerable people, and improve the quality and quantity of digital evidence. Body worn video may increase the rate of early guilty pleas by offenders, and pilot studies of electronic tagging of offenders indicate benefits such as reduced offending and considerable savings in police time. We have yet to exploit the full capabilities of these technologies and I am keen to see this progressed.

**“... I would like to see a return to more prevention-based policing....”**

Public Survey 2016

## Key aims:

- Coordinated efforts by police and partner agencies to improve public awareness of measures to protect themselves from cybercrime, particularly targeting those most at risk (such as those at either end of the age spectrum).
- Increased focus by all agencies on preventing and tackling 'peer on peer' abuse.
- A coordinated strategy between police, health and local authorities to tackle FGM in Thames Valley, leading to improved reporting of FGM and evidenced approaches on prevention.
- Improved reporting and understanding of the prevalence and nature of hate crime across Thames Valley.
- Police and partners address road safety concerns, especially amongst vulnerable groups such as younger people, cyclists and pedestrians.
- Improved use of technology by police, in order to prevent crime and support earlier intervention with known offenders.

