

Haringey Community & Police Consultative Group Local Police Priorities 2009-2010 Survey



Summary

Between November 2008 and January 2009 a survey was made available to the general public on a number of websites, these were:

- Haringey Community and Police Consultative Group (www.haringeycpcg.org.uk)
- Haringey Council (www.haringey.gov.uk)
- Haringey Racial Equality Council (www.haringeyrec.org.uk)
- Haringey Association of Voluntary and Community Organisations (www.havcoharingey.org.uk)

In addition, an advert was placed in the local newspaper on two occasions to request public participation with details of how to complete the questionnaire.

In total **118** surveys were completed, which is approximately 0.05% of the population of Haringey.

People were asked to rate the **importance** of 8 different police priorities using the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in which 1 = low importance and 5 = high importance

The overall top priorities were considered to be as follows:

1. Serious & sexual assault
2. Gun crime
3. Youth violence
4. Personal robbery
5. Residential burglary
6. Domestic violence
7. Racist offences
8. Homophobic offences

Top Priorities



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- Gun crime
- Youth violence
- Personal robbery
- Residential burglary
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People who rated each category a 'top' concern (level 5)

The Police Priorities assigned as **High Importance** (5) were as follows:

Serious violence and sexual assault 76.3% (i.e. 76.3% of the ratings selected for this category were 5 or high importance)

Gun Crime	71.2%
Youth violence	52.5%
Personal robbery	51.7%
Residential burglary	43.2%
Domestic violence	38.2%
Racist offences	29.3%
Homophobic offences	22.0%

The Police Priorities assigned as **Low Importance** (1) were as follows:

Serious violence & sexual assault	7.6%
Homophobic offences	7.3%
Gun Crime	6.8%
Racist offences	6.5%
Residential burglary	5.1%
Personal robbery	5.1%
Youth violence	4.2%
Domestic violence	4.1%

We also asked for comments at the end of the survey by asking 2 questions. The first question was: **What is your views on anti social behaviour and the fear of it?**

The majority of the people who completed the survey also expressed their views on anti social behaviour. Only **19%** of people did not comment on anti social behaviour in contrast to the **35%** of people who failed to comment on what other crimes should be considered.

Most connected anti social behaviour to young people and most agree that more should be done to tackle it. This demonstrates that the majority of people who completed this survey feel that anti social behaviour is a real and present issue in the borough of Haringey and that many people hold strong views on the subject.

The second question was: **Can you identify any other crimes that we should be considering?**

A number of people expressed concerns in this category regarding gang-related crime which they obviously feel is separate from the defined 'Youth violence' category. In addition a significant number of people expressed their concerns regarding dog-related crime. This included fouling in the streets and youths possessing dangerous dogs that were being trained to fight. This is obviously a growing issue in Haringey.

However, the majority of people identified drug-related crimes as an area that they believed should be considered.

The Haringey CPCG would like to thank all those who participated in this survey. The data collected will be forwarded to the Metropolitan Police Service for review.