



Roadshow Results 2008

We were out and about again throughout September and early October 2008 with our roadshows. We were particularly interested to find out if people knew their local neighbourhood policing team, if they thought that the police understood local concerns and if they addressed them effectively. We also asked about whether the average of £2.65 per week for policing represented good value for money.

We received 1423 views in total to the 4 questions which was fantastic and we really do appreciate you giving us your views. It was also a brilliant opportunity to hear first hand about your experiences of neighbourhood policing, your police success stories, feedback about things that had gone wrong as well as letting us know how you think the police can improve their service to you.

The results

57% said they did not know their local neighbourhood policing team officers. On the face of it, this is disappointing but what did emerge was that although they may not know them as an individual some of them did report seeing a police officer in their locality but would not associate that officer as being part of a dedicated neighbourhood policing team.

73% said they thought that the police understood the concerns in the local area which is really encouraging and 66% said that the police were responding to those concerns. So it seems that the majority of people think the police are making a difference in their local area. In relation to the cost of policing, 76% said that the average £ 2.65 weekly cost was good value for money- in fact many said they were prepared to pay a lot more!

All the information collected will be shared and considered by the Police Authority as part of the wider performance monitoring process that we undertake.

Many thanks to all those people who came along to the events to give us their views on policing and thanks again to Asda Supermarkets at Lancaster, Blackburn, Skelmersdale, Blackpool, Rawtenstall and Preston for allowing us to talk to their customers.