

# Effective implementation of problem-oriented policing guidelines

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We are seeking views on the first national guidance and standards to be produced on problem-orientated policing.

The new evidence-based guidelines will help policing to develop and apply problem-solving strategies to address local priorities collaboratively with communities and partners.

They complement our [Neighbourhood policing guidelines](#) to support policing to be more consistent and effective and will provide practical advice and resources.

## Why the guidelines were developed

Evidence shows that problem-orientated policing (POP) can be an effective strategy for reducing crime and keeping people safe. However, it isn't used widely or consistently.

The National Police Chiefs' Council's (NPCC) national prevention coordination committee is working to embed problem-orientated policing at all levels and across all areas of policing. This work aims to reduce demand and reduce crime.

The guidelines have been developed by a group of experts including senior and frontline police officers and academics. They are based on evidence from research and listening to the experiences of frontline police officers, staff and volunteers.

## Who the guidelines are for

The guidelines are aimed at chief officers, as well as those who are involved in identifying, designing, and implementing responses to crime and other recurring issues, including crime prevention leads and neighbourhood policing teams.

The guidelines set out:

- how chief officers can embed problem-orientated policing at all levels across all areas of their force
- how leaders and supervisors can provide active, consistent and thoughtful support that allows their staff to feel empowered
- how frontline officers and staff at all levels can adopt a problem-orientated policing mentality to empower them to make a difference in the communities they serve, with the processes they can use to do so

## Why we want your input

We want to hear from people likely to use these guidelines including:

- chief officers
- force crime prevention and anti-social behaviour leads
- regional neighbourhood policing leads
- neighbourhood policing teams
- multi-agency partners

Your feedback will make sure the guidelines are clear, relevant, and effectively support police officers and staff to keep the public safe.

## Have your say

The consultation is open until 11:59pm on Monday 5 June 2023.

- [Read the document](#)
- [Complete the questionnaire](#)

## Consultation closed

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback.

## Consultation documents

- [Effective implementation of problem-oriented policing guidelines \(pdf\) 248.58 KB](#)

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