

Criminal justice system

Version 3

1. Policy statement

All stakeholders and partners across the criminal justice system must work together to do whatever they can to ensure the continued delivery of the best police service in the world.

2. Responsibility

The National Board is responsible for all policy formation.

3. Summary

We would like to see reform of the criminal justice system as a whole. There is no point changing one part of the system without considering how that fits with the rest. Success in one area is undermined by other areas that remain ineffectual. For example re-offending rates remain unacceptably high. We would like to see more focus given to tackling persistent offenders so that our members do not have to keep arresting the same people over and over again costing millions and causing unnecessary harm and distress to the public.

PFEW believes there should be a holistic approach to the criminal justice system so that constituent parts work together rather than compete against each other to ensure that members of the public including victims, witnesses and vulnerable people are supported and receive the best possible service and that offenders are brought to justice and managed.

4. Procedures/implementation

We will press the Government for holistic reform of the criminal justice system to ensure the best possible service to the public and to bring offenders to justice.

Responsibility is delegated to the National Secretary and/or the appropriate sub-committee.

	Author	Date	Date to be reviewed	Change
Version 1	EP-KP	March 2016	March 2017	
Version 2	EP-KP	March 2017	March 2018	Version number
Version 3	KP	January 2019	March 2020	Minor changes

Signed by:

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National Chair

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National Secretary