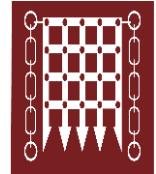


**Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar:
Next steps for tackling shoplifting and retail crime in England and Wales**

Timing: Morning, Monday, 10th June 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **The current retail crime landscape - addressing the key issues for small retailers, and priorities for moving forward**
James Lowman, Chief Executive, Association of Convenience Stores
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Assessing the Retail Crime Action Plan**
Protecting retail staff | Improving training for retailers | Policing and resource priorities | Implications of possible displacement of retail crime | Cross-sector collaboration | Addressing possible societal factors influencing the nature and prevalence of retail crime
Amanda Blakeman, Chief Constable, North Wales Police; and Lead for Acquisitive Crime, NPCC
Paul Gerrard, Campaigns and Public Affairs Director, Co-op
Senior representative, legal
Senior representative, local authority
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 **Alternative approaches to tackling retail crime**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 **The policing and business partnership - assessing the parameters of the Pegasus initiative**
Katy Bourne OBE, Police and Crime Commissioner, Sussex
- 11.10 **Implementation best practice**
Hotspot policing | Models for collaboration | Implementation of technology including CCTV and facial recognition | Improving data sharing and collaboration | Priorities for funding
Benedict Selvaratnam, Store Owner, Freshfields Market
Senior representative, technology
Senior representative, security
Senior representative, local authority
Senior commentator
- 11.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **Effective sanctions and proportionality**
Considering current sanctions | Assessing the impact of the reduction of short-term prison sentences | Priorities for effective deterrent strategies
Paddy Lillis, General Secretary, Usdaw
Senior representative, legal
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for tackling shoplifting and retail crime**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Legal Policy Forum