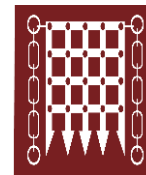


Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar:
Next steps for tackling shoplifting and retail crime in England and Wales
Timing: Morning, Monday, 10th June 2024
*****Taking place online*****



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Ian Paisley MP, Vice Chair, Retail Crime, Safe and Sustainable High Streets APPG
- 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
Professor Adrian Beck, Emeritus Professor, School of Criminology, University of Leicester
Linda Barker, Consultant Crime Duty Solicitor, Duncan Lewis
Senior representative, local authority
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**
Ian Paisley MP, Vice Chair, Retail Crime, Safe and Sustainable High Streets APPG
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Liz Twist MP, Shadow Minister for Levelling Up, Housing, Communities and Local Government
- 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
Dan Norris, Mayor, West of England Combined Authority
Mark Johnson, Advocacy Manager, Big Brother Watch
Steven Kinnon, Contracts Manager, Triton Security
Senior speaker confirmed from **Trust Payments**
- 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
Professor Emmeline Taylor, Professor of Criminology, School of Policy and Global Affairs, City, University of London
Senior representative, legal
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for tackling shoplifting and retail crime**
Chris Philp MP, Minister of State for Crime, Policing and Fire, Home Office
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Liz Twist MP, Shadow Minister for Levelling Up, Housing, Communities and Local Government
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Legal Policy Forum