



THE POLICE FOUNDATION PUBLIC POLICY SEMINAR

Can and Should the Police Solve More Crime?

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Introduction

❑ The widening agenda

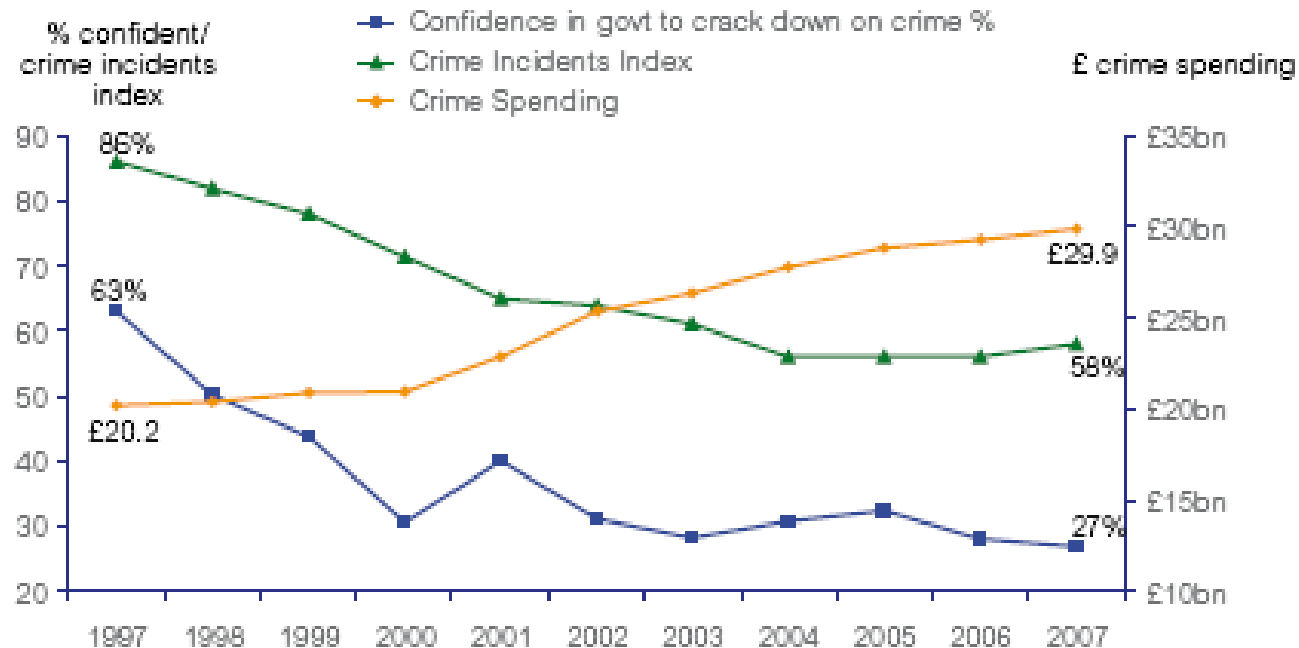
❑ The core challenge

❑ Public confidence in solving crimes



Reassurance Gap

SPENDING ON CRIME, CRIME LEVELS AND PUBLIC CONFIDENCE



Sources: Ipsos MORI International Social Trends Monitor/Delivery Index (average percentage over year); HM Treasury, HM Treasury (2007) Public Expenditure Statistical Analyses 2007 Crown Copyright; Nicholas, S., Kershaw, C. and Walker, A. (2007) Crime in England and Wales 2006/07 Home Office Statistical Bulletin 2nd Edition, Crown Copyright [Index is against number of crimes 1995]

Focusing on Public Confidence

- solving crimes *with* the public

- Public Confidence
- Controlling overheads and managing risks
- Use of local discretion
- Rounded Assessments



Conclusion

“Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs even though checkered by failure, than to rank with those timid spirits who neither enjoy nor suffer much because they live in the gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat”.

Roosevelt