Building Positive Relationships between Young People and the Police

Gender and Age Breakdown

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Have you heard of your Safer Neighbourhood Team or where to find out who they are?

- Yes: 78
- No: 457
- Unanswered: 9

Do you know or have you seen your school's PCSO (Police Community Support Officer)?

- Yes: 304
- No: 140
- Unanswered: 100
Would you feel able to approach a Police Officer or PCSO if you had an issue to do with crime?

![Bar chart showing responses to the question]

**Comments**

Because I feel like they're trustworthy and wouldn't tell anyone and would get it sorted.
Because I trust them.
Sometimes it's not your business to tell on other people.
Because I'm not shy.
Yes because they will take whatever you problem is seriously and will help you as much as possible.
Because the Police is a bit too much if you have a problem.
I would because if someone did something wrong the PCSO needs to know.
They would be able to help.
I think crime needs reporting.
Even though she is PCSO of the school, she is still a Police officer so I wouldn't be afraid.
It is their job to do these things.
They are nice people that I don't feel uncomfortable around.
It would be important because it is a serious matter.
I'm not scared.
The Police seem easy to talk to.
I can contact them easily.
You know you can trust them because they have high authority and I have respect for them.
I would be too nervous.
He would help the situation.
Socially awkward.
I'd ring them.
They will make it better and sort it out.
Because I haven't broken the law.
Because I want to feel safe in the area that I am in or live in.
Too scared to talk.
Because they would help.
Police are biased and only treat certain people fairly.
It's safe as they help.
Because I don't mind the Police.
To get the issue dealt with quickly and efficiently.
So they could sort it out.
If it was serious.
I trust them.
They are always around and come across as approachable.
Because it should be sorted.
Easy to communicate with.
I feel uncomfortable and not know how to get my point across.
I could feel uncomfortable.
I would call them.
Not a snitch.
I would like to fix the issue.
Why would I? I don't trust them.
I'm socially awkward.
Why wouldn't I? There is nothing to be afraid of as they are there to help.
Don't like to talk about my issues.
You would if you are in trouble.
This will allow me to deal with the situation easily.
They look approachable.
I'd rather deal with it myself I guess.
I just would.
So they can deal with an issue that I would have.
Then I can talk to them about it.
They look approachable.
They don't do anything.
I am confident with speaking to people to do with the law.
They are around all the time.
They come across as intimidating.
They should be able to get all the information they can.
It would sort it.
It is better to confess straight away.
To feel safe.
They seem like nice human beings.
They could probably sort it out.
I am confident to talk about my problems.
I am confident enough to speak to someone about my problem.
I would because I know they can help me.
I'd feel safer knowing it was being dealt with.
I wouldn't know how to and what to say.
They are safe and easily friendly.
I can sort things out easily.
They look friendly.
The Police judge people straight away.
I find the Police intimidating.
There is no point in grassing.
It's a quick and easy way of sorting out a problem.
It is their job to help and they will be able to solve it.
It's their duty to look after citizens in their area.
He would be able to help.
They would think I'm involved.
They seem scary and intimidating.
I know they are the people I should go to if I have an issue.
They're friendly.
I'm against crime and people need consequences for what they have done wrong.
Depends - I'll take it to the extreme if I saw that somebody had been killed, I would wait for somebody else to show up, because 85% of the time somebody in my position would be interrogated non stop and could get blamed.
Nothing would happen.
Embarrassment and wouldn't want to cause something.
They are scary.
They do not appear approachable and I can feel intimidated by them.
If the crime was big I would not tell them such as a stabbing.
If I robbed a house I wouldn't tell them. Depends on the crime.
Wouldn't feel comfortable, depends on how bad.
They're not friendly.
Just wouldn't.
I wouldn't be able to.
I have needed help from Police before and they were useless.
They're intimidating.
They weren't intimidating.
I can never find them.
I do/can.
It's a serious problem to be dealing with.
I'm scared of others.
I would feel like they are the best people to go to and will sort it out.
You'd have to.
I don't trust them.
I don't know how to find them.
They are nice people.
If I had an issue.
I don't want to do time.
They will arrest me, they always do that!
They can nick me.
I have spoken with them before and they are friendly and approachable.
They can deal with it.
I don't know what they do.
They make me feel comfortable and safe and they are there to support people.
Don't feel approachable.
I just wouldn't.
I don't think that I would have the confidence to.
No cause I am the boss.
If there was a problem I would want it resolved.
They know about the law.
They are professional and know what they are doing.
They are there to help out and protect you. I feel safe around them.
They make you feel bad for saying your opinion.
I can trust them as they have a responsibility to help us, therefore they can help me with an issue I may have.
It is the correct thing to do and I have to trust that they will do their job.
If I report and issue it is more likely to be resolved and I would receive support.
Too much anti-social behaviour within the community and places are unapproachable and Police are unable to go there because of Health and Safety.
Their friendly.
Never really had a problem with the Police.
Can't trust them.
They look intimidating and I don't know where they are.
I want to live in a safe area.
They are officers of the law and can be trusted.
I don't talk to Police.
I would be afraid to report an issue and not have enough evidence.
I would feel safe after that.
It will make me more confident.
Them people are there to help you so you can tell them anything.
They would do a 'random search' on me.
Don't seek advice from strangers.
They have given me a bad first impression.
I know what to say.
Depends what issue it is.
They judge young people straight away.
They're there to make things safer but they do look intimidating.
I've done it before and they helped a lot.
If you had a problem relating to crime they would be the first people you would turn to so they can make you feel safe.
They look scary and intimidating.
They can help you and make you feel safe.
They are meant to help us and our community.
You would want to live in a safe area.
I've only seen them around school, never spoke to them.
Don’t know who my PCSO is.
They get paid to help you so you might as well talk to them.
They can help with the crime and solve it so everyone can be safe.
They seem friendly and approachable.
I don’t like talking to people like police.
I don’t like to talk to them personally. It’s strange.
I feel like you can trust them.
They make themselves very approachable.
He is part of the Police and it is safe to talk to him.
I'd want to sort it out fast. But some are racist.
They have come into assembly and spoken to us before.
Don't know where I could find him or what issues/crimes I could tell him about.
They are easy to talk to and understandable.
Depends on the situation.
I know they are safe to speak to.
They come into school so we have spoken to them before.
If I had a problem I would sort it out.
I don't know who they are.
They seem approachable.
I believe in justice and responsibility.
They're easy to talk to.

Any crime committed they should taken open and not make young people feel intimidated when they have information.
Those who I have seen seem very friendly.
Because he's a policeman.
So I can tell them.
So I can solve it.
I trust Police and believe they will help me. I might feel that I would be suspicious.
Because I don't like them.
Wouldn't feel comfortable doing so unless it was needed.
I don't want them knowing my business.
I would feel like I was wasting their time.
That's what they are there for.
I don't trust the Police.
That their job to sort it out.
They are there to protect the community.
That's what they are there for.
I don’t feel comfortable.
They deal with incidents well and I feel that I would be able to talk easily.
That's what they are there for.
They would deal with it.
They would know how to solve the problem.
You can easily call 999 or as a teacher for them, plus they are just other people but in a Police outfit.
Why not? Why wouldn't you be able to?
You could feel embarrassed and ashamed of it.
I'd feel bad about it.

I feel if a crime has been committed then the authorities deserve to know to deal with it.
I wouldn't want him to know what crime I'd committed.
They are the Police and I feel like I can trust them.
I've never spoke to him properly.
I can trust them.
No, I've never spoke to him.
They are easy to approach.
I would feel comfortable.
They look helpful.
They are friendly.
It is important for justice to be issued.
I'm shy.
Not very approachable, always just ride around never stop.
As I know I'll be safe and it's the right thing to do.
I don't want to be involved with the Police.
There's nothing wrong with talking to a PCSO.
I would be safer.
I would be safer and feel more comfortable.
So then they would try and help me as quickly as possible.
They can sort out the problem with the Police better.
They should be able to deal with it.
PESCO's aren't respected like real Police and are only able to keep someone for 20 mins.
They are a Police Officer so they know what they are doing.
They are there to help you.
They are the Police but I don't know what a PCSO.
I don't know who or what they are.
Who or what are they?!
They're Police and they fight crime.
I feel that the Police need to be informed of a crime they don't know about, and it is my responsibility to inform
them.
A few years ago my mum went next door without telling me, I needed her while I was in bed. I waited for about
30 mins but she never came back so I called the Police and they calmed me down and got my mum.
I know they would be able to help me in any situation.
I wouldn't want to be involved in it too much so I would tell them.
Too scary.
If there is a crime then somebody needs to know.
I just would.
They are the Police and here to help.
I don't know who they are.
If it is serious enough for the Police then it needs to be addressed.
You should tell the Police if you know anything or have an issue with crime.
I don't know who they are.
They are Police.
They are professional and they would probably try to sort it out.
They are Police and can deal with it better than someone else.
They could help.
You must be able to tell someone about a crime issue.
You need to report crimes.
I just would.
Don't know.
They are trustworthy and can solve any issues.
You can trust the Police.
Don't know who they are.
They're trustworthy.
That's what they're there for.
They are scary.
They are here to help.
They are approachable.
They are never here.

I don't know the PCSO, I would just go to the Police.
Always been taught that they know how to correctly deal with crime, there to help!
Not PCSO not necessary, PO are not normally open.
I don't know who they are.
I don't know where they are, how to access them. Do I call 999?
I'd tell my mum to tell the Police.
Just because they are there to help not to be nosy or anything.
I trust they would be able to help me.
I wouldn't really know where they are situated.
People trust the Police.
Easier to trust a Police Officer depending on the size of the crime.
It's the right thing to do and you can trust them.
I could trust them.
That’s just what you do. They look as though they command authority and handle the situation with the utmost care. I know they’re there to help. Police Officers are here to help us. Don’t know who they are or what they specifically do. Its their job to help so are approachable. They are a stranger. They keep everyone safe. They keep people safe. To get help in the right way. They should be more equipped to handle that kind of situation. I’m confident with authority. I don’t know who they are. Not aware of who they are. I saw the PCSO a while ago, don’t remember them. Awkward.

Yes if it was serious enough. No if it wasn’t. I’ve had bad experiences before. Because they are an authoritative agency and one easy to find It’s the done thing Because they are paid to do this It’s their job They are friendly. It’s what you do As don’t know where they are Cause I don’t like speaking to people I don’t know Because I’ve spoken to them before Because it would just be the norm Because the police are here to help Yes, trust them It’s their job to sort it Just intimidation They are all very approachable Because they are there to help us Not aware of any They seem friendly Because that the way forward Don’t know who they are Because they would be able to handle the situation Because I must to take care of it Because I trust the police to take care of it They’re generally nice guys Right thing, protection I know a lot of police officers in the local area I can feel comfortable around police workers I don’t know who they are, where to find them, and I may not wish to talk to them, as I don’t know them You’re telling someone you don’t know and you could be embarrassed if they thought it wasn’t important Because I think they would question me and they would go to everyone I told them about and everyone would be against me etc.. They are there for a positive thing not negative Because I feel they had to know and get me out of it and stop crimes Because you get in more trouble if you ran Because they are there to stop crimes and to prevent them I have confidence, it would be the right thing to do Because you need to speak to someone has a problem They sound helpful Because I haven’t Because they are scary and would not do anything Not really sure Because they could help sort the problem out a lot quicker than not telling anyone
No because they're the police  
Because they are the police - they are here to help  
Because they are the police  
I don't know who they are  
Because safety is important and crimes should be solved as it can effect anyone  
Yes, because they can help  
Because they are kind and there for me  
Shy, scared  
Shy and scared  
No, because I have no need to  
Because it's their job  
Because I feel intimidated  
Because I wouldn't want to keep it a secret because it might get worse  
Yes, because if you have a problem they can help you.  
I would want to confess to not get into more trouble  
because they are police and they understand  

mmm…it's just worrying, I always feel I've done something wrong when I'm near them, even though I haven't  
I wouldn't know how to go about it  
Yes, if it is necessary  
Because they are the police  
Because we need to trust them in anything  
Because they have authority  
I know they would deal with my problem in the correct way  
Because the police aren't scary after working with Taz  
Because that's what they're for  
Because I don't do anything  
Don't have the confidence  
They would understand  

Because I ain't a tale tale apart from if it was a serious crime  
Because they don't do anything  
But I don't like them  
can't be bothered  
they are more approachable  
But I don't like them  

police would sort it out  
I am comfortable with it  
Happy to report crime  
They are scary.  

I think it depends on what the crime was, who did it and I rarely see him/her so I may not be able to find him/her.  
No contact with them, don't know what they do, their capabilities, whether they would have the authority to change it.  
The Police station is accessible.  
They don't exist.  
They are easy to find and approach.  
I won't be embarrassed.  
I would deal with it myself.  
They would help you.  
I feel like I am able to talk to them.  
They'd search you for no reason.  
They're very friendly.  
Not around enough.  
I find it easy to talk to people.  
They're easy to approach and see around.  
They're nice and appear to be so.  
So I feel safe in my community.  
It's awkward.  
The Police haven't helped me previously.  
They are friendly and approachable.
I think that Police are trusted in the local area, and PCSOs are an extension of that. They always seem too busy. They're there to protect us and keep us safe.

I don't like the Police I think they are manipulative; they are horrible to most people and think they can do what they want. They should not be able to hit people. Restrain.

Depends on the crime, with a child protection crime or a domestic crime I would approach the Police. It depends; I would talk to certain Police Officers and not to others. It feels like snitching - if something gets stolen I go get it back for myself.

They are not approachable; they would judge me based on my age. They are not approachable; they would judge me based on my age.

I would consult the PCSO so I could better understand the law and how to abide it.

He knows what he is doing.
The PCSOs are really friendly.
They talk to me.
They are friendly.
As long as it wasn't something related to me.
They are friendly.
They are the people you go to.
Effort would be required.
Don't know where to find them.
I like Police.
I'm not scared. I'm hard.
They are there and make you feel like you can talk to them.
It is their duty to deal with the crime.
They seem friendly.
Approachable.
They are friendly.
I wouldn't mind if the crimes serious.
He's a PCSO.
I can trust the authorities to do the right thing.
I haven't heard much about them (wouldn't know how to contact them).
I don't know them well enough and I don't know how I'd contact them.
No as I feel we have not gathered enough information about them and established a relationship.
Young people were asked when they had been in contact with the police if that had been as a witness to a crime, a victim of a crime, or allegedly responsible for a crime within the last two years? They were then consulted on the question below.

To what extent do you feel the officer/s listened to you and offered the support you needed?

What do you think the Police’s views of young people are?

That some can be irresponsible.
I think the Police views towards younger people are fairly good but some are nicer than others.
I think they think that some young people are up to no good and like to vandalise a lot these days.
Troubled, Asbos
That we are rough and want to stab people and uneducated.
I think - innocent and kind but in some cases disrespectful.
The same as everyone else. They also look out for any young people that are not acting the way they should.
I think the Police respect young people but are also cautious of young people who have bad words against them.
Getting into trouble a lot and have no respect for senior people.
I think the Police sometimes think that young people are trouble because they sometimes smoke, do drugs and things like that.
That they are up to no good and are immature, they have no care for law.
That they like to test to see if the Police will get them or not yet very few are nice and wouldn't dream of such a thing.
That some of them are always causing trouble.
Druggies, rude, nasty, cruel, criminals.
I think that they think that young people are trouble or a disturbance.
Younger people tend to be more likely of committing a crime
That they usually misbehave and are disruptive and trouble makers. They also probably think they are the main crime causers.
I think the Police think that young people could get up to quite a lot of mischief.
We are Hooligans.
They are probably wary because there are so many chavs who like to ruin it for everyone else so they have to assume we could all be like that.
All teenagers ruin people’s lives.
They always assume that teenagers are bad and irresponsible, think they all do drugs and drink alcohol.
Starts fights and steal things.
They start fights and steal things from shops.
That the Police Officers expect the first from youngsters, whereas most young people are not as bad as some
Police Officers think.
Bad. They treat us like little kids.
I think they think we are all vandals.
They think we all want to get drunk or high and cause trouble. They treat us like stupid kids so why shouldn’t we
act like stupid kids?
They think that young people are criminals, stupid, always wrong.
They feel that they are suspicious and many are associated with bad things. They think they are quite arrogant.
I think the Police’s views on young people are potentially good.
Arrogant, self centred, ignorant, stereotypical, judgemental.
Some may think they are trouble makers but they are usually right.
They all think they’re thugs and try and make trouble.
Stereotypically, they constantly think of the worst when seeing a young person.
All people misbehave.
We are trouble, irresponsible and immature.
They think most of us are trouble makers.
Irresponsible and immature.
Immature, irresponsible, trouble makers, rude and childish.
That we’re always looking for trouble.
Think we are chavs who like to ruin everyone’s chances of happiness.
Bad.
Chavs.
They think they’re all immature and drink and do drugs.
Chavs.
I think the Police view all young people with the same stereotype, this stereotype being every young person is out
to cause trouble.
They are naughty and need sorting out.
Neutral they don’t really mind us only some people.
To not get in trouble.
They probably think we cause all the problems.
A young person who haven't experienced life and think they are bad men.
If there's a large group of them, they'll think they're there to cause trouble.
That we're all disruptive and the same that we're all there to intimidate them, cause trouble and waste their time.
That every single young person breaks the law.
I don't know, it depends on what act/crime they do or if they’re good or not.
I think they all think we are trouble, when most of us are not.
They are very stereotypical to children- especially me because I'm black.
If they were in a large group their view could be that they're not nice people.
Criminals and noisy and also they think we are stupid and annoying.
They think that young people are a bit stupid and silly and that they should be careful.
I think in general there are negative connotations towards young people but there are also a lot of positive things
that young people are viewed on.
Police think that all young people are prior to committing some sort of crime at a younger age.
In my opinion, I think that a majority of the Police believe that young people are rebellious, irresponsible and
always commit crime. But then I believe some of them think that young people are the opposite, but it’s the
amount of young people that are co
I think they're quite negative. It seems like they stereotype young people and expect them to cause trouble all the
time, when its only a small minority that do this.
Police think that young people are anti-social and look down on them.
Sometimes they are biased.
That young people think about drugs and that they are trouble.
Annoying hoodlums.
They're dumb kids.
Look out for us but sometimes stereotypical of teenagers.
I think young people are all perceived as reckless and irresponsible. In some ways it is like they feel we act like
children in a society we are expected not to. As far as they are concerned we are out to disrupt society by
drinking and behaving in a reckless way

That they are all criminals and nothing else.
Bad, silly and thoughtless.
Drug addicts and drink a lot.

I think they think that we're all out to cause trouble and they think we're all chavs.
That they are all criminals and that they hang around in gangs and are violent to the public.

Some responsible, trustworthy, nowhere to go for problems.
If they're in a large group, they will think they're there to cause trouble.
They think we're bad and irresponsible. They think all black (minority people) steal and deal drugs.

Dirty chavs, irrelevant, want to catch us out.
That they are all chavs in hoodies - stereotypically. Trouble makers and that they get drunk and don't pay attention in life.

They should think others as their own and respond to any type of crime despite their age.
Terrible.

Depends how they look and violent and irresponsible.
I believe the Police think that young people are quite suspicious as it seems teenagers commit more crimes however this is not the case.

That they are violent and need sorting out.
Don't like young people as they stereotype us as bad.

I think some have the mindset that we're all different. But some I think have bad stereotypes of us.
That most young people are ok, just mess around too much and may become a danger to ourselves and others.

Bad because they think we are all chavs.
I think it depends on how teenagers look and how they represent themselves to the Police.
The Police make youths look bad, but I wouldn't go any further than that. Barricading myself at home is a much safer idea.

Trouble making naughty youths that vandalise the community.

That they're all horrible- unless they have glasses.
They stereotype a bit however some young people do keep the stereotype going. However I do believe they do a good job in my community (mostly).

They always think we are doing something that we shouldn't be doing. Always come to us first. They think that all we do is cause trouble.

They think they are gangsters.
Depending on the area you live they suspect that your gobby or whatever.

Horrible young people.

They all think if we wear trackie bottoms and a hoodie they will stop us because they think we are going to or have committed a crime.

Some are naughty not all of them. Some belong in jail. I don't know.
Hoodies, drinking, smoking, knife crime, hanging around shops.

That we're all trouble makers.
That we are all little hoodlums that cause trouble and do drugs.

They think we get in trouble often.

I think they think most young people are rebels and just want to get us into trouble.
Bad because they think teenagers are trouble.

Bad because many young people get looked upon as a bad person.
Very bad, stereotypical.
That we all go out drinking and are out to cause trouble.
They think we are horrible people because we do bad things.
They think we are hooligans.

That we can all be irresponsible and make the mistakes that some people our age do.
That we all misbehave.

They believe most young people are horrible and always get into trouble.
That hoodies are always related to drugs when they could just be cold.

Gangsters.

They think all young people are the same. - Stereotypical.
That they think we are all bad and we are to do with drugs and drink.

They believe everyone In hoodies are dangerous and are in gangs. They are arresting more children than adults.
They're stereotypical.
Too stereotypical as soon as you put on a hoodie you become a nuisance, deal drugs and drink alcohol.
That they are all chavs and rough.
Creepy.
All criminals.
They are stereotypical.
That we are all maniacs hell bent on killing everybody who comes near us.
I think they can be prejudice. They always think you're getting into trouble and being disruptive because a small population are like that. But I do think they will help you if you need their help. Also, I think that young people are just as rude and in the
That we all commit crimes and have no respect for our community.
From my point of view I think the Police's views of young people are just teenagers walking around in hoodies, trying to get hold of drugs and alcohol or trying to get involved in theft or other crimes.
I believe that they think poorly of young people and categorise all youths by a few misbehaving ones.
Stereotype teenagers in hoodies to be up to no good.
The Police view us as hood rats whom live in ghettos and they tend to stay away from us. The often see people smoke, swear and do drugs and choose to ignore it because of the paperwork.
Bad.
Negative, they think we vandalise, do drugs, attack for no reason. They don't really understand us.
They think we are immature and non achievers.
I think they are negative and stereotypical.
That they're violent and they always cause trouble.
Dangerous.
That we only make trouble, but we are only having fun.
They think that all young people are out to cause trouble.
Not good they think that each teenager is taking drugs etc.
Not good because they make a big issue about it and if they see people covering their face will always think it's a terrorist.
The Police view on younger people is that they are all naughty people who take drugs and cause trouble.
That if we're coloured we are thieves or violent and that all young people are crack heads or alcoholics.
Stereotypical as we both have strong views as opposed to young people and Police.
Stereotypically crime creating.
They are criminals, stupid and immature.
Criminals, always wrong.
I don't know, I've never been in any case with the Police.
That we're always doing something we shouldn't be.
They don't like us.
That they all cause trouble.
That we're out looking for trouble.
That all of us are typical teenagers and that they immediately judge us because we are teenagers.
They think that young people are careless and act before they speak. That they are a typical gangster.
I think that most Police Officers think that most young people like to commit crimes and drink alcohol which would make them end up in prison.
That they stereotype them on what they wear and the people they are with.
I think that they may think that youngsters are stubborn and think that they can be rude at times.
Anti-social.
That they are all people that are in gangs and they smoke and stuff.
Trouble seeking, annoying, anti-social.
Drug dealers.
They hang around on streets causing trouble and carry knives.
I think that they think all of us only drink and smoke weed, and when we're together in groups we are a gang planning to steal when most of us aren't.
Good.
That we are stereotyped as trouble makers.
They take advantage of us and think we are criminals and just cause trouble.
Scum of society.
They think that we are just a bunch of law breakers and don't trust us or take us seriously and judge us too fast.
They think that all young people are the same and they seem to look down on us because we are young although they say we are responsible for our own actions. Police are judgemental people who don't seem to have time for young people. They always judge us
That young people are trouble makers also only about smoking, drugs and alcohol, where many of us aren't.
They all have different opinions. I think that some know that we are all criminals and want to cause trouble.
Others are right in believing that it's not all of us just a few.
The Police often think that young people are stereotypically bad and commit crime.
Trouble makers.
I think they are normally quite negative because they have to deal with all of the crime involved with young people
and the bad side of them.
Police think they are ALL always doing something illegal, but know that most probably aren't.
Some Police suspect young people are criminals for being young. I.E I've been stopped on several occasions
and asked about why I am where I am etc.
They have good views, they all see both sides of a teenager and not judge them.
Mischievous, troublesome and un-civilised.
Police think younger people cause trouble.
Some believe we are friendly and easy to work with. Others do not like our attitude, so maybe don't treat us fairly.
Most kids are misfits.
That most are irresponsible.
Irresponsible, sly, think they're clever.
That some can be quite reckless but they're not all bad.
That some are quite troublesome so therefore most young people are stereotyped to be like that.
That some ruin the image of society, however they are only involved with those who are criminals.
That they can behave but some are immature.
Bad, because of crime.
Young people who like to have fun but sometimes can progress to more things - silly things.
Stupid and mischievous.
Most of them are troublemakers.
Stupid, insulting.
Thoughtless and typical.
They mess around, aren't responsible, childish, reckless, however can be sensible, adult and responsible.
Kids who choose the wrong path.
Most Police swear at young people or give disgusted looks.
Slightly stereotyped.
I am not sure really. They should be fair but some might stereotype.
That to be aware of them and always keep an eye of young people because they cause a lot of trouble.
Trouble makers, thieves, violent, disorganised, Police are always suspicious about teenagers.
They think that we can do no right.
They think some are a nuisance and disturb people in the area by getting up to mischief.
They think we are all trouble.
Think they just cause trouble when they are out.
I think that they sometimes feel that young people just try and cause trouble when they are out and we don't take
the consequence seriously. But some young people like to help and if they see crime, then they will tell the
Police.
I believe in the age of 13 or lower they are considered clueless and unaware however 14 + they are considered
of being aware and destructive.
They don't like them.
The Police's view of young people varies between the people or places they come from or hang around.
They hate us because we are annoying.
Violent, disturbing, disrespectful but can be helpful.
I think the Police view young people as a nuisance and trouble makers.
Young people are anti-social so that's what the Police think about most young people.
That we can't be trusted, need to listen more to them.
Police think that young people are nuisances and don't respect their environment.
That they get involved in the wrong crowd.
That we are all misbehaved and make us feel pressured like we are suspected for a crime.
They think young people are divided and have mixed feelings.
Irresponsible and like to create mischief.
Trouble makers.
Trouble makers, no good, annoying, stupid.
They are expected to be like everyone else and is treated like everyone else.
As delinquents and that they just cause trouble.
Rude, not sensible.

I think they don't help very well only on serious things.
They don't care much they only care if there is a serious matter.
They don't care about much and they are only helpful if it's a serious matter.
I think their views are that young people are all trouble makers and that they have to always keep and eye on them.

That some are quite vulnerable. However, others are sometimes responsible for crime. So overall, I think that some Police Officers can be quite hostile if they are under the impression that you look suspicious, although others are more polite.

I think the Police views of young people as in the stereotypical sense. That all young people are trouble makers and are of no use to society. Little trouble makers. Trouble makers?

That we are all gangsters.

I don't like stereotyping, it depends - everyone's different.

Usually negative, if hooded or in a group/gang the Police find them suspicious. Sometimes discriminating against young people.

They probably think that we do crazy things and that we cause lots of trouble. We can't be trusted in big groups.
They can be troublemakers and have no responsibility. They can be rude to them

I think they think we are immature and getting through that stage where we want to be crazy!
I think that they think a lot of young people are pressured into crime.

They are more likely to get into trouble.

That they are the ones who cause the most amount of crime.

Some are quite stereotypical.

That some are irresponsible, waste a lot of Police time, get into trouble for stupid things but that some are just nice young people.

Aren't mature, always causing trouble, are all criminals, dangerous, violent.

They can be trouble makers.

Mostly think that they all commit crime and think they are always suspicious of crime.

That they are all criminals.

They get into trouble a lot and are out to do bad. Probably won't be on young peoples' side.

That they can create trouble but are very important to educate as crime could be stopped.

Some are disruptive others are helpful and kind.

That we are dodgy, we are going to get into trouble.

I think they are all the same as all adults are stereotypical about us teenagers.

That they are usually up to no good.

That they can create trouble but can also help to improve society.

Some assume all young people are bad.

Disruptive.

Some people think they are trouble and start fights. But not all young people cause trouble.

Some Policemen/women may think that all young people are trouble makers, but not all young people are.

That we are all the same and only cause trouble.

They're troublesome and irresponsible.

They are rebels who mess around and are always up to no good. Don't listen.

They are trouble makers.

Responsible for high crime rates.

Pretty negative.

That we are all hood rats and hooligans.

Naïve, need to be guided.

In some ways quite prejudice as some young people create a bad image by participating in crime. But I think they realise not everyone is the same.

I feel they think a lot of young people get into trouble and judge people from the way they are dressed.

In Watford, they seem very nice. I don't think there's any hostility between them and us. It's not like TV.

Young and not understanding of the world.

Suspicious since many young people have got into trouble before but this applies to adults too.

They need to be watched, can have bad behaviour and ideas. Are sometimes misunderstood but need strong guidance to make sure they do not misbehave/commit crime.

Gangsters/chavs.

Suspicious, but treat us like most. They think we're stupid.

Suspicious of young people, gangs, experimental and stupid.
Suspicious of young people.
Suspicious, don't trust young people.
That most of them are gangsters.
That they are gangsters.
Some try to see the best in young people, however a vast majority tend to presume we're 'up to no good' as it were. 'One bad apple spoils it for the rest.'
That a lot are a bad influence and cause trouble.
They tend to stereotype.
I'm not sure as I haven't had much contact with Police Officers so my 'views' would be what others have told me.
Don't really know, not much contact. Stereotypical view - get drunk, generally bad contact with the Police.
More prone to commit crime or be a victim of crime.
Cause trouble.
That lots are trouble makers.
Stereotyped as trouble.
They think we all cause trouble.
I don't know because I've never been in a situation with the Police.
There are many views of young people.
I think there are many different ways that they view young people.
A balance.
They are responsible for a lot of crime.
They are often responsible for their own actions.
I often think that Police Officers view us as reckless.
Depends on what they look like. Very stereotypical.
That they are always up to no good.
Trouble makers
Potential hazards/criminals
They are most likely good natured but a few ruin it
Trouble makers, fairly poor view
Responsible for their actions
Annoying, stupid, drunk
That quite a lot are trouble makers
I think they sometimes judge young people
I don't know
Badly behaved, careless
Reckless, most likely to cause trouble. People to keep a constant eye on
Very stereotypical
That some are really bad, but others have a bright future
Stereotypical to an extent
I don't know, probably that they're trouble
They think we are troublemakers at times but mostly think we are ok
Hooligans
I think they know that not every teenager is the typical rebellious gang members as the media may scapegoat them to be
Depends on the Officer
Delinquents
Vandals, anti-social, causes problems wherever they are
Depends on the Officer
Suspicious
Judgemental & trouble
Young out to cause trouble. Rowdy
Reckless and antisocial
That we get into trouble
I think they judge people too quickly, but because they have a view (bad) of teenagers
Chavy people who drink and party and hurt people
I don't know probably nice, but stereotypical
They get into trouble a lot
That they are irresponsible and all the same unless they're not english
They think most of us are trouble makers, probably
Most people who are young are thieves
They are all violent

Good

They probably think we are chavy
I don't really know, it needs to improve

They may stereotype us too often - they think we are all irresponsible and bad

Needs to improve relationship

I think they think most of them are criminals. As in town sometimes they follow us round when we haven't done anything

Many think the youth is responsible for most crimes and tend to raise fingers at them first with suspicion, which can be pre judgemental and unfair at times

I think that police think all young people my age probably wear hoodies and are mean to others

I think the police think some of us don't act our age, some act older and less responsible than others. I just personally think they need to stop younger children from smoking and ban them.

Naughty, troublesome

That they are trouble but some are respectful and kind
I think they think of us as a bunch of trouble makers

Some think we are all bad and are all trouble makers while some think we are people and make mistakes and do not blame everyone my age

Their views would probably think they are responsible for what they do or are involved in

Troublemakers, quite intimidating and rude

They're trouble makers, only some. The rest delightful

Some police think they are all no good just because of the people they have met

That we're all hoodlums looking for trouble, and we all shoplift and do drugs

That we are to always be regarded with slight suspicion, more so than elderly people. Also that we're to be patronized

Not just the police, people in general have an idea of young people constantly causing trouble. This is understandable although not necessarily true

They think we are all rowdy and no good, especially black people, they are stopped more than white people, why is that?

Some are troublesome. They are on the wrong path. Most of them don't want any trouble

Violent, untrustworthy, thugs and stupid

I think that the police realise that youths can be a lot of trouble, but still know that a large percentage of young people are no trouble

They may think they're quite naughty

Most probably trouble

Not good

They are all antisocial

Youths are naughty/disrespectful

Criminals

Poor

They can't judge

Some are racist

Very hostile, very rude. Thinks youngsters are stupid.
I don't know

That their views count

Racist - some are. Some are straight. Stop blacks.

Just out to cause trouble. Negative thoughts.

They are always causing trouble.

It depends on your skin colour.

Think the black/brown youths are trouble makers.

They think all young people are corrupted.

Have bad habits, If they wear hoodies they will cause trouble and always a nuisance.

They stereotype teens in hoodies as crime commiters.

All criminals.

See them both good and bad.

Druggys and trouble makers.

We're all up to no good but a funny bunch.

Drug addicts, crackheads.

They normally try to help young people; they rather examine an event than wait for anything to happen.
Rebels.
They dislike us and try to do anything to send us to jail.
They are always accusing us of doing stuff.
They think we are rebels and they don’t understand the world we live in. They judge us and need to communicate
more with the youth.
That young people are chavs.
They are aware. Stereotypical.
They're a help to society.

Some understanding, mostly bad due to lots of people who are actually committing crimes.
It depends on the person. The Police at the station was friendly when I went there for a letter to be able to renew
my visa.
Varies - very poor view, stereotypical and negative.
They have more power over the young people.
Like to get into crimes.
We're all thugs.
I don't care what they think.
That some of them just want to cause trouble.

I think they think that most young kids are all about drugs and alcohol.
They stereotype coloured people for having illegal substances or knives, so they search them.
That we are all peasants and we want to stab everyone.
That they're trouble makers.
Irresponsible, naughty and disobedient.
That we are trouble.
Trouble makers, unreliable.
Depends.
They feel a need to help out young people with anything.
We're all criminals.
Police feel that young people make trouble or are squeaky clean.
Fair.
They cause trouble.
Nice and free.
Think we are all bad!
They are naturally suspicious for bad people.
They are suspicious.

I think that often they only have contact with young people who are ‘trouble’ and use that attitude towards those
who are not.

Differs place to place but not good in general.
That some of us are trouble makers and cause hassle.
They say they want to help us.

They think they can do whatever they like to us. They are prejudiced; think we are all unemployed and loitering.
Don't know.
Suspicious, immature, trouble, devious.

Very bad. Ever since the riots they always assume that we're out to cause trouble. They separate us from society.
I feel they trust many but deep down I think they consistently think about teenagers as chavy antisocial children
and in a way I agree with that view, lots are chavvy. But we need to be more trusting as a relationship between
Police and teens/young people.
I think they always think we are up to stuff.
Judgemental, think of teenagers instead.
Good young people, some naughty.
They are naughty.
Irresponsible, whenever I have spoken to a PCSO they are quite often patronising. They try to relate to us but
don't.
Friendly.
Judgemental.
Arrest them all.

Handsome, polite, well behaved, not naughty, do the right thing, hang around in right area.
They don't like us. Judgemental.

They think that they are trouble and do not show respect for anyone, the especially think this about hoodies.
Most teenagers are stereotyped due to cause of crime usually being of that age. However, the majority of Police
do not have a necessary stereotypical view.
That we all get up to no good. If they look in a certain way then they could be trouble, but personally they are fine and friendly towards me and friends.
Friendly.
Thugs.
Pretty bad considering the contact they have with us is mostly negative.
Scoundrels, thugs (understandable).
I think that their views on young people are no different to their views of the general public.
They are cautious of them, due to events like the London riots.
I think it varies concerning different groups. Some who may dress/act a certain way may be unfairly perceived as troublesome even if they are not breaking the law.

What do you think young people's views of the Police are?

That some are scary.
Some respectable but I don't think naughtier young people appreciate them as much as me.
To be honest not many young people like the Police because you hear a lot of things around schools about them. Some think they are cool and role models.
A lot of young people think the Police are useless but they help the community to be a safer place.
For bigger crimes they are good but terrible at small crimes.
Scary, kind, clever.
People they can trust.
I think young people tend to respect the Police.
Always on the look out and can handle the job well and efficiently.
Sometimes unfair, sometimes they think they are alright.
Strict, mean, annoying, do not understand situations.
That they just care about the job not people.
That they are annoying and sometimes mean.
Nasty, rude, humiliating, cruel, few nice, strict.
That they ruin fun but also help.
Young people may think it's unfair that Police suspect them to be criminals when they aren't.
I think young people have respect for the Police because of all the authority they have.
They are confident on what they are doing.
They can be nice people who can help us in a situation if needed.
Young people think Police are boring and don't care and stuff so don't trust them.
Out to arrest young people.
Annoying.
They're annoying.
Scary, old, annoying.
That if they approach you then you automatically think that you are in trouble, as they come across as scary people. Also they feel like they have to act differently when they see them.
Bad. I don't feel safe talking to them.
They hate us.
The Police are the enemy.
They are there to help and keep them safe.
I think that most people don't like the Police as they don't let people do what they want.
They are friendly.
Some young people don't like them.
To be avoided.
They are stereotypical.
Scary, out to get them, they do not understand.
Scary, inconsiderate.
Scary and opinionated.
That they are there to help people.
They don't actually care they just want to get paid. Some care some don't.
Bad.

Big people who have handcuffs.
Think the Police can accuse them of everything and hate them.
Young people hate Police because everyone does crack and drinks and does illegal things, but I have no opinion. I'm a good person.
Some young people think the Police are there to 'catch you out' however, some young people think they are there to help and protect us.
They are annoying and intervening.
Some young people don't like them some just don't really care.
They hate them!
Young people think they are bad, at some point they help them feel safe so in my point of view they are just a law to protect the society.
Nice people will think they're there to help, and then others will think they're there to be annoying.
They aren't there to help and they already have a preserved interpretation on us.
That they are strict.
I think they're good because the Police can sort out anything to do with crime or bullying.
They think they pick on people just for the fun of it.
Some like them some don't.
Either, nice people because they help, or they may think they're worthless.
Careless but brave.
That some are stereotypes and they think differently about everyone.
I think in general negative, but I have a positive view on them.
Most people are afraid to confront Police if something is wrong, because they always think of the negative consequences of people getting put in jail.
I think that some people lie, the rebellious, bad young people think Police are annoying and in the way of their freedom, whereas the other half believe that Police are a good thing because of the fact that they are always around catching law offenders. I
I think many young people dislike the Police because they get stereotyped by them. Personally, I don't have a problem with the Police as I know they're there to protect us and they do a good job.
Young people think Police are just out to get them.
Also biased.
That they pick on us and that they are horrible.
Annoying and heartless.
Police are there to protect and its only the ones in trouble that don't like them.
That Police blame everybody with hoods.
Judgemental.
Judge young people and are hypocrites.
That they can help people in need or can help with personal things or just nag at you about being in the wrong crowd.
They are very judgemental on kids, all they think kids do is wrong or bad.
Some people think that they're just going to cause them grief and if they report a crime that it won't get dealt with properly.
That they don't believe young people and that they don't follow enquiries through.
Scary, tell you and instruct you for nothing, blaming characters.
I think that they do their best.
If they're kind looking they'll think they're alright, but if they look stern, they'll think they're annoying.
Hate them!
Intimidating.
They are scary and not the same as our minds. Too serious.
They should think of them as helpers but in a way like a father.
Young people are scared of getting into trouble with the Police.
I believe Police Officers are violent as they could not deal with problems without violence.
Don't handle some situations compared to others.
That they are there to help but also scary.
Do not like them as they stereotype people.
Personally, I think some can be intimidating and rude, but also some can be very kind. However, as a whole, I think many people get scared.
They are idiots who try and stop us from having fun. But really, we know they are there to protect us.
They're bad people who are against us.
I think that young people's views on Police depends on whether they've seen Police in action.
If people are innocent they trust the Police and are quite scared of them, if guilty they don't trust Police and
end up with a lifetime of crime.
They moan and pick on certain people.
That they moan a lot and moan for fun.
Unfair, biased people. However I see them as law enforcement.
Can be stuck up and rude sometimes. Some really nice.
Horrible, they intimidate young people.
They think they are 'Pigs'. I think Police are idiots because they arrested my uncle for no reason, so he beat
them up.
That they are all killjoys, I don't know.
They can be intimidating when dealing with teenagers as they stereotype them.
That they can be intimidated by them and most people don't like them.
I find them a bit scary.
I think most young people think that Police are out to get them.
Don't really like them because young people get accused of doing things when sometimes it isn't them.
Take them as an enemy.
That they are there to catch us out.
We think they are serious people.
That they can be violent and that they don't always listen to what we have to say.
That they are all stuck up and stereotype teenagers.
The Police are very serious, and they follow rules.
Stereotyped as corrupted, abusive, paedophiles etc.
They think they're out there just to get them into trouble.
That they don't care. Stop anyone for any reason.
They are there to cause trouble/catch them out. OR They are there to support them and make them feel safe
and comfortable.
They look at them like they are bad.
Young people aren't aware that the Police are here to help.
Young people don't like them.
They don't like them.
That they're government slaves who do everything to accuse young people.
I think that they hate them because they are treated badly by the Police. Because of the stories they hear and
what they see, they judge the Police as bad people.
That they're mean and don't respect us in the way we're expected to respect them.
In my opinion I think that young people's views of the Police are that they are tough, scary, people in uniform
who can catch you out.
Many people believe that the Police are a joke as they have almost no control anymore and that they are lazy
and do not arrive at a crime until it's too late.
They are there to catch them out OR they are there to support them and protect them.
We view the Police as a higher place of authority but don't report crimes for fears of being called a snitch.
That the Police arrest anyone for nothing. They are never there when we need them.
Aren't trusted, don't feel safe in their presence.
I think generally young people see the Police as the bad guys who want you to get into trouble.
That they always think we cause trouble.
I believe that most young people dislike the Police because of their views of young people.
Police have a bad name and stereotype to young people. They don't keep us safe.
They get involved in small issue and turn into a big issue.
They get involved in your lives all the time and that they are the enemy.
Stereotypical as we both have strong views as opposed to young people and the Police.
Stereotypically fun spoilers.
Stupid, annoying
Unfair, think they are hard, don't like them
That they're only there when there's trouble, not there to help.
That they are there to get you in trouble for no reason.
That they're there to ruin our fun.
That they don't like them very much and they are just there to catch us out. Some may be intimidated by
them and find them quite scary.
That they are professional and they can decide your future so they are intimidating.
I think that most young people think that the Police are people who young people cannot talk to as they may
find them scary.
That they just want to arrest everyone and blame a lot of people. That they pick on certain youngsters. Kill joys. That they are there to stop them from having fun. We think they are like spies and always watch us so we can’t go out in peace. Annoying. That they’re just there to ruin fun, but they just look out for our safety. We think police are there just to scare or worry us and not really help or listen if we may have seen a crime. They have no respect for us. Young people like to be respected! Police have no respect for young people therefore young people would rather deal with the law themselves rather than going to the police. Young people think police are ignorant. That they sometimes just blame young people just because they are there and have stereotypes towards them which makes young people unhappy. Mixed. I think they are good and needed. They are people who look after the community and make sure everywhere is safe. Idiots and some useless and racist. I think most people like myself respect the Police and think they do a good job. However there are others, normally who are involved with crime, that don’t. Young people think Police throw their weight around and see trouble when it isn’t there. Often Police are seen as the bad guys and out to get young people. Maybe over the top but the majority of people think they are reasonable with their reactions. Respectable but rude, grasses. Police can be seen as scary. Find the Police easy to talk to, friendly and feel safe when around them. Some find them annoying, but they are only doing their job. They don’t help because they judge you. That most Police are intimidating and they’re not very reliable. That of a stereotypical policeman/woman They do their jobs. They sometimes ruin peoples fun, however, they are only doing they’re job. That they are here to help and to ensure their safety. That they try and keep you safe. Don’t like them. Some people may think they are cool. Some people may think they are annoying. Helpful yet daunting. The old bill! They dislike the Police and think they just want to arrest kids. They are here to help. I know there are a lot of young people who don’t like the Police but not every young person hates them. They’re here to help, think badly of them, think they don’t listen, quick to judge. People that will take you in for any reason. Young people dislike Police. Mixed emotions. I believe that the Police do a good job most of the time. There is not any crime that I am aware of happening near my house. Most young people have no problem with Police; however a small minority believe that the Police interfere. That they are there to help but are always on their back. Most people think the Police are just there to arrest you. Some people feel safer with Policeman around. Good. Strict but useful, they are fair as well and are quite friendly towards citizens. They don’t like them. Controlling people who tell you off. I think that young people think that they just go around the streets telling people off but the Police are only trying to help the community. People who tell you what to do when they disagree with your actions. They are bossy, strict and too serious. I don’t think many people like the Police as if you contact the Police or are involved you could possibly be in trouble or arrested. Not very nice, don’t like them. They don’t like them. I think most young people fear the Police because of their authority and what they can do. They don’t like them because they think the Police are snitches.
Strong, high up in society, confident.
They are troublemakers as well and should mind their own business.
Most people wouldn't approach the Police because they're scared they will get in trouble themselves.
They think that they should trust them and treat them like adults.
Some children think Police are useless and they don't help but I think they are very useful and do their job well.
They're not very friendly or helpful.
Moody.
Many do not like the Police.
That the Police are stereotypical and assume everyone is bad.
Boring, idiots, want us to be in trouble.
Helpful but can sometimes be annoying.
Most people would not approach the Police by themselves.
Supportive, helpful.
They think they are helpful.
That they help you and are there for you.
That they help you and some people only feel confident talking about their problems to the Police.
I think their views are that the Police are only here to annoy people by sorting crimes so they hate Police but they're here to protect victims.
The majority of young people find Police quite intimidating because they don't like people higher than them in authority. However I find them protective, although sometimes less so.
I think most young people's views of Police are also stereotypical. In the sense that they are all suspicious of young people and vice versa.
Don't like them.
Helpful.
I personally don't trust them but I'm really insecure.
I think nothing of them apart from they are racist.
They protect the people. Can be scary.
Usually difficult to talk to them and intimidating. Sometimes underestimated by young people.
Hard, cold, mean, judgemental and negatively biased towards us.
They always think they are looking for trouble in them and don't trust them.
They think that they are always aiming at them but the Police look for people who do crimes.
They are bad people.
Helpful but too judgemental.
Different young people will have different views. The people who cause the crime won't like them. The other people will think that they are helpful.
I don't know everyone has different views.
Some young people hate the Police and the law and rules of any kind. Others like them because they make the area safer.
Racist.
They are doing a tough job well.
They are sometimes quite fierce looking and dangerous.
That they are prejudice and racist.
They try to get rid of people who break the law but often fail!
Some think that the Police are bad and are the enemies others feel safer with the Police around.
Approachable, helpful, authoritative.
That they help to get rid of bad people.
Some young people think Police are useless and some think they can be helpful at times.
Help keep us safe but sometimes get the wrong idea about us and accuse us of the wrong thing.
They are helpful and help to keep the community safe.
Helpful but unapproachable 'the bad guys' for some young people who get in trouble a lot.
They are scary.
Most young people dislike the Police as they see them as a threat.
Some young people don't like the Police because they see them as a threat. Not all young people.
They're arrogant and intimidating.
They're violent, unnecessarily so and arrogant. But can sometimes be helpful.
Annoying and can be unfair.
They do nothing and are against young people.
Police are out there to get the young people.
Unapproachable, not very relatable.
They don't listen to us and they always presume that we are up to no good. Intimidating, hard to communicate with but some may respect them.
Respect Police.
In different area’s people have different views personally I think the Police are fair. I don't think there's any hostility between the Police and young people. It's not like TV. They pick on them especially; seem to assume young people are mainly responsible for crimes. They help out a lot to protect us. Are there to keep us safe.
Scary, rough.
Intimidating.
Out to get young people, don’t trust them.
Most trust the Police but some are afraid of them.
Protection.
They protect you.
Helpful.
Command respect; uphold the law, sometimes too quick to judge.
I think some don't like the Police but only because they have been in trouble with them, others don't have a problem.
They're there to help at the end of the day.
Varies, some people know they are there to help whereas others don't respect them.
Some people may think they would be violent due to stories in the news. However I believe the majority think they are helpful. I'm not sure.
I think they're helpful in situations, but stereotypical view is of being unhelpful.
A distant, kind of ineffective authority.
Don’t really have an opinion.
Can be helpful, have authority, can presume young people cause danger/trouble.
That they assume we're all trouble.
Most young people view the Police more negatively than positively.
It depends on whether they've committed a crime or not.
They are helpful.
I think that they differ.
Some will not like them, some will respect them.
They are always blame them for crime.
They are there for them.
That they are racist.
Most don't like the Police.
That they want to arrest you
Annoying people
Annoying?
They help keep people safe
Also poor view, see as a threat
Make an area safe, but some see them as a hassle
Some may think they are annoying and an extra aggravation, but others may see how they make an area safer
Annoying
Quite positive overall
I think they are wary of them
Bad because they think police are judging them
That they are prejudiced. I don't but believe this is the case for others
Annoying, they don't help etc…
People feel the police fight for them as well
They are there to help
Very mixed between social groups
That they are just out to target us
They see them as authoritative figures
Young people feel the police are a joke and not needed
I think that although some people may feel scared and anxious to approach a police officer. Most youths would likely trust them to be willing and understanding to help
Intimidating, scary
Scary, intimidating, probably helpful
Blame teenagers all the time. Always think we are trouble, strict
Bad
Probably think that they don't like teenagers
Suspicious
Ruin people's fun. Always in the way
Stereotyping
That they constantly assume trouble
They're there to help
I don't think they see what they really do is help
People who ruin fun, cause trouble and make criminal records
That they worry about too much
They don't care
Annoying
Lazy
Not good
I think they can be disrespectful
Not very good
Negative mostly
Annoying, kill joys
Good
Grump, moody and scary people
I think the police can be intimidating to young people even if the young person hasn't done anything
That they are caring and if we need them they're always there.
Bad, annoying, scary, horrible
I think that young people think that they are a good thing because they keep the town safe but sometimes have better things to do
I think they are mixed
They either respect or disrespect them. They either look up to them or hate their jobs
They know the police are just trying to help them out but some people don't like them because they know they've done something wrong
It varies, some think of them as 'snitches' and some think of them as 'heroes'
They do not like them because they get them punished. The rest think they are very handy
I think not a lot of young people like them because they feel judged
Depends what kind of person you are. If you're quiet and not a 'roughian' you'd probably respect the police, but if you're trouble you're going to hate them and be all cockey and be rude to them
That they're trying to ruin our fun, that they're annoying
I've heard people say they feel nervous when the police are around, but I don't think they have right views and if they had to they would go to the police. It depends on a person and their environment
They're just police, some of them are prejudice
If something is wrong you should call them, but some people do not trust the police
Young people act like they hate police when they're not even a bad person
A lot of young people seem to see the police as 'killjoys' but most people are sensible enough to realise that the police only do good
I don't think police are scary or anything
To some very safe and trusted people but nothing to criminals
Bad
The old bill to stay away from
Waste of time, don't do anything quick
Not good
I feel safe but people feel different
Mixed and safe
Hate them, unsafe
I don't like them
Not interested in them
Waste of time - but people don't get arrested for no reason
Not very good - football in park not really a crime. Solve more in depth crime.
They are scary.
Controlling, authoritative
Think they are corrupted.
Prejudice, always helpful.
Bad but sometimes helpful, judgemental, pre judgemental.
A bit scary.
We do not like them.
Some of them are ok, some of them annoying.
Friends.
Overall, people look up to them for help, protection and inspire them. A lot of my friends aspire to be a Police Officer.
Racist.
We hate them, they're useless.
They are there for good but sometimes they do not understand us.
They are 'pigs' and don't understand that we have rights.
Not good, lots of swear words used when discussing.
They are needed for this society that people live in.
Stereotypes.
No respect, someone to fight with.
They spoil the fun?
Treat us unfairly, don't know us, don't care.
Most of them are intimidated by them but some disrespect them.
Sit on their bums all day on their high horse.
I don't think they like them.
They are trying to always catch people and say they've committed them as well.
I think they think that they're mean.
Horrible. Stereotype people.
That they could be unfair.
Against young people.
Scary, unapproachable.
That they're no fun.
Overall, pretty afraid of them, and feel like they'll be in trouble even if innocent.
That they're evil.
Young people think that Police think young people are trouble.
They're stupid.
They think that the Police arrest many people and young people can think that the Police are against them.
Rubbish.
They are strict and horrible.
Not nice.
Scary!
Suspicious for Police being bad.
It depends on the 'type' of person. I think many trust the Police although others maybe don't respect them enough.
That they are a waste of time because they get them in trouble.
That they're horrible.
If they respect me I'll respect them.
Don't like them because of how they talk down to us.
If they respect me I'll respect them.
Negative, suspicious, harsh and unreasonable.
Bad because they do not feel that they trust them.
I can say from first hand opinion and from others point of view that most are intimidated of them and don't see them as people to collaborate with and as someone to ask for assistance.
That if we see them they will approach us.
They don't like them.
Piece of rubbish.
They are annoying.
Annoying. People do respect them but not as far as the Police probably want.
Not friendly.
They're ok. No contact.
They're going to arrest us all.
Handsome, polite, well behaved, not naughty, do the right thing.
Don't like them.
They don't particularly like them and just want to get them into trouble. Personally, I respect the Police but young people who have been in trouble with them before choose not to like them. That they should go catch real criminals like rapists. Not friendly. Intimidating. I feel a lot don't trust the Police enough. I think they find them slightly intimidating. Either they fear them or they think they are impotent. They may feel slightly intimidated, as a higher power with little positive interaction with the community. However I think most generally respect the Police.

Do you think the relationship between young people and the Police needs improving?

![Pie chart showing 82% agree, 11% disagree, and 7% unsure.]

How do you think the relationship between young people and the Police could be improved?

![Bar chart showing preferences for more interaction, greater understanding by young people, greater understanding by the Police, improved face to face communication, more visibility in schools, more visible and accessible, and more contact with young people.]

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Do you know your Rights?

Yes: 118
No: 375
Adult present: 274
Stop & Search: 51
Unanswered: 3