

Models of Policing

Criminal Justice

Five organising models, what each optimises for, and where each is weak.

Forces mix these; the labels describe emphasis, not exclusivity.

Model	Focus	Known limit
Professional	Rapid response, uniformity	Weak on prevention
Community	Trust and local priorities	Hard to measure output
Problem-oriented	Underlying conditions	Demanding to implement
Intelligence-led	Prolific offenders, data	Data quality drives it
Procedural justice	Fair process, legitimacy	Slow to show crime effects

Educational reference. No force operates one model purely; most policies combine several with different weight.