CO-OP RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation 1

A thematic review carried out by HM Inspectorate of Constabularies and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS) of forces response to retail crime and particularly abuse and violence toward shop workers violence

Recommendation 2

The Association of Police and Crime Commissioners and Police Chief Council should work collectively to deliver a more consistent, improved and effective response to retail crime including abuse and violence toward shop workers based on this Call for Evidence and developed further subject to any HMICFRS review

Recommendation 3

All Police and Crime Commissioners should include retail crime with a focus on abuse and violence toward shop workers in their Police and Crime Plans and should report against it annually

Recommendation 4

Resources available to police forces should reflect a greater priority for tackling retail crime and especially abuse and violence toward shop workers to deliver a more effective response

Recommendation 5

Government set ambitious targets to support the delivery of comprehensive coverage of business crime reduction partnership across England and Wales by 2025

Recommendation 6

Resources to be increased for the 101 system to ensure calls from businesses reporting urgent incidents are answered within a reasonable time frame.

Recommendation 7

A single portal for reporting incidents is created for national consistency where non urgent incidents can be reported

Recommendation 8

A specific offence for circumstances where a shop worker is attacked when carrying out the law in relation to age restricted sales and that that offence should be an aggravated one carrying longer sentences

Recommendation 9

A review of sentencing guidelines for assaults on shop workers which are not relate to age-restricted sales with a view to longer custodial sentences being handed down

Recommendation 10

Government engage with businesses to understand and develop effective ways for businesses to use their assets to help individuals, groups and communities