Police Scotland need your help in planning ahead

Police Scotland are launching a survey this morning which they need you to complete online, and which will help them prioritise their planning for the next three years.

The online survey aims to give people in Edinburgh the opportunity to shape policing in the Capital in the future.

The Edinburgh Policing Plan 2014-2017 will outline the approach that will be taken in communities across the Capital, based on local priorities.

Police want people who live and work in the city to have their say on the plan, and are making contact with community groups, businesses and other organisations in order to canvass views.

The consultation process gets underway today with the launch of the online survey, which can be accessed through the following link https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/EdinburghLocalPolicePlan2014-17

There will also be a series of community sessions held across all city neighbourhoods later this year, as well as a stakeholder summit.

Superintendent Matt Richards, from Police Scotland, said: "The policing plan will be fundamental to our approach to policing Edinburgh over the period 2014-2017, and it is vital that people play their part in helping to inform the content of the plan.

"The online survey is a great opportunity for people to have their say in how policing is delivered in the Capital, and we

want as many as possible to get involved, so that we can shape our plans around what is important to local communities.

"Policing our communities and keeping people safe are enduring priorities for Police Scotland, and we are committed to ongoing engagement with those who live and work in Edinburgh as we follow a common path to make our communities safer and stronger."

Cllr Mike Bridgman, Convener of the Interim Police and Fire Committee, said:- "We welcome the opportunity residents are being given to comment on the new plan. It is important now that we further develop partnership working with Police Scotland, particularly in the area of community policing."