

Improving Policing with Research

For public benefit

We exist to improve policing for the public through promoting the **use, production** and **communication** of the best available research

Use

Providing resources to build knowledge and skills to help use research findings in everyday policing.



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Produce

Supporting police and their partners with resources to help them produce their own useful research.



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Communicate

Fostering a community of practice and amplifying the evidence-informed work police do.



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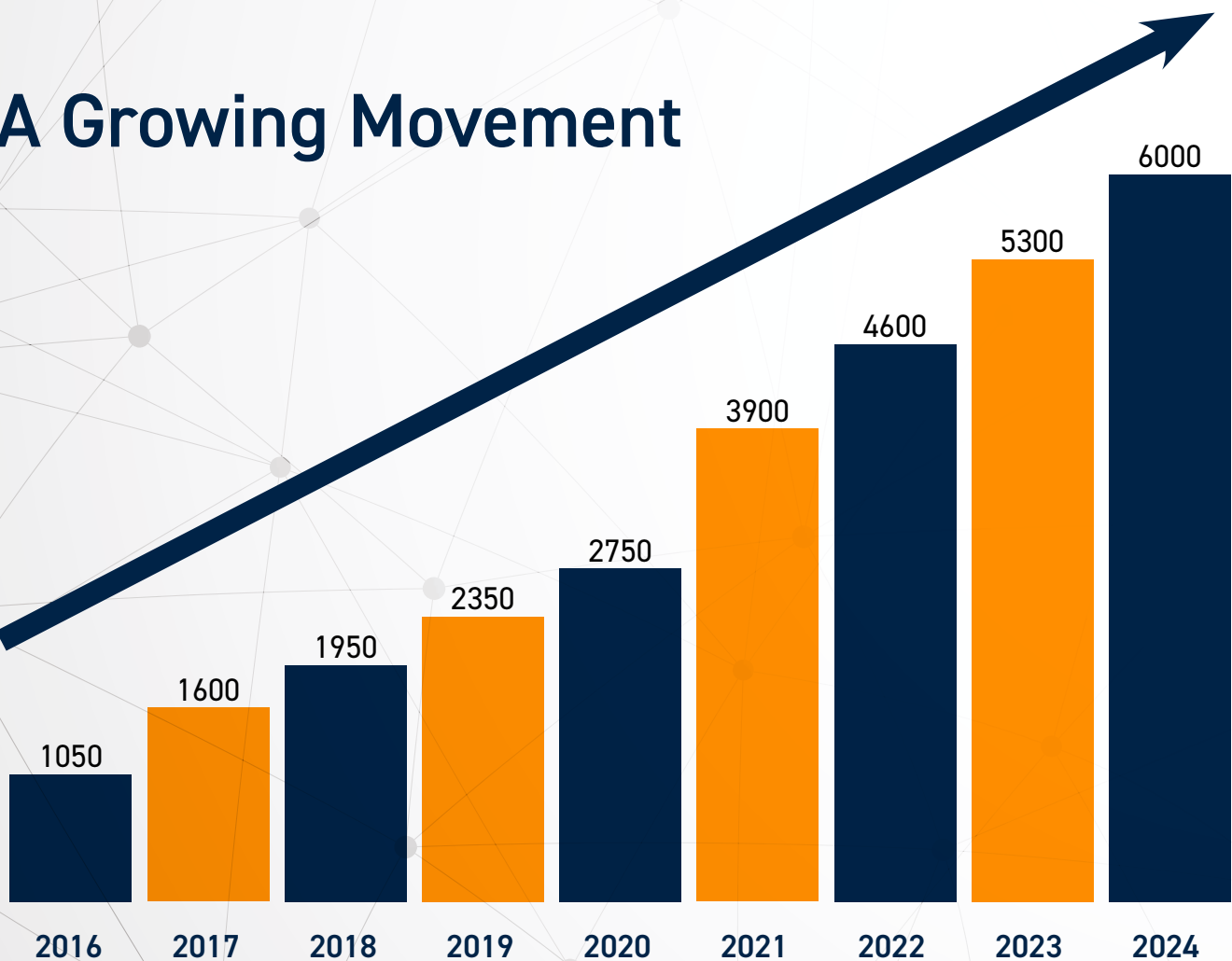


“When I first learned about Evidence Based Policing I was 16 years into my policing career. If I had known about it earlier, it would have made a huge impact on the difference I could have made for the public every day. I started SEBP because I didn’t want other officers to find themselves in the same position I was.

Alex Murray OBE
Director, National Crime Agency
Former T/Chief Constable West Mercia Police

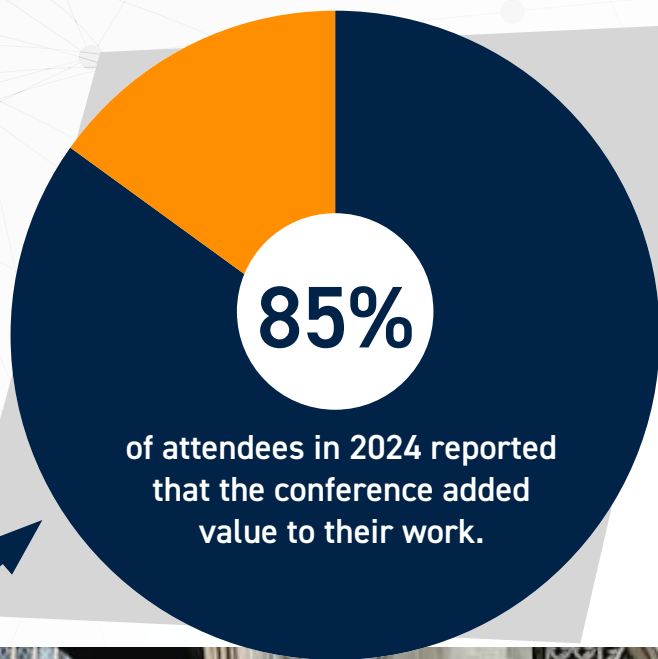


A Growing Movement



Building a **community** of **practice**

The first decade of our story has centred on connecting people who have curiosity for how research can help them do their jobs in better ways. Our flagship event is a national conference, which has been connecting police officers and staff with academics, businesses, and charities from around the world since 2012. The connections made and the knowledge gained at these events make a real difference.



Our team of Trustees, Volunteers and Staff at SEBP2024



In 2025, our online Member's Hub began to connect our members to each other and to our suite of up to date resources on a daily basis.

Evidence Based Policing in action

The question was, “Could we improve our service to domestic abuse victims by providing an optional immediate video response from a specially trained police officer rather than scheduling a delayed face-to-face police visit?”



Modern policing is full of problems.

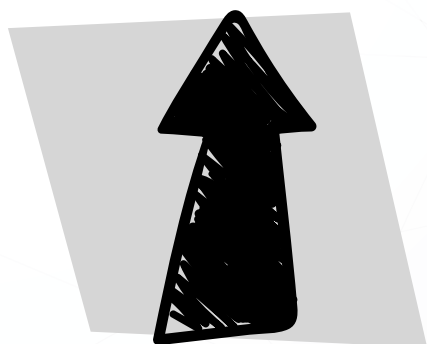
One is being able to give victims the service they need promptly.

Call volumes are rising and cases are getting more complex. This was the challenge Eastern Region Innovation Network manager Stacey Rothwell took on in.

Stacey's proposal was controversial. Guidelines call for officers to attend some types of call in all cases. There was concern about what might happen if an officer didn't go. Would victims in these cases be less happy with the serve?

Research provided some answers.

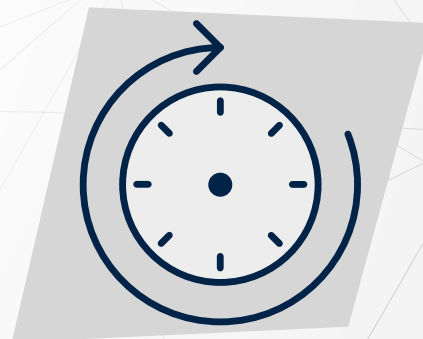
Stacey led a randomised experiment where some non-emergency callers received an immediate appointment with a police officer via online video and others got the usual service. The results told their own story.



11%
higher victim satisfaction



Time to see an officer down
from 33 hours to just
3 minutes



83 minutes
officer time
saved per case

Evidence Based Policing

A Grassroots Movement with International Impact

SEBP may have been founded in the UK but the evidence based policing movement is global and Societies have been formed in Australia and New Zealand, Canada, the Netherlands and the USA.

In 2024, the respective societies agreed to form a global coalition to champion the role of applied research in policing. The Global Collaboration on Evidence Based Policing seeks to build international networks and expand the scope of impact to new countries and new sectors of the policing community.



Support **the mission**

We have big ambitions for improving policing.

By 2029, our aims are to:

- **Expand our membership** to reach a critical mass of the UK policing profession.
- **Deliver high quality resources and training** at the lowest possible cost (preferably free).
- **Strengthen our partnerships** with police and government agencies, the private, university and charity sectors supporting policing, and the public.

If we're going to be successful, we need as much help as we can get.

Our work depends on our volunteers, who all come from within the policing community. They're supported by a small team of paid employees. There's a lot to do and we invite you to join us in the effort.

Here's how you can help:

1



Financially

Through donations and sponsorship to fund growth and innovation of our services

2



Benefits in Kind

Partner with us collaborate on our activities to champion evidence based policing

3



Spread the word

Advocate for evidence based practice in your organisation

4



Join us

Become a member for free or volunteer to join the team

Contact us



...or
join
us!



The Chairs of the global Societies of Evidence Based Policing, Melbourne, Australia, 2024.



Our partners

