

Dr Tara Deshpande

Tara Deshpande leads the Crime Insight and Assessment team within the Home Office's Crime and Policing Knowledge Hub. The Crime and Policing Knowledge Hub was set up to develop the Home Office's understanding of what is happening in crime and policing, and the work of Tara's team includes the analysis of crime trends and statistics, analytical work to provide insight into policy questions for teams across the Home Office's Crime, Policing and Fire Group, and most recently the publication of the Modern Crime Prevention Strategy. Tara holds a PhD in American Literature and Culture from the University of Leeds.

Dr John Larsen



John is Director of Evidence and Impact and joined Drinkaware in 2014 to strengthen the organisational commitment to being evidence based. He has a track record of developing organisational outcomes frameworks and leading innovative research, working in collaboration with academics and facilitating public research involvement. John has a background as a medical anthropologist and was previously Head of Research and Evaluation at the charity Rethink Mental Illness. He is an Associate Editor of the Mental Health Review Journal and a Visiting Researcher at the Department of Health Service and Population Research within the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London.

Peter Moyes (Chair)



Currently the Chief Executive Officer for Life Skills Education C.I.C who are the sole licensed provider of drug abuse resistance education (D.A.R.E) in the UK. Over 360,000 young people have graduated from the D.A.R.E primary programme. He is also currently the Chair of the board of trustees of the Royal Lifesaving Society, the UK's leading drowning prevention charity and director of its two trading subsidiaries. As a consequence of his work in leading water safety education he is also Chair of the Search and Rescue Inland consultative committee. An avid user and commissioner of research into interventions to reduce crime, disorder and education which has equipped him well in his role as Independent advisor to the Economic and Social Research Council grant award panel. However, Peter's focus for over 35 years was policing, retiring from Nottinghamshire Police in 2010 as the Assistant Chief Constable responsible for crime and partnerships.

He subsequently became the Director of the Nottingham Crime and Drugs Partnership between 2010 and 2014.

During this time the partnership was successful in reducing ASB by over 50% and saw crime levels drop significantly through the innovative use of analysis and research and the targeted use of evidenced based interventions. He was also responsible for drawing together the commissioning arrangements for all domestic violence services, and drug and alcohol treatment services in the Nottingham City area. A career spanning across public, private, and voluntary sectors with a consistent theme of dealing with early intervention, education, prevention, and enforcement in crime, antisocial behaviour, drugs and water safety.

Unsurprisingly Peter spends his recreational time in and around water and currently holds a World masters record in the line throwing event.

Professor Ken Pease, OBE



Originally a forensic psychologist, Ken is currently Visiting Professor and Fellow at UCL and at Loughborough University. Before retirement he held chairs at the Universities of Manchester and Saskatchewan, and acted as Head of the Home Office Police Research Group. During 2013 he was presented with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Environmental Criminology Association and a commendation from the Chief Constable of West Yorkshire Police for assistance with that force's Operation Optimal. His two most recent books are *Using Modelling to Predict and Prevent Victimisation* (New York: Springer, 2014 (with Andromachi Tseloni)) and *Self-Selection Policing* (London: Palgrave 2016 (with Jason Roach)).