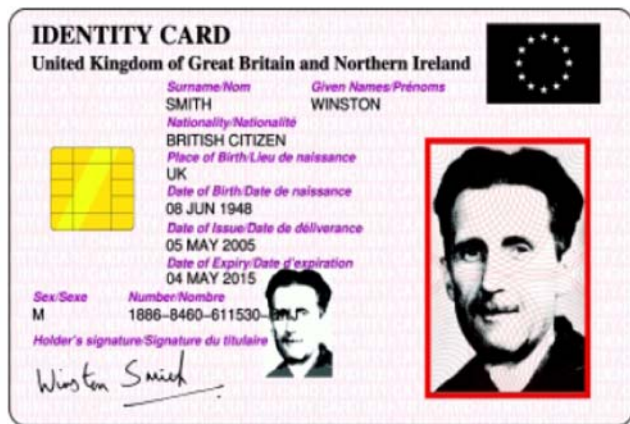


Labour thinks a piece of plastic that costs you £170 will cut crime. We don't.



Labour think more plastic.



We think more community police.



We think police cut crime, not plastic
Scottish Liberal Democrats.

Five ways to cut crime in Scotland, starting in May 2007.

1. **1,000 more community police officers, where and when you need them.** We will fund at least 2 additional community police officers in every council ward in Scotland; visible policing on the beat in your neighbourhood.
2. **Tougher community sentences.** Very short term prison sentences simply reinforce offending behaviour. We will replace them with tougher community sentences. We will give offenders skills for work, not crime.
3. **Crack down on knife crime.** We will introduce maximum seven years combined custody and community sentences. Tougher, but with more focus on the reasons behind the offending to cut down on this menace.
4. **Involve young people to cut youth crime.** We will build on the effective approach in New York and establish Youth Panels that allow young people themselves to be involved in judging and changing the behaviour of young people before it develops further.
5. **Replace Scottish Prison Service with a new Scottish Custody and Rehabilitation Service.** We will end the prison service as we know it and transform it into a prison and community based Custody and Rehabilitation Service. We will modernise further the prison estate so it is fit for purpose in cutting crime.



We think your area should be safer.
Scottish Liberal Democrats.