



The World Class Policing Awards 2019

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New Zealand Police Win World Class Policing Award For Saving Half A Million Police Officer Hours

New Zealand Police has won a prestigious World Class Policing Award for developing online resources which have saved 500,000 officer hours and slashed paperwork.

The force beat off competition from 54 finalists, drawn from more than 100 outstanding entries from across the globe, to win a trophy at the new event recognising outstanding police work worldwide.

The force's 'Mobility' programme uses smartphones and apps to help frontline officers get access to and share the latest information on police procedure and to react quickly to developing events and incidents.

It's seen a huge reduction in the time officers used to spend processing information at stations, meaning they have more time to actively police their communities and can make decisions in real-time with the latest information, policies and procedures at their fingertips.

Since the programme was introduced in 2013, more than 40 million people, vehicles, locations, items and organisation queries have been carried out through 10,500 devices.

It's seen huge productivity gains of at least 30 minutes per officer per shift – totalling over half a million hours per year, hours which are redirected into prevention-focused activities.

One part of the programme, the CheckPoint App, was introduced in the hours following the terrorist attack in Christchurch in March 2019.

It provided officers with quick access to content on policy, procedure and religious protocols to support them making visits to educational facilities, places of worship and gun clubs and ranges.

Another application has replaced a 13-page long paper form.

The programme was developed in partnership with Smudge and Vodafone and required no additional officer training.

Judges commented this was a "truly impressive programme".

A spokesman for the Judges added: "This is an incredibly strong application. An interesting and innovative concept showing how IT can and should be used across the criminal justice sector. An



exceptional piece of work delivering outcomes to keep a country as safe as possible – Awesome work.”

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The Awards specifically recognise and celebrate the collaborative nature of policing - whether that is a brilliant investigation, a business change project or a multi-agency partnership - in delivering the most effective and efficient way to protect our communities and keep them safe.

Attendees at the Awards – which took place at the Grosvenor Hotel in Park Lane, London - included Chief Police officers from across the Globe as well as winners, their partners and sponsors. They were presented by experienced broadcaster Jeremy Vine.

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 - The inaugural World Class Policing Awards took place 14 November, at the Grosvenor Hotel in Park Lane, London. Six winners were announced at the ceremony, one of which was named the overall winner. There were also six commendations.
 - The 54 finalists were selected from over 100 entries received from UK and overseas police forces.
 - The World Class Policing Awards are led by a Steering Committee experienced in policing and managing projects in the police sector, as well as expertise in running successful police events: Stephen Kavanagh QPM, former Chief Constable of Essex Police and Chair of the World Class Policing Awards Steering Committee, Paul Leeks, MD of Glasgows - the awards and events specialists who have delivered the Bravery Awards for the Police Federation of England and Wales for the past eight years, Allan Fairley, UK Public Safety MD for Accenture and Chair of techUK's Justice & Emergency Services Committee, Ian Barrett - CoPaCC Director and publishing professional in the police sector with experience developing and delivering the Police Review Gala Awards and Bernard Rix, Publisher of Policing Insight.
 - The awards are supported by the [National Police Chiefs Council \(NPCC\)](#), the [Police Federation of England & Wales \(PFEW\)](#), the [Police Superintendents Association \(PSA\)](#), the [College of Policing \(CoP\)](#), the [Police ICT Company \(PICTCo\)](#) and [Tech UK](#).
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