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## Only one Police Station in eight is open all hours.

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Only 13 per cent of police stations - about one in eight - are open to the public 24 hours a day, a survey by The Daily Telegraph of the 43 forces in England and Wales has disclosed.

The figure includes the total for the Metropolitan Police, which has the highest number and proportion of stations open around the clock. When the Met is removed, the total falls to nine per cent. The non-Met average is three stations open all hours per force

18 Forces, including North Wales - have no stations open at all times.

Chief constables - invariably citing economic necessity and the use of phones to contact police - have reduced opening hours in recent years. Police chiefs claim that the public does not suffer because there is still an all-hours response by officers in stations that may not be open to the public all the time.

The PPP continually state..." Where are all our Police Officers"... they are not manning highway patrol cars and they are not manning Police stations 24 hours a day. Our surveys and personal experience shows that again that they are only rarely patrolling our towns and villages. So what are they doing. Why don't our myriad elected representatives ASK this question for US. We and they can then decide if that is what we want (need) them to do.

One of our Early bulletins (below) covered the loss of one station in Penmaenmawr, we would like to hear about similar stories.

Race body's new base ...... June 8th 2004 ...... Daily Post NORTH Wales Race Equality Network yesterday unveiled its first permanent home - the former Police station at Penmaenmawr, where it will be based for the next 10 years.





The 'Old' Real Pen. Police Station/house .......and the Sign in the window!

The wheels were set in motion when Deputy Chief Constable Clive Wolfendale met the race equality network members to discuss diversity issues. They mentioned problems regarding accommodation and the police agreed to give NWREN and the Commission for Racial Equality a base in the former station, rent-free.

Chief Constable Richard Brunstrom promised to do more to tackle race crime as he symbolically handed the keys. He said: "We are very serious in this, very very serious indeed. We still have a long way to go, but we think we're very firmly moving in the right direction. We are doing the right thing."

Chair Susheela Lourie said: "We are delighted to have a permanent base, which gives the organisation a higher profile and added status."



The 'New' Police cubicle attached to the library

This is another example of Brunstrom's lack of commitment to Real Community Policing. Who gives them the Authority to give away public assets? Needless to say the Daily Post didn't see the need to comment!