BOOKING IN



You will be taken to a charging desk where you will be told why you have been arrested and why you need to be detained.



You will be asked questions about yourself and any medical conditions you may have. You will also be risk assessed.



You will be asked if you want to: i) tell someone you have been arrested ii) talk to a solicitor. An Appropriate Adult may also be called.



You will have to hand over personal items (i.e. wallet, mobile phone, shoes or laces, belt and watch). You will also be searched.



PROCESSING



You may have to do a Smartwater test. The lights will be turned off and a UV light will come on to check for Smartwater.



You will be asked to record an image of your fingerprints and palm using a machine.
These will help identify who you are.



You may have to give a DNA sample from inside your mouth. A sample of saliva may also be taken to check for illegal drugs.



You may have a photograph or video image taken of you. This will help others identify you.



DURING DETENTION



You will be kept in a police cell. A detention officer will visit you and ask if you need food, a drink, or to see a doctor.



You may be kept in the cell overnight. You can only be detained for up to 24 hours unless an extension has been approved.



You may need to be examined by a doctor or nurse to check for injuries, to talk about your health or to take more samples.



You may talk to a solicitor on the phone or in person. If you did not ask for a solicitor, you can request one at any time.



INTERVIEW



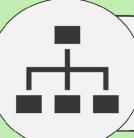
You may be taken to a room to be asked questions. If you have a solicitor and Appropriate Adult they can be with you.



You will be read your rights and cautioned. This explains what can be used in evidence against you in court.



You will be asked about the suspected offence and what happened. Your solicitor may advise you how to answer.



You will then be charged, released under investigation, issued an out of court disposal or released without charge.

