



Forget the victims, save all your sympathy for the poor overworked police: BBC

The BBC report on Dame Elish Angiolini's independent review ["Report of the Independent Review into the Investigation and Prosecution of Rape in London"](#) with the classic headline

Rape investigations 'overwhelming burden' on Met Police

According to the BBC, the report includes 46 recommendations, which address areas including resourcing, improved training, enhanced victim care and changing the law regarding alcohol and consent.

How ridiculous of me to care about the victims of rape and sexual assault suffering under a system where:

- decisions on whether to charge people were often being made by officers without any advice from the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS), which the author described as "of concern"
- the system risks being "overwhelmed" by increased reporting of rape

Of course, the people I should really be concerned about are the police to whom those victims report.