

Funding the Future

Surely we can now see the importance of justice being d...

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It was a year ago, [almost to the day, that the Guardian](#) reported:

The Ministry of Justice is to make a £2bn cut in its £9bn annual budget, senior officials have been told today, raising union fears that the jobs of 15,000 of the department's 80,000 staff could be at risk.

Courts have closed in many places.

The process of justice has slowed.

The capacity of our country to handle crime has been reduced.

Surely today the folly of this action can be seen.

Surely we can now see how important it is that justice be delivered in the communities where people live.

Surely we can see how important it is that we invest in justice being done?

Surely?