During consultation for the MOPAC Business Crime Strategy, it was made clear by business and law enforcement colleagues that the plethora of bodies with an interest in business crime was confusing. Providing one unique and shared resource offering business education, security and business resilience skills will help businesses better protect themselves from online threats.

The London Digital Security Centre (LDSC) will be the 'go to' resource providing the latest cyber industry guidance for all sizes of businesses, but providing particular support to SMEs. It will provide a suite of core subsidised digital services to small businesses through working with the private sector and in collaboration with UK universities, who are providing ethical hacking and digital forensic students to support the initiative.

The LDSC will offer the following services to SMEs from May 2015:

- external penetration testing,
- internal testing,
- supply chain resilience testing,
- individual digital footprint reports,
- roadshows, seminars and online advice with partners at local level, including both open and specific themed advice surgeries,
- calendar of themed communications on various aspects of cyber resilience.

## LDSC activities will be overseen by:

- an advisory panel of small businesses, technical security companies, trade bodies, Government departments and universities, and
- a police/MOPAC board comprising the Metropolitan Police Service, The City of London Police, National Crime Agency and MOPAC.

For further information see <u>LDSC Factsheet JAN 2015</u>.

Additional information about the MOPAC's Business Crime Strategy can be viewed <u>here</u>.