

Cheshire Police and Crime Panel

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Cheshire's Police and Crime Panel is made up of ten elected Councillors representing the four Cheshire Local Authorities, (Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester, Halton and Warrington) plus three independent co-opted members who serve a three-year term, which can be renewed. Independent co-opted members are specially recruited and selected for their skills and the experience that they can bring to the work of the Panel.

The Panel's collective role is to challenge and support the Police and Crime Commissioner. This responsibility is mandated by an Act of Parliament and funded by the UK Government. We fulfil this mandate as a key and relevant partner; part of the team policing family striving to "Make Cheshire Safer".

We Will:

- Authorise an effective and challenging Police and Crime Plan designed to constantly improve prevention and policing across Cheshire.
- Through efficient, effective scrutiny and monitoring, ensure the effective delivery and outcomes are achieved as set out in the Cheshire Police and Crime Plan.
- Approve the most effective individual for the post of Chief Constable for Cheshire when the Commissioner has selected his or her preferred candidate.
- Review the Commissioner's chosen candidate for Deputy Commissioner and for senior members of his or her staff, making recommendations as to their suitability.
- Work with the Commissioner to ensure that Cheshire Police are effectively and efficiently resourced. This will be done through the Commissioner working with the Police in setting an annual policing precept which is presented to the Panel for final approval in February each year.
- Administer the arrangements for non-criminal complaints made against the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire (and Deputy Commissioner, when appointed); together with other complaints and conduct matters referred to the Panel by the Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC).