

## **The Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC)**

The following information is taken from the APCC website, which contains extensive resources about its role and PCCs across the country: <http://apccs.police.uk/>

The Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC) is a company limited by guarantee. The APCC services are overseen and directed by the Chairman and board of Directors.

The APCC offers the following services to PCCs:

- Information on national policing policy issues and legislation.
- Consults PCCs to enable them to develop policy positions and to influence change.
- Facilitates the leadership of PCCs on national governance structures such as the College of Policing, National Crime Agency and Police Professional Bodies.
- Assists PCCs in collaborating to share practice, procure services, and identify ways to achieve efficiencies through working together.

## **Why is a national body to represent PCCs needed?**

It is by coming together that PCCs will be best able to influence change. A national body helps PCCs make the most of their ability to influence at a national level, and deliver on their manifesto promises. PCCs have an important contribution to make to how national policing services are governed, such as the National Crime Agency and the Police Professional Body. The APCC supports PCCs in providing this leadership at a national level. By sharing best practice and identifying opportunities to work together, or paying for services jointly, the APCC helps PCCs be more efficient and effective. If PCCs identify barriers to delivering their local plans, the APCC takes co-ordinated action that can help remove barriers at a national level.

## **Who are members of APCC?**

All 41 PCCs are members of APCC. The governing bodies which oversee the non-geographic police forces (British Transport Police, Civil Nuclear Constabulary, and the Ministry of Defence Police), the City of London Police and the Mayor's Office for

Policing and Crime (overseeing the Metropolitan Police) are also be members of the APCC. They provide considerable strength in numbers.

### **How are services provided by the APCC?**

The APCC is supported by a small, focused team of policing policy professionals with a wide range of experience of representing the interests of local police governance bodies at a national level.

### **For more information**

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