

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2012-031	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Joint Engagement Strategy
Summary	To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the adoption of the Joint Engagement Strategy.

DECISION

1. The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 requires the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent to obtain the views of the community, and in particular the views of victims of crime, about matters concerning policing in Gwent. In addition, the Commissioner is also required to obtain the views of local people and victims of crime before issuing the Police and Crime Plan and the police precept (the police part of local Council Tax).
2. The Commissioner also has a responsibility to hold the Chief Constable to account for the effectiveness and efficiency of the arrangements for engaging with local people. Since 2006 there has been a joint Engagement Strategy in place between the Force and the precursor organisation to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.
3. The Strategy is supported by the National Principles for Public Engagement in Wales and a set of minimum engagement standards we will comply with.
4. The Joint Engagement Strategy was initially discussed at the Strategy & Performance Board on the 13th December 2012 where it was agreed further discussion would take place at the Strategic Planning Group on the 19th December 2012.
5. After discussion at the Strategic Planning Group, I am satisfied that the Joint Engagement Strategy meets my statutory responsibility to obtain the views of the public and to hold the Chief Constable to account and have therefore decided to adopt the Strategy.

Ian Johnston QPM, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent

My decision is as I have recorded in this paper

Signed

Ian Johnston

Date

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