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HERTFORDSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

Appointment of an Independent Member to the Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel

Do you live or work in Hertfordshire? Would you like the opportunity to have an input into the scrutiny of policing in the county?

We are looking for a member of the public to serve as an independent member on the Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel. The Panel plays a key role in scrutinising the performance of the elected Hertfordshire Police and Crime Commissioner and promotes openness in the delivery of policing throughout Hertfordshire. Independent members sit alongside Councillors representing Broxbourne, North Herts, East Herts, Stevenage, Three Rivers, St Albans, Dacorum, Watford, Welwyn Hatfield and Hertsmere Councils in addition to Hertfordshire County Council.

Applications are invited from individuals from whatever background who feel that they have the skills, knowledge and experience to undertake this role. An understanding of community safety, policing and criminal justice issues would be helpful, but experience in other areas could be equally relevant. The attached Terms of Reference very briefly outlines the responsibilities of the Panel; you may find it helpful to address these responsibilities when you tell the Panel about yourself and the skills and experience you could bring to its work.

The Panel wishes to reflect the breadth of communities in Hertfordshire and welcomes applications from all eligible people irrespective of gender, ethnic origin, religious belief, sexual orientation, disability or age.

As can be seen from the attached Terms of Reference, the role of a Panel member is an important and demanding one. The Commissioner is required to consult with the Panel on his Police and Crime Plan and the level of Council Tax he wishes to set for the Police each year. The Panel are also consulted over the appointment of senior staff in the Commissioner's Office and on his chosen candidate for the position of Chief Constable. Panel members could expect to attend 6 to 8 meetings a year, this includes a number of informal meetings with the Commissioner and training events.

Meetings which predominantly take place in the evening, may be held in any of the Council offices in Hertfordshire. Panel members are able to claim reasonable travel expenses. Induction and training will be provided. The appointment is for an initial period of four years.

For further information on the role of Independent Panel members please contact:

• Nathalie Boateng – <u>Nathalie.boateng@broxbourne.gov.uk</u>

Details about the Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel can be found on its website at:

http://www.hertspcp.org.uk/

To apply please submit your CV and outline what skills and experience you would bring to the work of the Hertfordshire Police and Crime Panel. In your application, please include your postal address and contact telephone number. Your CV and any supporting material should be no more than four A4 pages.

The information you provide, may be shared with members of the Police and Crime Panel and Officers from the 11 Hertfordshire local authorities, the information will be treated as confidential, with addresses, phone numbers and any other sensitive information being redacted when appropriate. The information you provide will not be published without your permission.

The closing date for applications is 5.00pm on Friday 5 May 2023. Interviews will be held in Broxbourne the week commencing on 15 May 2023.

Applications should be submitted to:

pcp@broxbourne.gov.uk

or

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