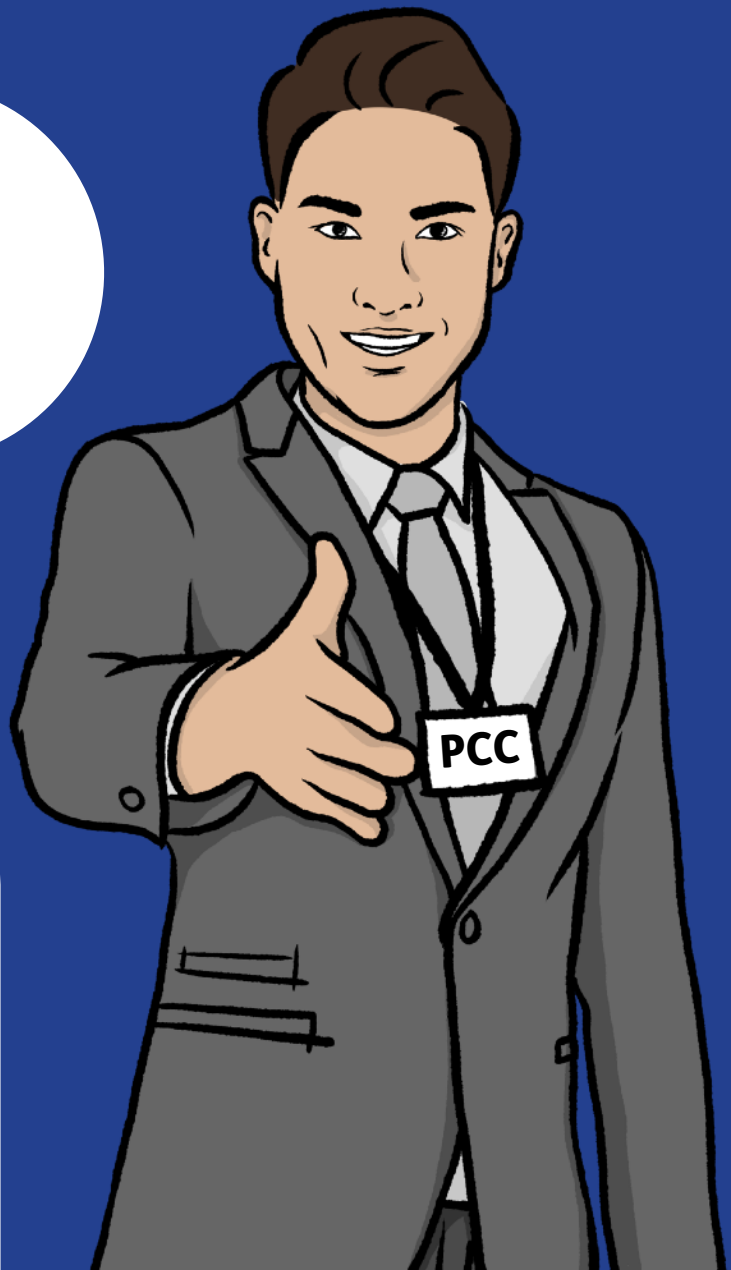




# Information about Police Crime Commissioners in Wales



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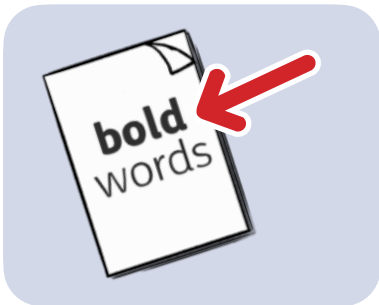
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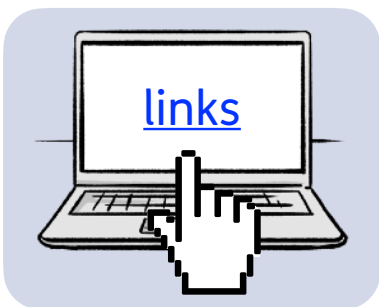
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# About this booklet



This booklet is about **Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs)** in Wales.



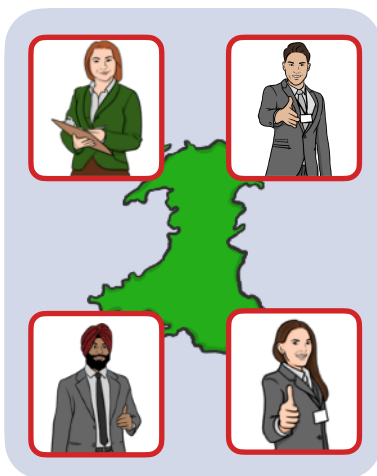
A **Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)** manages the police service in a certain area.



This booklet will tell you more about PCCs in Wales and what they do.

# Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) in Wales

There are 4 police services in Wales. Each police service has a PCC:



- 1 for the Dyfed-Powys police service.
- 1 for the Gwent police service.
- 1 for the North Wales police service.
- 1 for the South Wales police service.



People vote for who they want the PCC for the police service in their area to be.



Every police service also has a **Chief Constable**.

The **Chief Constable** leads the police service day to day.

# What do Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) do?



Remember, a PCC manages the police service in a certain area.



PCCs have 4 main tasks:

1. Decide what the police service needs to work on.



2. Decide what the police service should spend money on.



3. Check that the Chief Constable of the police service is doing their job well.



4. Listen to what people think about the police service in their area.

## How do Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) do their tasks?

To make sure they do their 4 main tasks, PCCs:



- Think about what people have told them when they make decisions about the police service.



- Write a Police and Crime plan which explains what the police service will work on.



- Decide how much of people's council tax goes to the police service.

To make sure they do their 4 main tasks, PCCs also:



- Work with other organisations to stop crime.



- Make sure Chief Constables and their police service are working well.



- Decide who should be the Chief Constable.



- Look at complaints that people have made about the police service.



- Give money to safety services and projects.



To make sure they do their 4 main tasks, PCCs also:



- Make sure everyone gets to have a say about the police, including groups of people who are often ignored.



- Make sure the police service is spending money on the right things.

# How is a Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) different to a Chief Constable?



The PCC of an area is voted for by people and makes a plan for the police service to follow in an area.



The Chief Constable makes sure this plan happens in the area and is being followed by the police service.



The Chief Constable is also in charge of making sure the police service is stopping crime day to day.

# What other groups are involved in police services?

## Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC)



Every PCC has a team who helps them do their work.



The team is called the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner.



Every person in the team has a different job.

# Police and Crime Panel



Police and Crime Panels are groups of people who check that PCCs are working well and making the right decisions.



Every police service in Wales has a Police and Crime Panel.



PCCs must also talk to Police and Crime Panels about important decisions.

# Policing in Wales



Sometimes all the different police service leaders, like PCCs and Chief Constables, have to meet together.



This is so that they can talk about big issues that are a problem for all of Wales.



Policing in Wales is the name we use for all of these police service leaders together.

# Find out more

If you want to find out more, you can look at the website of the police service for your area:



- Dyfed-Powys police service:  
[www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk](http://www.dyfedpowys-pcc.org.uk)



- Gwent police service:  
[www.gwent.pcc.police.uk](http://www.gwent.pcc.police.uk)



- North Wales police service:  
[www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk)



- South Wales police service:  
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