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POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER



Police & Crime Plan 2013-2018

Key Messages: Easy Read

1. Foreword and Vision

- I am Vera and people voted for me to be Police and Crime Commissioner.
- This is my plan to tell you what we will do about crime.
- Crime has fallen but I still want the police to work hard.



2. What does the Police and Crime Commissioner do?

- My job is to bring the police and people together.
- I do this by finding out what is important to you and then making sure the police do it.
- I am helped by a Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner and small team of staff.



3. The Police and Crime Panel

- Local councillors and members of the public check the work I do.



4. Our area at a Glance

- Northumbria is a large area and includes Gateshead, Newcastle, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside and Sunderland.
- There are many different people who live in Northumbria and I will try to make sure everyone's policing needs are met.



5. Shaping the Plan

- I have listened to lots of people to help me decide what should be in the plan.
- This includes disabled people.



6. Police and Crime Objectives

- The plan has 5 important things. These are:
 - Putting victims first
 - Dealing with anti-social behaviour
 - Domestic and sexual abuse
 - Cutting crime
 - Making people feel safe



Putting Victims First

- Why is this important?
 - Being a victim of crime can stop you from feeling safe and can make you unhappy.
- How we will listen to victims of crime:
 - We will talk to and listen to people who are victims of crime. This will help us improve our services.
 - We want you to tell us if you are a victim so that we can help you.
 - Please tell us if you are a victim of crime or anyone else is.
 - We promise to keep in touch with you.



Dealing with Anti-Social Behaviour

- Why is this important?
 - Anti-social behaviour can affect and upset everyone.
- How we will deal with anti-social behaviour:
 - We want you to tell us if it is happening and we will try and stop the problem.
 - We will encourage people to come forward and report their concerns.



Domestic and Sexual Abuse

- Why is this important?
 - This kind of crime is often committed by partners or people you know.
- What we will do:
 - We want you to tell us about these crimes.
 - We will help and support you.



Cutting Crime

- Why is this important?
 - Because crime hurts people.
- How we will cut crime:
 - We will work with you to keep you safe.
 - The police will try and catch criminals and take them to court.



Making People Feel safe

- Why is this important?
 - We want people to feel safe.
- How we will make people feel safe:
 - We will listen to you and work on the things that concern you the most.
 - We will tell you how you can get in touch with your local police officers.
 - We will provide safe places where you can report crimes.

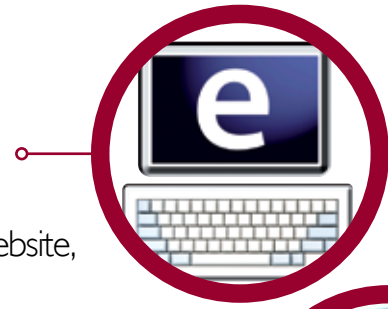


Making it Happen

- We will all work together to make this happen and talk to you to see how the plan is working.

Staying in Touch

- I want you to tell me how it is going by email, PCC website, Twitter and Facebook
- Email – enquiries@northumbria-pcc.gov.uk
- PCC Website – www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk
- Twitter – www.twitter.com/northumbriapcc
- Facebook – www.facebook.com/Vera.Baird.QC
- If you would like to write to me my address is – Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Victory House, Balliol Business Park, Benton lane, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE12 8EW.



Where does the money come from?

- I get my money from the Government and from your Council Tax.



Learn More

- If you want to learn more about anything in this 'easy read' document, the full plan is available on my website www.northumbria-pcc.gov.uk





Other Formats

You can request the plan in large print, Braille or another language by emailing enquiries@northumbria-pcc.gov.uk or by calling 0191 221 9800

