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CANDIDATES FOR THE NORTH WALES POLICE FORCE AREA

On 5th May, you will be able to vote for
your police and crime commissioner.

Find out who your local candidates are
and how to vote.



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About police and crime commissioners

On 5th May, you will be able to vote for your police and crime commissioner (PCC). The job of the PCC is to oversee the police and ensure that they are prioritising what matters to you. Elections will be taking place in England and Wales, excluding London and Greater Manchester.

Police and crime commissioners are elected by you to ensure the policing needs of your community are met as effectively as possible and to oversee how crime is tackled in your area.

40 PCCs will be elected across England and Wales (excluding London and Greater Manchester). The PCC in your area holds your police force to account for delivering the kind of policing you want to see. Their aim will be to cut crime and to ensure your police force is effective. PCCs bring a public voice to policing and they do this by:

- engaging with the public and victims of crime to help set police and crime plans;
- ensuring the police force budget is spent where it matters most; and
- appointing, and where necessary dismissing, the chief constable.

Work with others

PCCs also work with your council and other organisations to promote and enable joined up working on community safety and criminal justice.

The PCC does not 'run' the police force. Chief constables are responsible for the day to day operations of the police, but they are accountable to the public via the police and crime commissioner.

PCCs ensure an effective policing contribution alongside other partners to national arrangements to protect the public from other cross-boundary threats.

Represent the entire community

PCCs are required to swear an oath of impartiality when they are elected to office. The oath is designed so that PCCs can set out publicly their commitment to tackling their role with integrity. It reflects the commitment police officers make to serve every member of the public impartially and makes clear that they are there to serve the people, not a political party or any one section of their electorate.

Find your candidate

This booklet contains information on the candidates standing for election in North Wales police force area. You can also order a copy of this booklet in the following formats: large print, braille and audio.

To place your order visit **www.choosemypcc.org.uk** or call **0800 1070708**.

About your vote

You need to be registered to be able to vote.

If you are not registered visit **www.gov.uk/register-to-vote** or contact your local council.

If you are registered, and eligible to vote you can either vote in person at a polling station, by post, or by proxy (allowing someone you trust to vote on your behalf).

In this election you can vote for a first and second preference of who you want to win.

For more information about your vote and other elections taking place on 5th May visit **www.aboutmyvote.co.uk**

Owain Arfon Jones

Plaid Cymru – Former Police Inspector

Plaid Cymru



Election statement:

Arfon is a former North Wales Inspector from Harlech originally, who retired in 2008 after 30 years' as both a uniformed and plain clothes officer. This included time in Regional Crime Intelligence in Manchester and as Head of Child Protection for North Wales Police.

Arfon is a Wrexham Councillor and currently chairs the Community Health Council in Wrexham.

“As Police Commissioner my first job would be to carry out a review of core policing in North Wales. There are indications that over 60% of Police work is work that other agencies should be doing.

“Savings could be made by targeting resources more effectively, i.e. Youth Justice does excellent work but better resourcing could see them intervening earlier and diverting young people away from crime.

“A lot of money is wasted by arresting the most vulnerable in society. Jailing homeless veterans is self defeating. We need better partnership working to support the vulnerable.

“I will also campaign for better policing of protests and sporting events. Policing of such events does not always seem to be as impartial or proportionate as it should be.

“There should be more emphasis on roads policing to reduce those killed or seriously injured, particularly amongst young people.

“I would provide all frontline officers with ‘Body Worn Videos’ which would improve evidence gathering and secure more convictions, especially in ‘domestic violence’ cases. It would help resolve complaints against police.

“I would also pledge not to outsource police services and ensure that tendering for services benefits the economy of North Wales as far as is practicable.

“Finally, I would liaise closely and seek to negotiate with the National Offender Management Service regarding policing issues around the new prison in Wrexham.

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Julian Sandham

Independent



Election statement:

For over two years, I was the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner and this, combined with my previous experience as a Divisional Commander and Head of Criminal Justice qualifies me for the position. Due to my experience, I am the person best placed to hold the Chief Constable to account and to support the work of the police to ensure effectiveness for the people of North Wales. I have a track record of delivery. The recent achievement I am most proud of was leading the work which culminated in the setting up of the North Wales Victim Help Centre. I began my police career on the beat in Bangor. I was a police officer in North Wales for over 33 years, the last nine of which were as a Chief Superintendent.

I am not a member of a political party. If elected, I will represent you independent of party politics. I have no other allegiances – I will put the people of North Wales first every time.

My manifesto commitment is to work to ensure that people are secure in their homes and safe in public places. I want us to work together to have the safest communities it is possible to have.

If elected, I will: maintain a modern policing service, protect and help vulnerable people, prioritise neighbourhood policing, encourage effective partnerships and listen to what people tell me and act upon their concerns.

I understand policing. I want to maintain a visible police presence and the police stations we have across North Wales. I intend to campaign against the risk of further cuts.

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David James Taylor

Welsh Labour



Election statement:

I'm putting myself forward because North Wales needs a new crime plan and a Commissioner who supports officers on the frontline but is not part of the establishment.

I am honest about my politics and honest about the direction I will bring to the role:

CRACK DOWN ON ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

I'll do everything I can to keep policing visible and bring back the local bobby. More police and PCSOs on the streets make people feel safe and deter crime.

WAR ON DRUGS AND TRAFFICKING BY MANCHESTER AND MERSEYSIDE GANGS

Drugs are a huge problem in many of our towns and the A55 is being used for trafficking. I want the police to get tough on dealers who are blighting communities.

ZERO TOLERANCE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE

Failures of different agencies to share information has meant missed opportunities to protect vulnerable people in North Wales. I'll introduce better training and work more closely with others to identify victims earlier.

PROTECTING PEOPLE FROM SCAMS, FRAUDSTERS AND CYBERCRIME

I'll crack down on criminals who prey on older people - whether door-to-door, on the phone or online - and I'll create a North Wales Cyber School to help younger people guard against being exploited online.

SMARTER ROAD SAFETY

I'll work with Community Speed Watch groups to improve road safety and I'll review how cameras are used to best effect - I want to end the perception of unfairness in how speed controls are enforced.

A COMMISSIONER FOR EVERYONE

I'll make services more accessible. If a distressed person wants to report a crime in Welsh then they should get access to a fellow Welsh speaker immediately. I'll establish a new Countryside Crime Taskforce to improve rural policing.

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Simon Wall

UK Independence Party (UKIP)



Election statement:

I am Simon Wall, I was born in Bangor and raised on Anglesey. I feel privileged to live and work in North Wales.

I attended Bishop Grosseteste University Lincoln and trained as a teacher and received my postgraduate qualification (PGCE) through Nottingham Trent University. I taught in a residential unit before switching careers to become a police officer.

I returned to education and training, setting up my own training consultancy and worked in colleges, business training departments, the corporate sector as well as welfare to work and a range of other sectors.

Having seen the very best and the very worse of police culture I realise that if policing by consent is to be preserved here in the UK, things must radically change. Public image and public trust in our police are paramount and, therefore, I believe in a zero tolerance approach to dishonesty and corruption which seriously undermine the image and status of honest, professional and hardworking police officers and the police service.

I would pledge to ensure that people of North Wales have a police force that acts as public servants but command respect through professionalism, respect, integrity and honesty through all ranks. I would:-

- Give a 100% commitment to the role, not holding any other professional appointments/paid positions.
- Be accessible to the public to listen to your views on policing. To be visible, approachable and alert to the community.
- Develop a police and crime plan which addresses your community needs and priorities.
- Ensure community representation on key issues and communication between public and police.
- Address key public frustrations of reporting and recording all crimes.
- Seek ways to be cost effective, innovative and efficient.

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Matt Wright

Welsh Conservative Party Candidate



Election statement:

The Police and Crime Commissioner role is not about appointing another policeman to oversee the police. We already have a Chief Constable and excellent senior police officers. This role is about electing a public representative to champion public priorities for policing within tight budgets.

I live at Nannerch in Flintshire and have 28 years business and management experience to director level including as a senior consultant in the defence sector. I have been a county councillor in Flintshire for 12 years where I was a cabinet member for Economic Development and led on regeneration initiatives. I have worked closely with community organisations, including areas of deprivation, such as West Rhyl, as well as supporting neighbourhood watch schemes.

I have chaired and been on the board of directors of a number of public and private organisations in North Wales and have excellent contacts in the UK Government and Welsh Assembly.

I will ensure there is an effective, experienced team working with MPs, AMs and councillors, delivering:

Safer communities – more visible frontline officers on the beat with less bureaucracy and special constables for every town and village that wants one.

Safety partnerships – prioritise agencies working together effectively and making wise use of joint resources.

Safer homes and businesses – invest in technology and education to reduce danger online and improve measures against fraud and business crime.

Support for victims – increased support for victims to help them rebuild their lives and ensure offenders right their wrongs with a particular emphasis on drug rehabilitation and mental health issues.

National Security – with Holyhead port and major transport links I will ensure robust security and joint working on terrorism and international crime.

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Statement by the Police Area Returning Officer for North Wales

This booklet contains more information about those candidates (where provided) and other information useful to voters. The information provided by a candidate is their responsibility, and may not reflect the opinions of myself or my council.

As Police Area Returning Officer I am responsible for coordinating the election and announcing the result in North Wales.

Police and Crime Commissioner Elections will be held in North Wales on 5th May 2016; the candidates standing in that election, alphabetically by surname (as they will appear on the ballot paper), are:

- Jones, Owain Arfon (Plaid Cymru – Former Police Inspector)
- Sandham, Julian Bernard (Independent)
- Taylor, David James (Welsh Labour)
- Wall, Simon (UK Independence Party (UKIP))
- Wright, Matt (Welsh Conservative Party Candidate)

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