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MY PCC**

Candidates for the Surrey Police Force Area

On 6th 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 6th May, you will be able to vote for your Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC). The role of the PCC is to be the voice of the people and hold the police to account. Elections will be taking place in England and Wales. In London, Greater Manchester and West Yorkshire, there will be elections at the same time for Mayors who exercise PCC functions.

PCCs are responsible for the totality of policing in their force area and aim to cut crime and deliver an effective and efficient police service.

39 PCCs will be elected across England and Wales, of which 4 are also responsible for overseeing the fire and rescue authority for their area and are called Police, Fire and Crime Commissioners (PFCC) – these PFCCs are found in Essex, Staffordshire, North Yorkshire and Northamptonshire). There will also be 3 Mayors with PCC functions elected in London, Greater Manchester and West Yorkshire.

PCCs are elected by you and aim to cut crime and hold the force to account on behalf of the public. PCCs bring a public voice to policing, and they do this by:

- engaging with the public and victims of crime to help set the policing priorities for the area and consulting on their Police and Crime plans;
- ensuring the police force budget is spent where it matters most; and
- appointing the Chief Constable, holding them to account for delivery of their objectives and if necessary, dismissing them.

Work with others

PCCs, PFCCs and Mayors who exercise PCC functions also work with your council and other organisations to promote and enable joined up working on community safety and criminal justice.

The PCC, PFCC or Mayor who exercises PCC functions does not 'run' the police force or fire service. Chief Constables and Chief Fire Officers are operationally independent, and they 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, PFCCs and Mayors who exercise PCC functions are single, directly elected individuals ensuring the public are protected, providing greater opportunities for collaboration and more effective scrutiny of public services.

They ensure that there is an effective policing contribution to national partnership arrangements to protect the public from other national and cross-boundary threats.

Represent the entire community

PCCs, PFCCs and Combined Authority Mayors who exercise PCC functions are required to swear an oath of impartiality when they are elected to office.

The oath is designed so that they can publicly set out their commitment to: serve all of the people in their police force area; act with integrity and diligence; give a voice to the public; act with transparency so that they may be effectively held to account; and not interfere with the operational independence of police officers.

Find your candidate

This booklet contains information on the candidates standing for election in the Surrey 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 **0808 196 2170**.

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 6th May visit **www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter**

Kevin Hurley

Zero Tolerance Policing ex Chief



Election statement:

I have been in policing for 36 years. I have done it in London and Surrey. As well as rebuilding the police in Iraq and Afghanistan.

I've arrested jobs, burglars, investigated murders and planned for terrorist attacks. I have led thousands of police and managed big budgets. When it comes to policing, I've done it all.

I've been your PCC before; in the middle of large cuts in 2015, I redirected your money to ensure Surrey was the only force in the country to employ more police, not cut them. I used my media experience to energise national opposition to further cuts to policing. I believe in delivering value for money.

I know the business from top to bottom; how to reduce crime and how to use the money to put more police on the street. My knowledge gives me insights into how best to work with and support the Chief Constable, his teams and how to hold them to account for you.

I want to carry on what I've always done; keep people safe from Anti-Social Behaviour, Violent Bullies, Burglars and people who deal drugs to our Children and destroy Families. I want to put more visible police on the street and catch the criminals. I want to keep young people out of crime.

I am doing this because I live in Surrey and like you rely on them to protect and serve me. I know how to help them do that better.

I believe in Zero Tolerance, that means no matter what the anti-social or criminals do, if it spoils our lives we do something and not ignore it. We don't have to accept the way things are going, together we can do something about it.

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Election statement:

My name is Howard Kaye and I am honoured to have been selected to be the Labour and Co-operative Party candidate for the Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner role.

I am originally from Leeds, but I have lived in Farnham (Surrey) for the past 16 years, I am 58 and currently I am employed as a Train Driver based at Kings Cross station in London.

Coming from a different background to the professional police and political candidates, I will bring real life experience, knowledge and perspective to the role of the Surrey Police and Crime Commissioner.

My immediate priorities if I get elected are.

I will work to formulate proposals to protect Surrey residents from the continuing threat of on-line and telephone crime.

After consultation I will publish a Police and Crime plan to identify local priorities and how I plan to meet them.

To get the best policing for the residents of Surrey requires adequate funding; I will fight any reduction in budgets that impact on policing within Surrey.

I will halt the continual downgrading of our police service within Surrey; the closures of police stations and centralisation of policing resources do not benefit the vast majority of Surrey residents.

The presence of uniformed officers within our local communities needs reinvigorating.

I will ensure the privatisation of the policing services within Surrey is not on the agenda.

Please get in touch if you want any further information about my aspirations for Policing within Surrey.

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Paul Kennedy

Liberal Democrat



Election statement:

I'm offering a fresh approach to policing and crime in Surrey – based on my extensive professional and community leadership experience, and my commitment as a Liberal Democrat to build and safeguard a fair, free and open society, upheld by the rule of law.

Like many people I disagree with the idea of PCCs, but we're stuck with them for now. That's why I'm offering a professional, ambitious, community-based alternative - not more prisons, privatisation or central government control.

I'll focus on what actually works to prevent crime and keep Surrey safe:

- bringing back community policing and working with communities to tackle antisocial behaviour, road safety and rural crime
- safeguarding victims, with extra support for women, children and domestic violence victims
- a concerted campaign to cut drugs and youth crime and county lines of organised crime
- tackling offending behaviour through restorative justice, education and treatment for mental health and addiction problems

- tough community sentences with longer prison terms for dangerous and persistent offenders.

I'll work with and challenge police and other agencies to reduce threats to our safety, fight crime, and get justice for victims. I'll be fiercely independent of government, demand better value for money, and give fair, frank and balanced reports back to the people of Surrey.

I'm a local councillor and former barrister, accountant and actuary with thirty years' professional leadership experience in both private and public sectors. I've a strong background in criminal law and financial management and scrutiny. For ten years I've provided strategic direction and independent oversight to public interest organisations on a non-political basis. I'll hold Surrey Police to account without undermining operational independence.

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Independent



Election statement:

It's been a privilege to serve as your current PCC and I hope you can support me for a second term as an Independent, keeping Surrey Police out of party politics.

As a long-standing Surrey resident, settling near Farnham after the Army, I was for 20 years an elected local councillor with senior roles at Surrey County Council.

Surrey Police have done well to weather savage government cuts that are only just starting to be reversed. Crime is generally steady or reducing, and Surrey is one of the safest counties in the UK. 88% of residents surveyed have confidence in the force and it received an 'Outstanding' grading for crime prevention and tackling anti-social behaviour.

The main credit for these achievements is due to police officers and staff themselves – we owe them a debt of gratitude. But I have personally contributed too, by giving consistent leadership, holding the Chief Constable to account, allocating the force the funding to recruit many more officers and frontline staff, consulting widely with residents and insisting on stringent efficiency savings. And I have significantly increased money for supporting victims and those who need help.

But there is still more to do. My three over-riding priorities will be:

- Recruit more officers and operational staff: they are desperately needed to tackle crime.

- Focus on crime prevention. More police visible in our rural and urban communities gives reassurance, gains intelligence and deters criminal activity, including drug dealing and antisocial behaviour.
- Raise the crime-solving rate: Surrey Police must do better. Crimes against women, including serious sexual assaults, need to be dealt with more effectively. Surrey Police is an excellent force and serves residents well. I hope I can look for your support to make it even better.

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Lisa Townsend

The Conservative Party Candidate



Election statement:

My Plan for a safer Surrey.

- Improving road safety and enforcement, working with Community Speedwatch to reduce speeding and make our roads safer.
- Putting local people's views at the heart of policing priorities.
- Holding the Police to account, delivering excellent Policing and making sure that your money is spent on your priorities.
- Improving Police visibility by ensuring officers spend time in communities across Surrey, and that neighbourhood teams work with residents.
- Cracking down on County Lines with zero tolerance on organised gangs, and protecting vulnerable children from grooming.
- Tackling anti-social behaviour by working with the community to identify hotspots and targeting offenders.
- Making our streets safer.

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Statement by the Police Area Returning Officer for Surrey

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 Surrey.

Police and Crime Commissioner Elections will be held in Surrey on 6th May 2021; the candidates standing in that election, alphabetically by surname (as they will appear on the ballot paper), are:

- HURLEY, Kevin – Zero Tolerance Policing ex Chief
- KAYE, Howard – Labour and Co-operative Party
- KENNEDY, Paul – Liberal Democrat
- MUNRO, David – Independent
- TOWNSEND, Lisa – The Conservative Party Candidate

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