



Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

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PART 1

POLICE REFORM

CHAPTER 5

POLICE FORCES IN AREAS WITH ELECTED LOCAL POLICING BODIES

Chief officers of police

34 Engagement with local people

- (1) A chief officer of police must make arrangements for obtaining the views of persons within each neighbourhood in the relevant police area about crime and disorder in that neighbourhood.
- (2) A chief officer of police must make arrangements for providing persons within each neighbourhood in the relevant police area with information about policing in that neighbourhood (including information about how policing in that neighbourhood is aimed at dealing with crime and disorder there).
- (3) Arrangements under this section must provide for, or include arrangements for, the holding in each neighbourhood of regular meetings between—
 - (a) persons within that neighbourhood, and
 - (b) police officers with responsibility for supervising or carrying out policing in that neighbourhood.
- (4) It is for a chief officer of police to determine what the neighbourhoods are in the relevant police area.

35 Value for money

- (1) In exercising functions, a chief officer of police must secure that good value for money is obtained.
- (2) That includes securing that the persons under the direction and control of the chief officer of police obtain good value for money in exercising their functions.

36 Information for elected local policing bodies

- (1) A chief officer of police must give the relevant elected local policing body such information on policing matters that the body may require the chief officer to give.
- (2) Such information must be in the form (if any) specified by the elected local policing body.
- (3) The elected local policing body may—
 - (a) arrange for such information to be published, or
 - (b) require the chief officer of police to arrange for such information to be published.
- (4) It is for the elected local policing body to determine the manner in which information is to be published in accordance with subsection (3)(a) or (b).
- (5) In this section “policing matters” means matters connected with the policing of the relevant police area.

37 Appointment of persons not employed by chief officers of police

- (1) This section applies where a chief officer of police is required or authorised by any Act—
 - (a) to appoint a person to a specified post in the relevant police force, or a specified post in the civilian staff of the relevant police force, or
 - (b) to designate a person as having specified duties or responsibilities.
- (2) The chief officer of police may appoint or designate a person whether or not the person is already a member of staff of the police force.
- (3) Subsection (2) has effect in spite of any provision to the contrary in the Act that is mentioned in subsection (1).