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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 649**

**POLICE, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Policing Protocol Order 2023**

*Made* - - - - *12th June 2023*  
*Laid before Parliament* *13th June 2023*  
*Coming into force* *3rd July 2023*

**THE POLICING PROTOCOL ORDER 2023**

1. Citation, commencement and extent
  2. Replacement of the Policing Protocol
  3. Revocation
- Signature

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SCHEDULE — The Policing Protocol 2023

1. Purpose
2. Scope
3. This Protocol applies to every Chief Constable of a police...
4. This Protocol applies to every Police and Crime Panel in...
5. The staff of each PCC and the constables and staff...
6. This Protocol does not legally bind the Commissioner of the...
7. Where reference is made to both PCCs and the Common...
8. The establishment and maintenance of effective working relationships by these...
9. This Protocol does not supersede or vary the legal duties...
10. All parties will abide by the seven principles set out...
11. Legislative Framework
12. The 2011 Act does not impinge on the common law...
13. Each PCC and their respective Chief Constable are established in...
14. The public accountability for the delivery and performance of the...
15. The PCC
16. The PCC is the recipient of all funding, including the...
17. The PCC has the legal power and duty to—
18. In addition, the PCC must not fetter the operational independence...
19. In order to enable the PCC to exercise the functions...
20. A PCC has wider responsibilities than those relating solely to...

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made).

21. The Chief Constable
22. The Chief Constable is accountable to the law for the...
23. The Chief Constable is responsible to the public and accountable...
24. The Panel
25. In order to reflect London's unique governance arrangements, the powers...
26. The Chief Constable retains responsibility for operational matters. If the...
27. The Home Secretary
28. The Home Secretary is ultimately accountable to Parliament and charged...
29. The Home Secretary is responsible for setting the national, strategic...
30. The Home Secretary retains the legal accountability for national security...
31. In order to ensure that the Home Secretary is equipped...
32. Operational Matters
33. The current arrangements are defined in part by the 2011...
34. Section 2 of the 2011 Act provides that a police...
35. The direction and control of a Chief Constable will include—...
36. This list is not exhaustive and is by way of...
37. The PCC and Chief Constable must work together to safeguard...
38. The relationship between the PCC and Chief Constable is defined...
39. In order to respond to the strategic objectives set by...
40. This Protocol does not fetter the ability of the IOPC...
41. Financial Responsibilities
42. The Chief Constable has day to day responsibility for managing...
43. The working financial relationship between the PCC and their Chief...
44. Resolving differences
45. Review
46. When there is a need to vary or replace this...

Explanatory Note