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NICK KING - PUTTING DORSET FIRST

Conservative Candidate for Police & Crime Commissioner

Police & Crime Commissioner elections - polling day 15th November 2012

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Nick King, chosen as Conservative Candidate for Dorset's Police & Crime Commissioner

Nick King has been chosen by Dorset Conservatives as their candidate in the first elections for Dorset's Police & Crime Commissioner (PCC) to be held on Thursday November 15th.

Nick is a local businessman, a Bournemouth Borough Councillor and has been a member of Dorset Police Authority for the past five years. Speaking after his selection Nick said: "I'm honoured and delighted to be Dorset's Conservative candidate for this vital new role. I'll be taking my campaign to every corner of the County in the coming weeks."

"I want to hear about policing issues from as many people as possible in order to reflect their views to the police." "I pledge to **Put Dorset First**. To work tirelessly to keep our communities safe and cut crime."

NICK'S PRIORITIES FOR DORSET

- **Put Dorset FIRST**
- **Keep Dorset safe & Cut crime**
- **Seek your views on crime and police**
- **Maintain high visibility, effective, local policing**
- **Cut red tape and improve police efficiency**

WHAT WILL THE PCC DO?

■ The new position of Police and Crime Commissioner has been introduced to replace Dorset Police Authority. .

PCCs will have four main roles:

1. Most importantly, they will be required to consult local residents to ascertain policing priorities and then translate these into priorities for the police through an annual Policing Plan.
2. PCCs will have responsibility for setting Dorset Police's budget and for setting the part of Council Tax that's applicable to policing.
3. They will appoint the Chief Constable and other senior police officers.
4. Finally, they will be manage many of the crime prevention funds currently distributed through local councils.

Nick adds: "The PCC will have no role whatsoever to play in operational policing. They should not, in my opinion, become involved at any time and under any circumstances in the day to day work of the police and particularly in their investigations."



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Avoid the bad weather - apply for a postal vote

The PCC election will be held on November 15th. These first elections are being held outside the normal local election cycle, but from 2016 they will be held in May.

November is, of course, not the best time to hold an election. The nights are much longer and the weather is likely to be cold and wet.

That's why Nick is encouraging people to apply for a postal vote to ensure that as many people as possible have their say in this vital election, no matter what the weather is like on the day. Nick says: "Our campaign office can help you apply for a postal vote from your local council. The process is very straightforward. By obtaining a postal vote for this election you can be sure your voice is heard in choosing a proactive, visionary commissioner for Dorset Police."

Q&A

Nick answers your questions about PCCs

Q Why do we need Police & Crime Commissioners?

A PCCs will ensure that local people have a say in local policing priorities. They will make communities safer by cutting crime and link their police forces more closely to the people they serve.

PCCs will also hold the local Chief Constable to account for the delivery and performance of the force. The introduction of PCCs will mean for the first time the public will be able to directly vote for an individual to represent their community's policing needs.

Q Why should we elect a Conservative PCC?

A By voting for a Conservative PCC you are choosing a commissioner whose one clear objective is to cut crime.

I'll do this by getting officers out of the back room and on to the front line. By talking to local communities to make sure the police are tackling problems which matter to their neighbourhood, and most importantly seek out innovative ways to improve public safety and the Police's communication with the public.

Q Are PCCs politicising the police?

A No, PCCs will swear an oath of impartiality. Commissioners will reinforce the police's link to the people they serve without interfering with their operational independence. It is a fundamental that the policing system remains operationally independent. All police will continue to be under the legal direction and control of their Chief Constable.

Q Why are you standing under a party banner?

A I'm proud to stand as the Conservative Candidate in these elections. Were I to run as an independent then as soon as I gave answers to questions around setting and overseeing budgetary issues or my attitude to where crime prevention funding should be spent, then it would become very clear that my position was on the centre right and was considerably different to, for example, the Labour candidate.

To that extent I'd actually argue that it may be more honest for me to stand as a Conservative because, after all, that is what I am.