

WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH THE ADVICE I GIVE?

The PCC is committed to ensuring that the police consider advice from IAG members.

However, the police are legally responsible for the actions they take. We value members contributions but there might be occasions where no action is taken on the advice given or the police will act differently from the way you advise. Whatever action is taken, the police will act with your views in mind



Where possible, we will make sure that you are told what action is taken upon your advice and the reasons why.

HOW OFTEN WILL THE IAG MEET?

The group will meet at least 4 times per year.

There may be times when the IAG or individual members will be asked for advice on specific issues such as how the impact of an particular investigation may effect a specific community.

In these cases, We may ask for your advice at short notice, but this will only happen in exceptional circumstances

WILL I GET PAID?

No. This is voluntary work. By using volunteers we are assured of independent advice. If it were a paid job, people may question the independence of advisors.

However, we do value your advice, and the fact that you are giving up your time to support this important initiative, so reasonable expenses will be paid

HOW DO I APPLY?

ONLINE

You can apply online at:
www.wiltshire.police.uk/YourArea

Enter your postcode or click on the Community Policing team for your area and click on "Join our IAGs" to complete the application form. One of your local officers will be in touch.

BY POST

Wiltshire Police Headquarters
Wiltshire Police HQ
London Road
Devizes, SN10 2DD

Please include your CPT area above the address.

BY PHONE OR EMAIL

Tel: 101
Email: iag@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk



WILTSHIRE



Independent Advisory Group



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INTRODUCTION

Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs) are made up of people of all ages and backgrounds, who come together to provide independent advice to the police.



They help us enhance the service the police offer local people.

HOW CAN I HELP?

We are looking for volunteers to help us make sure we provide a quality service to the communities of Wiltshire. The Independent Advisory Group (IAG) provide the police with independent advice on a range of issues, including developing plans and policies which will help shape the way Wiltshire is policed in the future.



The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is committed to providing a fair and equitable service to all our communities.

However, we need the advice of people who are willing to help us understand the issues affecting your communities, while questioning and challenging current practices in a constructive way.

WHY DO WE NEED INDEPENDENT ADVICE?

We want to make sure that we deliver the highest quality police services to our communities.

We need the advice of people who are independent of the police to make sure that our services match the needs of communities as closely as possible.

WHO CAN JOIN?

An Independent Adviser may be any member of the community. You need to have an interest in policing and its effects upon your community.

We want you to point out any criticisms you may have, but we also want you to be able to offer suggestions about how we could do things better.

We are particularly keen to focus on diversity and the protected characteristics as covered by the Equality Act 2000:

- Age
- Disability
- Gender Reassignment
- Marriage and Civil Partnership
- Pregnancy and Maternity
- Race
- Religion and Belief
- Sex
- Sexual Orientation

DO I NEED TO REPRESENT A GROUP/COMMUNITY?

No. We are asking for people who reflect the diversity of our communities, not necessarily to represent them. Consultation through representation takes place in other ways.

Although you are naturally likely to reflect the opinions of other people you know, as well as your own, ultimately the only person you will represent is yourself.



As member of a community, you will have a better understanding of the issues affecting its members.

DO I NEED ANY QUALIFICATIONS?

No. You do not need any formal qualifications. We want you for your opinions, advice and personal experience. To carry out the role, it is important that you can:

- Express and explain your views to others
- Listen and consider other people's views
- Question and challenge the views of others in a constructive way
- Work as part of a diverse team
- Offer advice on the development of police plans and policy