



Police & Crime Commissioner Elections

15 NOVEMBER 2012



What kind of policing do you want in your area?
You can make a difference.

1 Cast your vote

Vote in-person on
Nov.15 or register for
a postal vote at
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2 Spread the word

Talk to friends, family
and work colleagues
about the elections

3 Raise the issues

Attend hustings and
question time events -
some ideas for
questions are overleaf

Important questions to ask the candidates

What is current police policy on **stop and search** and do you think any changes to this policy are needed?

Police forces can choose if they record incidents where they **stop** members of the public and ask them to account for themselves. This results in a massive **under-recording of stops** and **hides disproportionality**. Will you commit to your force recording stop and account?

Stop and search tends to be used disproportionately against **young people, members of black and ethnic minority groups and other marginalised communities**. Do you agree that discriminatory use of **stop and search** is unacceptable? What measures would you adopt to eliminate it?

Less than 10% of stops and searches result in someone being arrested. Do you find such low arrest rates acceptable? What would you do to make stop and search more effective?

What steps will you take as **Police and Crime Commissioner** to ensure that the use of **stop and search** is **reduced** to the absolute minimum and other less intrusive policing methods are encouraged?

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