



NORTHUMBRIA POLICE AUTHORITY (NPA)

What is Northumbria Police Authority?

NPA is an independent organisation, which came into existence through the Local Government Act 1985. NPA provides a link between Northumbria Police and the community, representing the views of the community to the police and vice versa. NPA has recently adopted a Code of Governance. This Code of Corporate Governance demonstrates the Authority's governance arrangements and forms part of the Annual Governance Statement which incorporates the former Statement on Internal Control giving an assessment of governance arrangements and their effectiveness.

What does the authority do?

Members work collectively to monitor the policing service, issue a range of annual reports, including the Local Policing Plan and agree the overall Force budget and policing priorities.

Key roles of the Police Authority include:

- Talking and listening to local people, finding out their concerns about crime and disorder;
- Setting clear priorities and targets informed by these concerns and monitoring performance;
- Setting and monitoring the police budget;
- Appointing the Chief Constable and the senior command team; and
- Overseeing complaints against the police.

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