



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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FOI Reference number: FOI 107/2024

Date: 6 January 2025

Request:

Under FOI law, please provide me with the roles & responsibilities of the NI policing Board.

Answer:

The statutory duties of the Northern Ireland Policing Board are contained within the Police (NI) Act 2000 [Police \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2000](#) and the Police (NI) Act 2003 [Police \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2003](#)

The NIPB's statutory duty is to ensure that the PSNI is effective and efficient and to hold the Chief Constable to account. Its primary responsibilities are:

- To consult with the community to obtain their views on policing and their co-operation with the police in preventing crime
- To set and publish outcomes and measures for the PSNI as part of an Annual Policing Plan and to monitor the PSNI's performance against this plan
- To appoint all Chief Officers of the PSNI above the rank of Chief Superintendent including police staff equivalents
- To approve the annual budget for policing and monitor expenditure • To monitor trends and patterns in complaints against the PSNI
- To keep itself informed as to trends and patterns in recruitment of police and police support staff and the extent to which membership of the police and police support staff is representative of the community in Northern Ireland
- To keep itself informed of police complaints and disciplinary proceedings
- To monitor the PSNI's compliance with the Human Rights Act 1998
- To ensure arrangements are in place to secure continuous improvement within the PSNI and the NIPB
- To assess the level of public satisfaction with the performance of the police and improving the performance of and assessing public satisfaction with Policing and Community Safety Partnerships
- To monitor the exercise of the functions of the National Crime Agency (NCA) in Northern Ireland and to make arrangements for obtaining the co-operation of the public with NCA in the prevention of organised crime
 - To manage and administer Police Pension and Injury Benefits Schemes
- To monitor the PSNI's compliance in carrying out their functions with the aim of securing the support of the local community and of acting with the co-operation of the local community

More information on how the Board discharges its key roles and responsibilities can be found on the Board's website at www.nipolicingboard.org.uk or in the latest Annual Report [Annual Report and Accounts 2023/24](#)

If you have queries about this request or the decision, please contact the Board quoting the reference number above. If you are unhappy with the service you have received and wish to make a complaint or request a review you should contact the Board's Chief Executive -

Via Email: foi@nipolicingboard.org.uk

Or in writing at the following address:

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2 – 4 Cromac Avenue
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Belfast
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You should contact the Board within 40 working days of this response.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot investigate or make a decision on a case unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Board. You should make complaints to the ICO within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at the following web link –

www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints

or in writing at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
SK9 5AF

Telephone: - 0303 1231114

Email: - ni@ico.org.uk

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