



# Police Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 16

### PART V

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

##### *Miscellaneous*

#### **96 Arrangements for obtaining the views of the community on policing.**

- (1) Arrangements shall be made for each police area for obtaining—
- (a) the views of people in that area about matters concerning the policing of the area, and
  - (b) their co-operation with the police in preventing crime [<sup>F1</sup>and anti-social behaviour] in that area. [<sup>F2</sup>;

and for obtaining the views of victims of crime in that area about matters concerning the policing of the area.]

[<sup>F3</sup>(1A) Those arrangements must include, in the case of—

- (a) a police area listed in Schedule 1, or
- (b) the metropolitan police district,

arrangements for obtaining, before a police and crime plan is issued under section 5 or 6 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the views of the people in that police area, and the views of the victims of crime in that area, on that plan.

(1B) Those arrangements must include, in the case of a police area listed in Schedule 1, arrangements for obtaining, before the first precept for a financial year is issued by the police and crime commissioner under section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the views of—

- (a) the people in that police area, and
- (b) the relevant ratepayers' representatives,

on the proposals of the police and crime commissioner for expenditure (including capital expenditure) in that financial year.

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(1C) Those arrangements must include, in the case of the metropolitan police district, arrangements for obtaining, before the first calculations in relation to the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime are made for a financial year under section 85 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, the views of—  
(a) the people in the metropolitan police district, and  
(b) the relevant ratepayers' representatives,  
on the proposals of the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime for expenditure (including capital expenditure) in that financial year.]

[<sup>F4</sup>(2) Arrangements under this section are to be made by the local policing body for the police area, after consulting the chief officer of police for that area.]

<sup>F5</sup>(3) .....

<sup>F5</sup>(4) .....

<sup>F5</sup>(5) .....

[<sup>F6</sup>(5A) In subsections (1B) and (1C) “relevant ratepayers' representatives”, in relation to a police area listed in Schedule 1, or the metropolitan police district, means the persons or bodies who appear to the elected local policing body for that area or district to be representative of persons subject to non-domestic rates under sections 43 and 45 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 as regards hereditaments situated in that area or district.

(5B) In determining which persons or bodies are relevant ratepayers' representatives, an elected local policing body must have regard to any guidance given by the Secretary of State.]

<sup>F7</sup>(6) .....

<sup>F7</sup>(7) .....

<sup>F7</sup>(8) .....

<sup>F7</sup>(9) .....

<sup>F7</sup>(10) .....

**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Words in s. 96(1)(b) inserted (15.3.2010) by [Police and Justice Act 2006 \(c. 48\)](#), s. 53(1), **Sch. 2 para. 30(2)**; S.I. 2010/414, art. 2(b)

**F2** Words in s. 96(1) inserted (16.1.2012 for specified purposes, 22.11.2012 in so far as not already in force) by [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 \(c. 13\)](#), **ss. 14(2)**, 157(1); S.I. 2011/3019, art. 3, Sch. 1; S.I. 2012/2892, art. 2(a)

**F3** S. 96(1A)-(1C) inserted (16.1.2012 for specified purposes, 22.11.2012 in so far as not already in force) by [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 \(c. 13\)](#), **ss. 14(3)**, 157(1); S.I. 2011/3019, art. 3, Sch. 1; S.I. 2012/2892, art. 2(a)

**F4** S. 96(2) substituted (16.1.2012 for specified purposes, 22.11.2012 in so far as not already in force) by [Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 \(c. 13\)](#), **ss. 14(4)**, 157(1); S.I. 2011/3019, art. 3, Sch. 1; S.I. 2012/2892, art. 2(a)

**F5** S. 96(3)-(5) repealed (3.7.2000) by 1999 c. 26, ss. 325, 423, Sch. 27 para. 103(3), **Sch. 34 Pt. VII** (with Sch. 12 para. 9(1)); S.I. 2000/1648, art. 2, **Sch.**

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- F6** S. 96(5A)(5B) inserted (16.1.2012 for specified purposes, 22.11.2012 in so far as not already in force) by Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13), **ss. 14(5)**, 157(1); S.I. 2011/3019, art. 3, Sch. 1; S.I. 2012/2892, art. 2(a)
- F7** S. 96(6)-(10) omitted (16.1.2012 for specified purposes, 22.11.2012 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13), **ss. 14(6)**, 157(1); S.I. 2011/3019, art. 3, Sch. 1; S.I. 2012/2892, art. 2(a)

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**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1** S. 96(1) applied (with modifications) (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 3.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by 2004 c. 21, **Sch. A2 para. 2** (as inserted by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), **Sch. 1 para. 13**; S.I. 2017/399, reg. 2, **Sch. para. 38**)
- C2** S. 96(1B) applied (with modifications) (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 3.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by 2004 c. 21, **Sch. A2 para. 2** (as inserted by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), **Sch. 1 para. 13**; S.I. 2017/399, reg. 2, **Sch. para. 38**)
- C3** S. 96(1B) applied (with modifications) (8.5.2017) by The Greater Manchester Combined Authority (Transfer of Police and Crime Commissioner Functions to the Mayor) Order 2017 (S.I. 2017/470), art. 1(2), **Sch. 1 para. 10(7)**
- C4** S. 96(1B) modified (E.W.) (20.12.2023) by The York and North Yorkshire Combined Authority Order 2023 (S.I. 2023/1432), arts. 1(2), 33(2), **Sch. 5 para. 10(7)**
- C5** S. 96(2) applied (with modifications) (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 3.4.2017 in so far as not already in force) by 2004 c. 21, **Sch. A2 para. 2** (as inserted by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), **Sch. 1 para. 13**; S.I. 2017/399, reg. 2, **Sch. para. 38**)
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