



Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

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PART 1

POLICE REFORM

CHAPTER 2

METROPOLITAN POLICE DISTRICT

3 Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime

- (1) There is to be a body with the name “The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime” for the metropolitan police district.
- (2) The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime is a corporation sole.
- (3) The person who is Mayor of London for the time being is to be the occupant for the time being of the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime.
- (4) Accordingly, where a person is the occupant of the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime by virtue of a particular term of office as Mayor of London (the “relevant mayoral term”), the person’s term as the occupant of the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime—
 - (a) begins at the same time as the relevant mayoral term, and
 - (b) ends at the same time as the relevant mayoral term.
- (5) The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime has—
 - (a) the functions conferred by this section,
 - (b) the functions relating to community safety and crime prevention conferred by Chapter 3, and
 - (c) the other functions conferred by this Act and other enactments.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (6) The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime must—
 - (a) secure the maintenance of the metropolitan police force, and
 - (b) secure that the metropolitan police force is efficient and effective.
- (7) The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime must hold the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to account for the exercise of—
 - (a) the functions of the Commissioner, and
 - (b) the functions of persons under the direction and control of the Commissioner.
- (8) The Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime must, in particular, hold the Commissioner to account for—
 - (a) the exercise of the duty imposed by section 8(4) (duty to have regard to police and crime plan);
 - (b) the exercise of the duty under section 37A(2) of the Police Act 1996 (duty to have regard to strategic policing requirement);
 - (c) the exercise of the duty imposed by section 39A(7) of the Police Act 1996 (duty to have regard to codes of practice issued by Secretary of State);
 - (d) the effectiveness and efficiency of the Commissioner’s arrangements for co-operating with other persons in the exercise of the Commissioner’s functions (whether under section 22A of the Police Act 1996 or otherwise);
 - (e) the effectiveness and efficiency of the Commissioner’s arrangements under section 34 (engagement with local people);
 - (f) the extent to which the Commissioner has complied with section 35 (value for money);
 - (g) the exercise of duties relating to equality and diversity imposed on the Commissioner by any enactment;
 - (h) the exercise of duties in relation to the safeguarding of children and the promotion of child welfare that are imposed on the Commissioner by sections 10 and 11 of the Children Act 2004.
- (9) In section 424 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (interpretation), in subsection (1), in the definition of “functional body”, for paragraph (c) substitute—
 - “(c) the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime; or”.
- (10) In this section, references to the Mayor of London include references to a person who is, by virtue of Schedule 4 to the Greater London Authority Act 1999 (exercise of functions of Mayor during vacancy or incapacity), treated as if the person were the Mayor of London.
- (11) Where such a person is the occupant for the time being of the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime, references in this section to the relevant mayoral term are references to the period for which the person is treated as if the person were the Mayor of London.
- (12) The Metropolitan Police Authority is abolished.
- (13) Schedule 3 (Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime) has effect.

4 Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis

- (1) There is to be a corporation sole with the name “the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis”.

- (2) The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis is to be appointed, and hold office, in accordance with—
 - (a) sections 42 and 48, and
 - (b) the terms and conditions of the appointment.
- (3) The metropolitan police force, and the civilian staff of the metropolitan police force, are under the direction and control of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis.
- (4) The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis has the other functions conferred by this Act and by other enactments.
- (5) The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis must exercise the power of direction and control conferred by subsection (3) in such a way as is reasonable to assist the Mayor’s Office for Policing and Crime to exercise that Office’s functions.
- (6) Subsection (3) is subject to any provision included in a collaboration agreement (see section 22A of the Police Act 1996).
- (7) Schedule 4 (Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis) has effect.