



PCCs Form National Body



Association of Police and Crime Commissioners will be company limited by guarantee and funded by members.

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Fledgling police and crime commissioners and law enforcement governance bodies have agreed to form a body that will represent their interests on the national stage.

Following their first annual general meeting, the elected individuals gave the green light for new Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC).

The organisation has existed as a transitional body funded by the Home Office since last year. But the agreement, endorsed by all 41 PCCs and governance bodies including the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime, paves the way for the body to become a company limited by guarantee and paid for by members.

The APCC will be chaired by Greater Manchester PCC Tony Lloyd (pictured) with fellow commissioners Sir Graham Bright, Anthony Stansfeld, Vera Baird, Ron Ball and Simon Hayes sitting on the board of directors. Councillor Simon Duckworth will join them to represent the interests of governance bodies.

The Association will offer information on national policing issues and legislation as well as consulting PCCs to enable them to develop policy positions, influence change and assist them in collaboration to share and to achieve efficiencies.

Chief Executive Mark Castle said the new organisation followed "several months of positive

negotiations”.

He added: “Police commissioners and police governance bodies have agreed that it is by coming together that PCCs will be best able to influence change.

“The APCC will help Police Commissioners make the most of their ability to influence at a national level and deliver their manifesto commitments.

“At the AGM our members were also elected to important national policing roles. Their engagement with bodies such as the College of Policing, National Crime Agency and those protecting the public from terrorism and many other threats will be essential in order to protect the public.”

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