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Crime Commissioner to recruit a deputy

Greater Manchester's Police and Crime Commissioner, Tony Lloyd is to recruit a deputy.

Under the terms of the legislation which set up Police and Crime Commissioners, Mr Lloyd could make a personal appointment to the deputy position, but he has decided that it would be more appropriate to have a transparent and open selection process.

Mr Lloyd said: "I've carefully considered whether it was necessary for me to appoint a deputy and have come to the conclusion that this is a role I need to assist me in effectively holding Greater Manchester Police to account and driving forward the community safety agenda in our region.

"This role is an opportunity for someone who shares my passion to build safer communities in Greater Manchester.

"We face a real challenge in Greater Manchester as a result of massive budget cuts to police, councils and other agencies imposed by central government, compounded by the difficult economic climate. Key to getting through this is the need to work together, so I'm looking for someone who not only understands policing and crime, but has a track record of bringing agencies and local communities together to fight for a shared goal.

"It's not going to be an easy role, but it offers a unique opportunity to shape policy, scrutinise the police, influence partner agencies and, ultimately, make Greater Manchester an even better place. And fundamentally it is about serving the people of Greater Manchester.

"I've found the first eight months of my role incredibly rewarding and am sure the same will be true for my deputy."

The role will be linked to Mr Lloyd's term of office. Although being a member of the Labour Party is not a requirement for the role, candidates will be expected to share Mr Lloyd's values and ambitions.

Applications are invited between now and 12 July. Shortlisting will take place between 15 July and 18 July with interviews between taking place on 19, 22 and 23 July.

Mr Lloyd will make his final decision by 26 July, when he will attend the Police and Crime Panel with the successful candidate.

The salary will be £55,000.



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