

FAO Parliamentary Candidates

[by email]

13 November 2019

Dear Candidate,

As Chair of the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC) I thought it may be helpful to write to all candidates taking part in the General Election to offer a range of security advice and good practice that you may find useful during the election campaign.

I would also like to take this opportunity to notify you of the arrangements your local force will be putting in place to provide additional security advice and support specific to your local area. This includes a dedicated senior police officer you can contact should you would wish for additional security advice. This should not replace your need to call 999 in an emergency but instead I hope provides you with some additional assurance so that you might go about your business freely and with confidence.

It is important that individuals and organisations engaged in this election consider any reasonable and proportionate protective safety and security provisions. To support you the enclosed document a '*Joint Guidance for Candidates in Elections*' has been produced jointly by the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC), the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS), College of Policing and Electoral Commission. It consolidates advice from a variety of professional sources and covers a range of concerns you may have about your safety whilst undertaking your role as a candidate. It also provides a guide to help you determine whether an offence may have been committed against you or your colleagues.

This advice is also available on the Electoral Commission website:

<https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent>

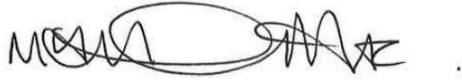
Chief Constables have oversight and responsibility for local policing arrangements and stand ready to provide support and advice to you and your colleagues. On that basis a nominated Detective Superintendent will be your point of contact (details are in the appendix to this letter) should you have any concerns or wish to seek advice on a particular matter. Additionally, you can contact your local police force via 101 at any time. **As above for any incident that you feel requires an immediate police response, please dial 999.**

If you have questions or concerns relating to the election rather than your security or safety, please contact your returning officer in the first instance. Additionally, all forces will arrange a local briefing session for you and the other candidates. Dates for this event will be circulated shortly via your returning officer and I would encourage you to attend.



Finally I know you will share our desire to minimise community tensions during the course of the campaign, the language you and your campaign staff choose to use in delivering your message to the electorate will be pivotal in achieving this; so I ask you to give it careful consideration

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MH', followed by a large, stylized circular flourish and a final sharp stroke.

Martin Hewitt QPM

Chair, National Police Chiefs' Council



List of Force Senior Points of Contact

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