



Rushcliffe Community

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Proposal by Nottinghamshire Police to reduce the number of PCSO's by 70 personnel

No doubt you have heard that Nottinghamshire Police are proposing to reduce the number of Police Community Support Officers (PCSO's) by about 70 (equating to approximately 20% of the total number employed) because of stringent budgetary requirements.

Whilst Nottinghamshire Police confirm this will not mean the end of "Neighbourhood Policing", such a reduction would almost certainly reduce its effectiveness. If you are concerned by this prospect, you are advised to contact your local Police Inspector and/or Sergeant in writing, in order to register your concern and to request that Nottinghamshire Police seek alternative ways of meeting the financial constraints placed upon them.

NottsWatch has contacted Paddy Tipping, the Nottinghamshire Police & Crime Commissioner, to inform him of our dismay at the proposed reduction in the number of PCSO's operating within the city & county, and to ask him to use every ounce of his authority & influence to ensure that Nottinghamshire Police seek alternative ways of meeting the financial requirements without having to reduce the numbers of PCSO's. You may also wish to send an email or letter to Paddy Tipping, , again to formally register your concern.

John Wood

Chair,

Nottinghamshire Neighbourhood Watch (aka NottsWatch)

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Note: Our Nottinghamshire Police Sgt for Radcliffe-on-Trent is PS775 Sgt Steve Robinson telephone 101 Ext 8116721 email address steven.robinson@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk Please let Steve know how you feel about these possible reductions and give examples of how our local PCSO's have helped you with advice, crime incidents, etc etc.