



OFFICE OF  
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Commissioner  
for Cheshire

## 2020 Police & Crime Commissioner Elections

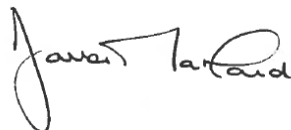
### Information Requests from Candidates

1. The Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides public access, subject to exemptions, to information held by all public authorities, including the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner for Cheshire. Any applicant making a request for information is entitled to be: i) informed in writing whether the information requested is held by the public authority; and ii) supplied with such information, subject to qualifying exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.
2. All requests for information received by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner are recorded within a disclosure log, detailing the subject of the information requested, that is published on the Police & Crime Commissioner's website: <https://www.cheshire-pcc.gov.uk/contact-me/freedom-of-information-requests/>
3. Prior to the 2020 Police & Crime Commissioner Elections on 07 May 2020, any requests for information from candidates will be considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and processed by the OPCC or Cheshire Constabulary in the same manner that all Freedom of Information requests are administered. This will ensure that certain information is not disclosed and, therefore, will enable the OPCC or Cheshire Constabulary to withhold such information in accordance with the exemptions detailed in the Freedom of Information Act. All requests for information will be responded to without undue delay and within 20 working days of receipt.
4. Any request for information that is specific to the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner should be directed to the OPCC FOI inbox: [OPCC.FOI@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:OPCC.FOI@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)
5. Any request for information that is specific to Cheshire Constabulary, including police statistics, should be directed to the Cheshire Constabulary Requests inbox: [Requests@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Requests@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)
6. All requests for information received from candidates will be anonymised and, in addition to the response provided, subsequently published on the 2020 Police & Crime Commissioner Election page on either the Police & Crime Commissioner or Cheshire Constabulary website, dependent upon which organisation receives the request for information. This will ensure both openness and transparency to all candidates and in the event of a repeat request for information, candidates will

be directed to the relevant website where such information has previously been published.

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P ASTLEY MBE  
Chief of Staff  
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D Martland', written in a cursive style.

D MARTLAND  
Chief Constable  
Cheshire Constabulary

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