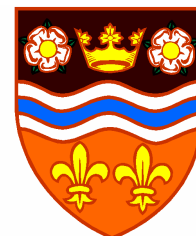


PRESS INFORMATION



HUMBERSIDE
POLICE AUTHORITY

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Police Authority Appoints Independent Members

Humberside Police Authority has announced the appointment of two independent members to join the nine elected members, three magistrates and three other independents who comprise the full Authority.

Gabriel Doherty and John Shipley will both serve for a four year period commencing 1st April 2007. Mr Doherty is new to the Authority while Mr Shipley has been reappointed for a second term.

Speaking after the announcements Mr Doherty said that he had first been interested in the work of the Authority having read an article in the local paper about its work “I live in North Hull and see first hand every day some of the problems that people round here face.

“Having read that the Authority sets local policing priorities and looks at all areas of performance I thought that it would be very useful for an independent person, who understands these problems, to represent the people who live in my community. I look forward to my new role, which I think will be incredibly interesting.”

Mr Doherty is Chairman of the local Tenant and Resident Association, sits on the local area housing board and is a school governor.

Mr Shipley is delighted that he has been reappointed. “At least I don’t have to learn all the ropes from scratch again!” he said. “I found the last four years fascinating and really believe that you can make a difference by getting involved. I live in an area which is very multi-cultural and rather deprived and this gives me the chance to put their views forward and restore the balance a little.

“It might sound obvious, but giving something back to society is very rewarding.”

A local school Governor who has worked in both the public and private sector, Mr Shipley is very aware of the changing ethnic mix in Hull. He is currently learning Polish to be able to converse with the Polish community in their own language, which he feels people appreciate.

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The Police Authority is an independent body responsible for ensuring an efficient and effective police service for Humberside. It is made up of seventeen members and its duties include:

- Setting the police budget for the year
- Setting, in consultation with the Chief Constable, local performance priorities
- Monitoring performance
- Obtaining the views of local people
- Appointing Chief Officers
- Producing the Local Policing Summary and other statutory documents.

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