



HUMBERSIDE POLICE AUTHORITY

PRESS INFORMATION

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POLICE AUTHORITY LISTENS TO MUSLIM VOICE

Members of the Muslim community from across the Humberside police area are being invited to have their say in how local policing is delivered.

Humberside Police Authority is calling for community representatives and individuals to attend an event organised to help the Authority understand the specific policing issues that impact upon the Muslim Community. Zaheer Ahmad, President of the National Association of Muslim Police, will give the keynote speech entitled 'Muslims Making a Difference to Policing'.

Other topics on the agenda include Islamophobia and Hate Crime, policing priorities for the Muslim community, confidence and satisfaction in policing and service improvement. Attendees will have an interactive role as topics will be discussed in small workshops following which feedback will be provided to the wider audience.

The event will take place on Tuesday, 11th May, 2010, at the Octagon, Walker Street, Hull from 6.00pm – 8.30pm where both male and female prayer facilities are available.

Alene Branton, MBE, Chair of the Police Authority, explained that it is important to take the views of the whole community into account when the Authority sets policing priorities for the year. "We know that one size doesn't fit all," she said. "There are a great many minority and diverse communities in the Humberside Police area and we are here to secure outstanding policing for everyone.

"That's why it's vital that people tell us what they feel, explain the policing issues that can impact on their lives and help us to shape police service delivery appropriately. The work that we are doing with diverse communities across our area is exciting as we are learning how we can improve the quality of life for different people and people are learning that if they tell us what the problem is we will address it.

"By listening, learning and calling for appropriate changes we are driving up public confidence and satisfaction."

The event is part of Humberside Police Authority's pioneering work to engage and consult with all the diverse communities in the Humberside Police Area to ensure that the way in which police services are delivered meets specific needs and expectations.

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