

Chair of a City of London Police Authority Board (sub) Committee – Role Profile

Appointment	Elected annually by the Members of the Police Authority Board for a term up to a maximum of four years.
Overall Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide political leadership to the Force on behalf of the Police Authority Board in the areas covered by the given Committee's terms of reference;• To act as a point of contact on behalf of the Police Authority with partner organisations in matters relating to the Committee's terms of reference;• To chair the Committee, reporting back to the Police Authority Board on its work.
Time Commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chairing 4 Committee meetings per year.• Attending Police Authority Board as appropriate.• Discharging Special Interest Area responsibilities as appropriate.• Regular meetings with Force Chief Officers responsible for the areas covered by the given Committee's terms of reference.

Background

The role of the City of London Police Authority is to provide scrutiny and challenge to the work of the City of London Police (CoLP). In discharging more than 60 statutory duties, the Police Authority must ensure that CoLP delivers efficient and effective policing for the public within a sustainable medium-term financial plan (MTFP), and hold the City of London Police Commissioner to account for the delivery of policing within the Square Mile and in its capacity as the national lead force for economic crime as set out in the Policing Plan.

The City is exceptional in retaining a police authority in the form of the Court of Common Council, acting through the City of London Police Authority Board to which the Common Council has delegated its general functions. The Police Authority Board provides a directly elected scrutiny body mirroring the model deployed for Police & Crime Commissioners (PCCs). In fulfilling its role, the Police Authority Board and its Committees must be mindful of public confidence in policing, ensure the Force provides value for money, and that the needs of local communities are met as effectively as possible by CoLP.

Key responsibilities

On behalf of the Police Authority Board, the Chair of one of its Committees has the following responsibilities:

- to provide political leadership to the Force on behalf of the Police Authority Board in the areas covered by the given Committee's terms of reference;
- to act as a spokesperson for the City of London Corporation in its capacity as the Police Authority for the City of London in the areas covered by the given Committee's terms of reference;

- to develop a particular interest in the policies that underpin the areas covered by the given Committee's terms of reference, working closely with officers in the Force, Police Authority and City Corporation to identify opportunities for collaboration and partnership working (building on the Police Authority's Special Interest Area (SIA) Scheme);
- to act as a point of contact on behalf of the Police Authority with partner organisations in matters relating to the Committee's terms of reference;
- to support the Force's engagement with agencies at local and national level in matters relating to the Committee's terms of reference, ensuring there is a unified approach to preventing and reducing crime;
- to report back to the Police Authority Board on the work of the Committee;
- to lead otherwise the work of the committee and make sure it carries out its business effectively and efficiently within its terms of reference.

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