

Northamptonshire Police and Crime Commissioner

Community

Justice

Security

EXECUTIVE ORDER 0001 – ESTABLISHMENT OF A VICTIMS' COMMISSION FOR NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

By the authority of the Police and Crime Commissioner as designated by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, and, by democratic mandate invested in me by the electorate of Northamptonshire, I have taken the following decision:

To establish a Victims' Commission for Northamptonshire with an independent chair.

I am committed to putting victims first and ensuring that their voice is clearly heard and shapes the priorities of all who work in criminal justice agencies.

The Victims' Commission will:

- look across current services to support victims and whether these services fully understand and meet their needs;
- champion restorative justice approaches, whilst ensuring that these are geared to meeting the needs of victims and shaped by their wishes;
- identify options for driving a faster and more victim-friendly court system;
- explore new ways of engaging with victims and ensuring that their needs and priorities are understood and acted upon.

The Victims' Commission will provide recommendations for improvement across criminal justice within Northamptonshire, ensuring victims remain at the heart of the process.

ADAM SIMMONDS

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER

22 November 2012

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Equality, Diversity and Human Rights

The Victims' Commission will drive improvement in equality, diversity and human rights issues for victims.

Other Advice Taken

None – this was a commitment within the Police and Crime Commissioner's Manifesto