

**STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE, FIRE AND CRIME PANEL –
21 FEBRUARY 2023**

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC TO THE POLICE, FIRE AND
CRIME COMMISSIONER**

Report of the Secretary

The Panel's Constitution provides for questions to the Commissioner from members of the public. Questioners can choose to either attend the meeting and ask the question themselves or have the question dealt with in written form and the reply forwarded to them.

The following question has been received (questions are listed in order of receipt):

Deborah Mallender – February 2023

- 1. Given the public concern about rogue companies committing*
 - 1) Given the appearance of Organised Crime surrounding Environment Crime in Staffordshire and in light of very recent updated Environmental Crime Regulations: When was the **last date** the Chief Constable attended any CPD Continued Professional Development in Environment Crime to ensure he has competent knowledge to deal with those changes? Who delivered the training please?
2. It is noted that The Crime Commissioner received only 14,480 votes out of a total Staffordshire Police Area Electorate of a possible 844,839. Aside from the embarrassment of the low vote. Does that highlight and also under mine the democratic deficit of his position and ethical right to give political orders. Furthermore, the Chair of this Staffordshire Police, Fire and Crime Scrutiny Panel Bernard Peters only received 1,911 votes out of a total registered electorate of 11,126. The question is: What ethical right does this panel chair have to silence a member of the public trying to speak? Surely the none voting electorate paying local taxes, are in the majority and hence ethically, have the greater right to articulate other views without constant hinderance.

Responses will be provided at the meeting. A copy of the reply will be forwarded to any questioner not in attendance at the meeting.

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