

Lincolnshire POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER

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Via email

Dear Councillor

## Lincolnshire Youth Commission - recruitment 2021-22

Last year I wrote to you to announce the launch of a ground-breaking project to ensure young people had a voice in how their communities were policed.

The county's first ever Youth Commission has been a huge success.

The commission - made up of 28 young people recruited from across the county – produced a valuable report setting out key priorities for young people which identified mental health issues, relationship with the police, education on abuse and safety at night.

The report, written after consultation with 1,300 young people, was presented to more than 100 senior officers from councils, Lincolnshire Police and youth workers.

Its recommendations are already making a difference in the community.

- My office is currently liaising with colleges and universities to bid for Government funding to improve the safety of public open spaces.
- A Youth Commission member will now sit on the Lincolnshire Police Stop and Search Scrutiny Group
- Funding for specialist stalking and harassment training for local victim support providers has been provided

The full report can be accessed here <u>lincolnshire-pcc.gov.uk/your-pcc/youth-</u> commission

The project is run on behalf of the PCC by Leaders Unlocked - a not-for-profit specialist social enterprise that enables young people and under-represented groups to have a stronger voice on the issues that affect their lives.

The establishment of the commission is part of my drive to ensure members of the community have a say in how their villages and towns are policed and the process of listening to young people will be an integral part of the ongoing consultation we do.

Now I have launched the recruitment drive for a set of new young people to join the commission so their work can build on the foundation already laid. More information of the recruitment can be found here <u>lincolnshire-pcc.gov.uk/your-pcc/youth-commission</u>

This is a really exciting project that will give me a real opportunity to hear the experiences and concerns of young people across Lincolnshire.

I hope you will continue to support this development over the coming months.

Yours sincerely

## Marc Jones

Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire