

JUNE MEETING

Policing Board

At this month's session, questions to the Chief Constable focused on topics related to COVID-19, including the policing approach to mass gatherings, consistency of policing, and tackling domestic abuse in the post-COVID-19 recovery plan. Members also questioned the Chief Constable on EU Exit, policing issues in Minneapolis, and on the fight against drugs.

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Chief Constable's Report



Written questions to the Chief Constable



The whole meeting



Watch the Chair's opening remarks



Watch short film here

Watch our next Board meeting: Thursday 2 July 2020 12:30-13:30



VIRTUAL VOLUNTEER THANKS

Our Chair Doug Garrett said a virtual thank you to all our **Independent Custody Visitors** and Community Observers for their volunteer work in support of policing oversight for Volunteers Week 2020.





At the June Board meeting, the Board joined in condemnation of the murder of George Floyd in the US, reinforcing the importance of accountability and oversight for public confidence in policing.

"Our policing service is here to work with the public and is committed to keeping our community safe. We know only too well that policing must be delivered with the consent of the community and community confidence is built and maintained when policing is representative and meets the highest professional, ethical and human rights standards.

As a Board we have been horrified and join with others in condemning the murder of George Floyd in the US. We share and understand people's outrage, their desire to show solidarity with Mr Floyd's family and take a stand against racial discrimination.

We have been through a reform programme and have an oversight and accountability regime that sets standards that our community can have confidence in. US policing needs similar change and accountability.

However, here in Northern Ireland we also know by hate crime figures that we do have more work to do in building a society that is free from hate and intolerance; and we all have a part to play in eradicating discrimination or bias of any kind."





ACC APPOINTMENTS

Barbara Gray and Mark McEwan have been appointed by the Board as Assistant Chief Constables in the PSNI.

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