



It is official: Tim Smith is the new Chief Constable of Kent Police.

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Kent's Police and Crime Commissioner, Matthew Scott has signed the contract which officially appoints Tim Smith as the Chief Constable of Kent Police.

After a rigorous selection process, Mr. Smith was the PCC's preferred candidate for the role and his selection was approved by the Kent and Medway Police and Crime Panel earlier this month.

Matthew Scott said,

"Thank you to the Kent and Medway Police and Crime Panel who have supported my decision to offer the role of Chief Constable to Tim Smith.

His dedication to Kent throughout his career and the support he has shown for local communities is excellent and I am delighted to be working with him to make Kent safer."

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Making Kent Safer

Results of the Annual Policing Survey

We received 2964 completed survey responses overall. Thank you to everyone who took the time to share your views on important topics.

Residents told us:

- the new Chief Constable must show effective communication in his new role.
- violence against women and girls, antisocial behaviour, and gangs and county lines were the priorities the Chief Constable should focus on.
- they agreed with the PCC's priorities for Kent Police. 'Preventing crime and antisocial behaviour' and 'being visible and responsive to the needs of communities' were the most popular.
- they feel safer where they live than in previous years; however, they feel less safe on the roads.
- more than half would be willing to pay more council tax (with half of these stating they would pay £15 more a year) to support the police service.
- most had not been a victim of crime in the last year but those who had been were dissatisfied with the service they received from Kent Police.
- Crime types mattered most: serious violence, sexual offences, child sexual exploitation, and burglary/robbery.



Volunteering Day @ local charity



Thank you to Dandelion Time for hosting the team's Volunteering Day! Dandelion Time helps children and families recover from trauma through nature. We made the hoops for their Christmas wreath fundraising weekend and built a roof for the chicken pen!

Home Secretary visit to Kent

The Chief Constable and PCC were pleased to welcome the Home Secretary, Suella Braverman to Kent on 1 December.

They discussed the Force response to violence against women and girls and the efforts being made to improve investigations and outcomes. We also had the opportunity to discuss recruitment, mental health incidents and victim services



International Men's Day stall



Thank you for coming to see us at Maidstone United FC last month. We wanted to promote some of the support services available to men in Kent on International Men's Day 2022. We all know men often suffer in silence, so thank you for hosting us.

Best Bar None Awards

Congratulations to the bars and clubs of Tunbridge Wells who were awarded their Best Bar None certificates in November, proving they've been assessed and are safe places to visit. There are 52 BBN bars across Kent & Medway



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Christmas!*

*Happy
Christmas from
the OPCC*

*(and Harvey one of our
Therapy Dogs!)*



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