



NORFOLK POLICE AUTHORITY

Will members get paid?

No, this is voluntary work. However we do want to show that we value the advice that we are given and the time that members have given up, so we pay reasonable expenses for coming to meetings, and will arrange transport if necessary.

How often does the group meet?

The group meets three times a year at Norfolk Constabulary's headquarters in Wymondham.

There may also be times when members of the group will come together to provide advice on a specific issue.

Norfolk Disability Forum

How to apply

If you would like any further information, or would like to apply to join the Disability Forum, please contact:

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NORFOLK DISABILITY FORUM



Would you like to join us?

Your questions answered

Introduction

This leaflet is designed to answer your questions about the Norfolk Disability Forum.

Norfolk Police Authority and Norfolk Constabulary are seeking volunteers who reflect the interests of Norfolk's disabled people.

What is the Disability Forum?

It is a group of people with disabilities who share their opinions and personal experiences with the Authority and Constabulary to inform the decisions they make.

The group gives advice on the work of the police and provides a forum for consultation on policing issues affecting their local communities.

The Disability Forum is also involved in the development of the Authority's and Constabulary's disability equality schemes.

Who can join?

The Disability Forum is looking for members of the community who have a disability, and also have an interest in policing and a knowledge of the specific needs of disabled people.

No formal qualifications are required, but to carry out the role it is important that you can:

- Contribute the time, energy and commitment to attend regular meetings, as well as work in groups/ sub-groups
- Share your personal knowledge, awareness and experiences within the group
- Provide advice to the Constabulary to help it monitor the quality of service it provides to disabled people within Norfolk.

What will the police do with the advice?

There may be occasions when the police do not take any action, or act differently from the way you advise. This does not mean we do not value your advice, but that we have made a considered and informed decision.

Where possible, we will make sure that members of the Disability Forum are told what action, if any, is taken and the reasons why.

The Constabulary and Authority will carefully consider the advice you give and will be responsible for any actions they take. Members of the Disability Forum will not be responsible for the actions of the police.