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Consultation with Parish Councils

Background

The Comms and Engagement team wanted to find out what the misconceptions Parish Councillors have on the Police and Crime Commissioner and their role.

Aim of the survey

To understand what the stakeholders know about the Police and Crime Commissioner, and what topics could be communicated about to help educate and build the knowledge base around the Police and Crime Commissioner's role.

About the survey

The survey was launched on Monday 5th May 2024 and ran until 12noon on Friday 31st May 2024, and was sent via email to **all** of the Parish Council clerks across Cheshire.

Overall, there were 100 responses to the survey.

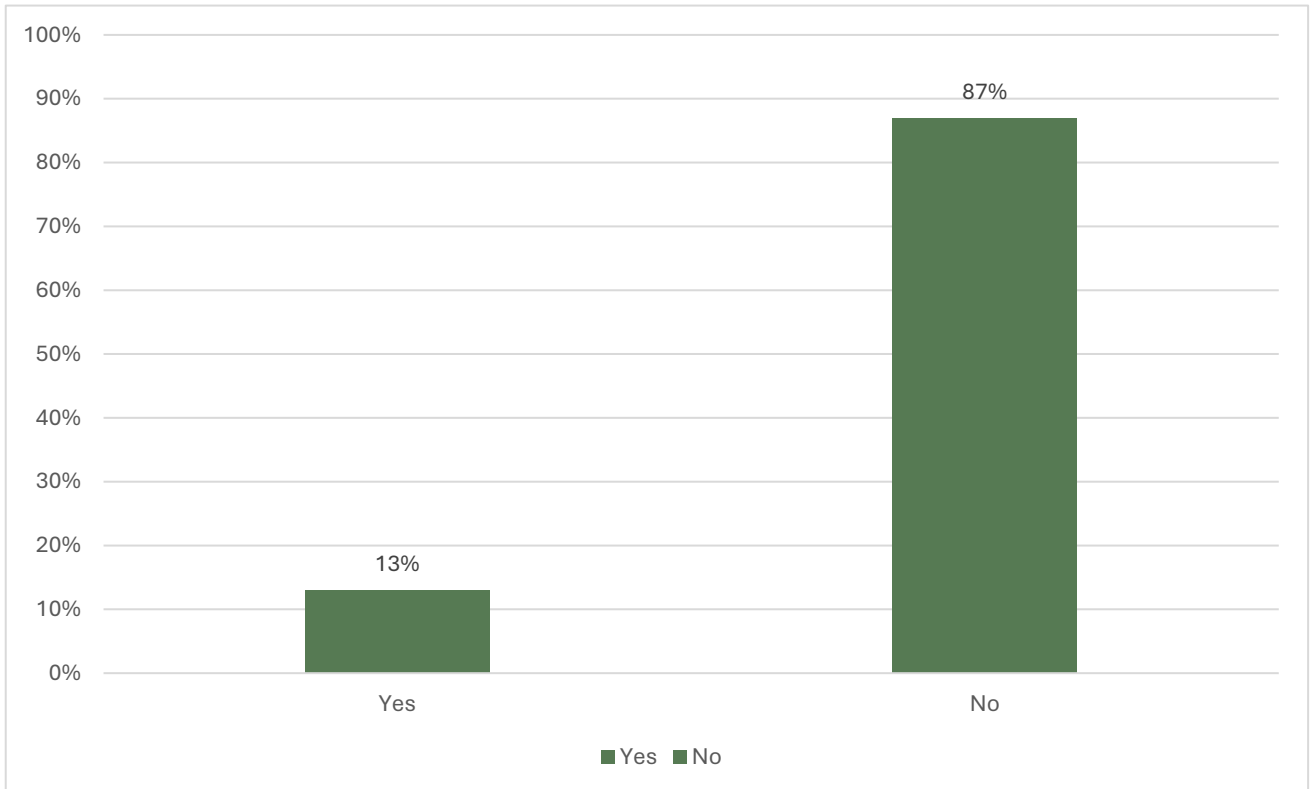


Survey question analysis

Q1. Is the Police and Crime Commissioner a police officer?

Answered: 100

Skipped: 0



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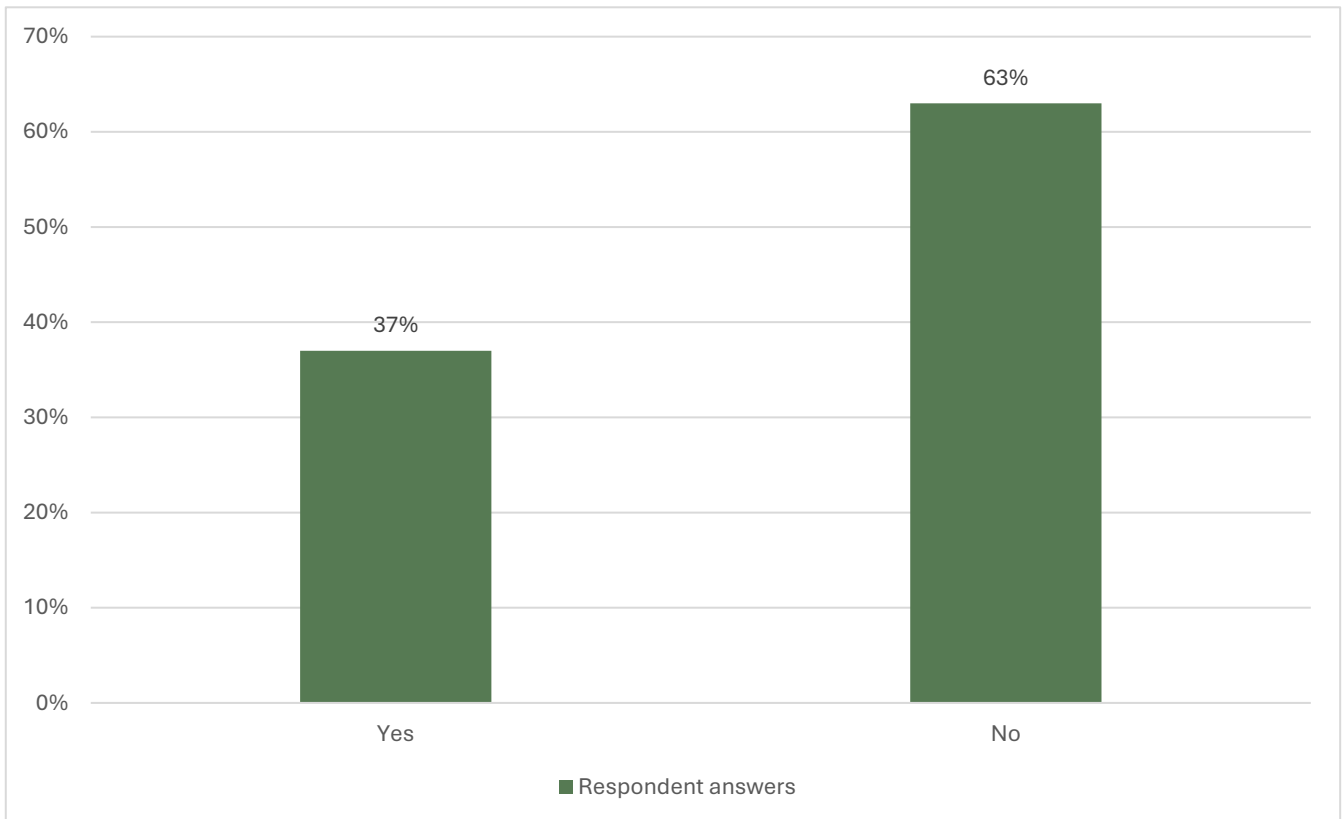
No. The Police and Crime Commissioner is not a police officer.



Q2. Is the Police and Crime Commissioner part of Cheshire Constabulary?

Answered: 100

Skipped: 0



The answer to this question is:

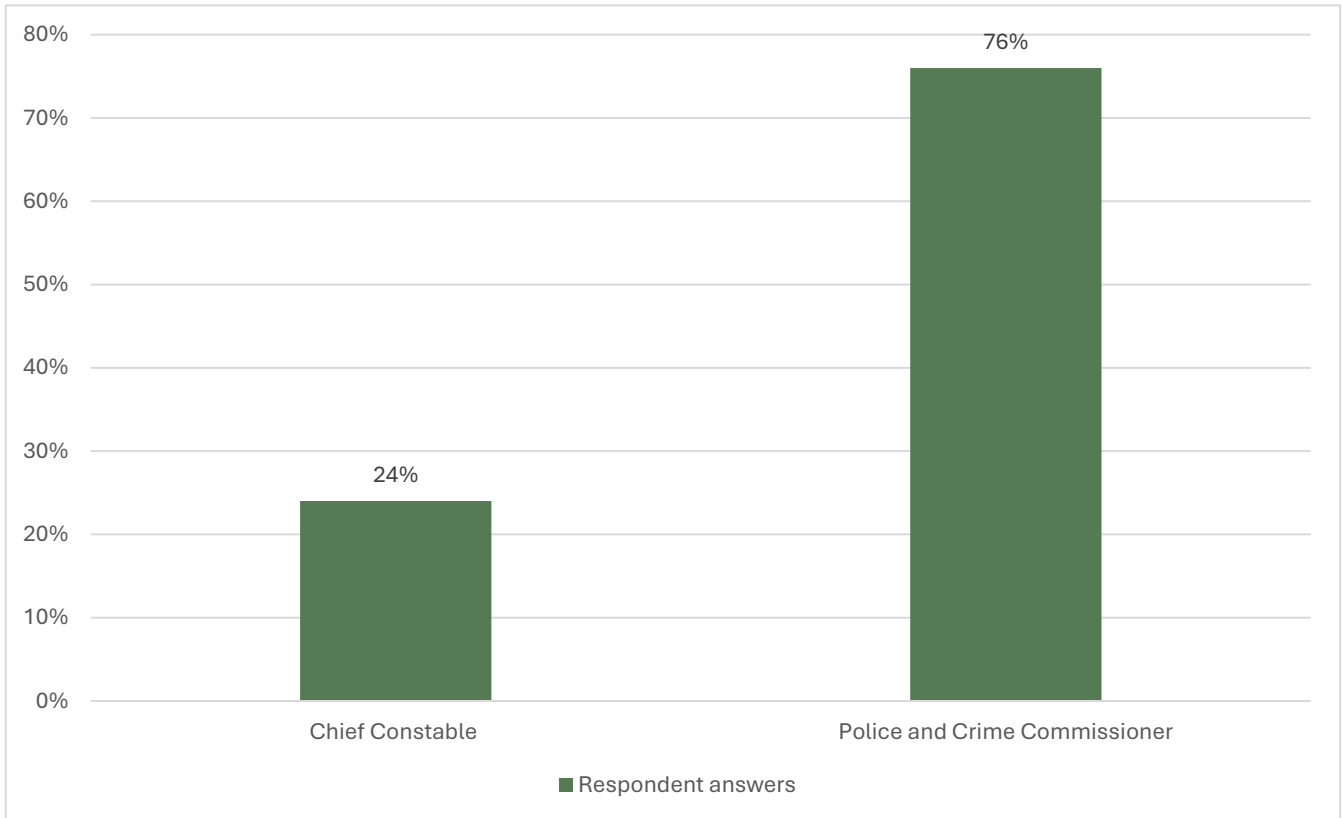
No. The Police and Crime Commissioner and his team is not part of Cheshire Constabulary.



Q3. Who is responsible for setting the police budget?

Answered: 100

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The answer to this question is:

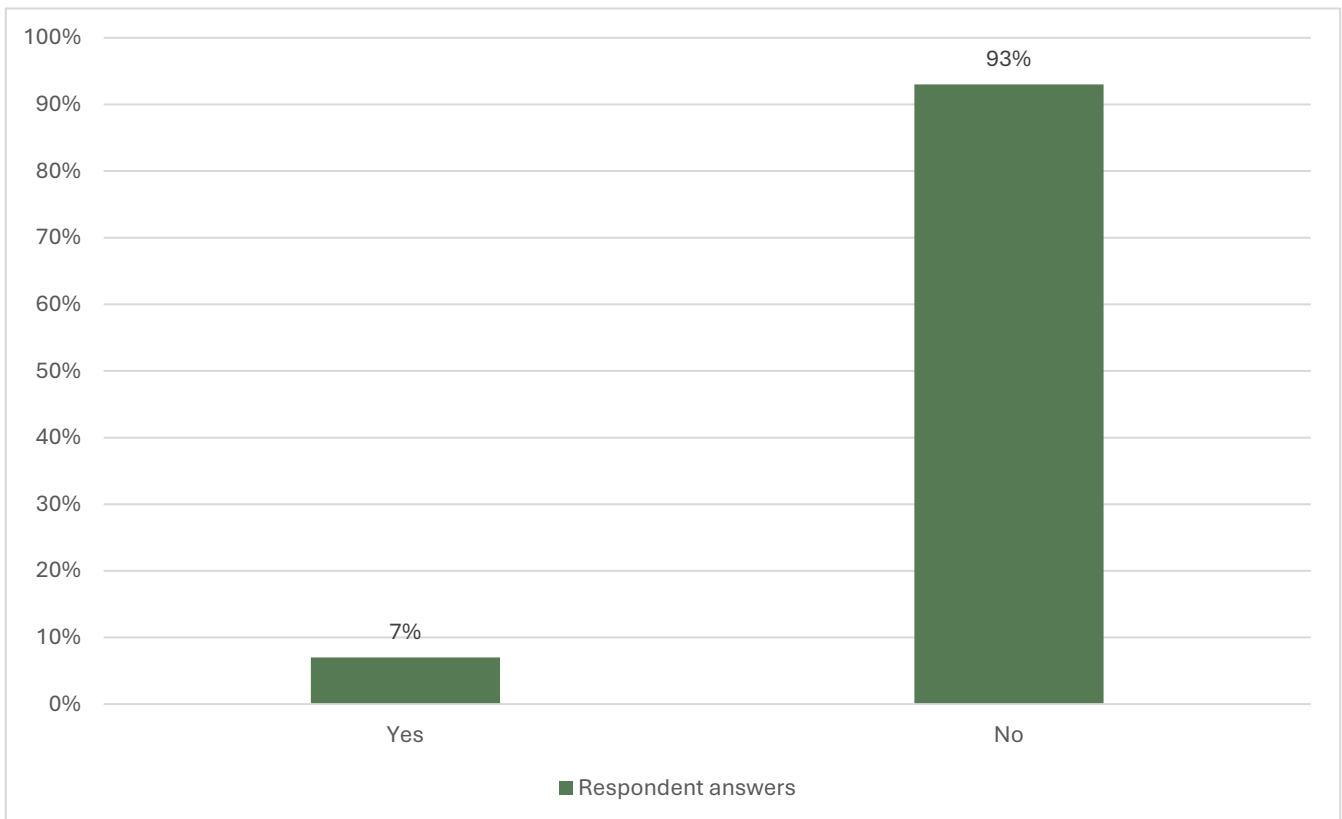
The Police and Crime Commissioner is responsible for setting the police budget.



Q4. Does the Police and Crime Commissioner own the police assets, including the estate?

Answered: 100

Skipped: 0



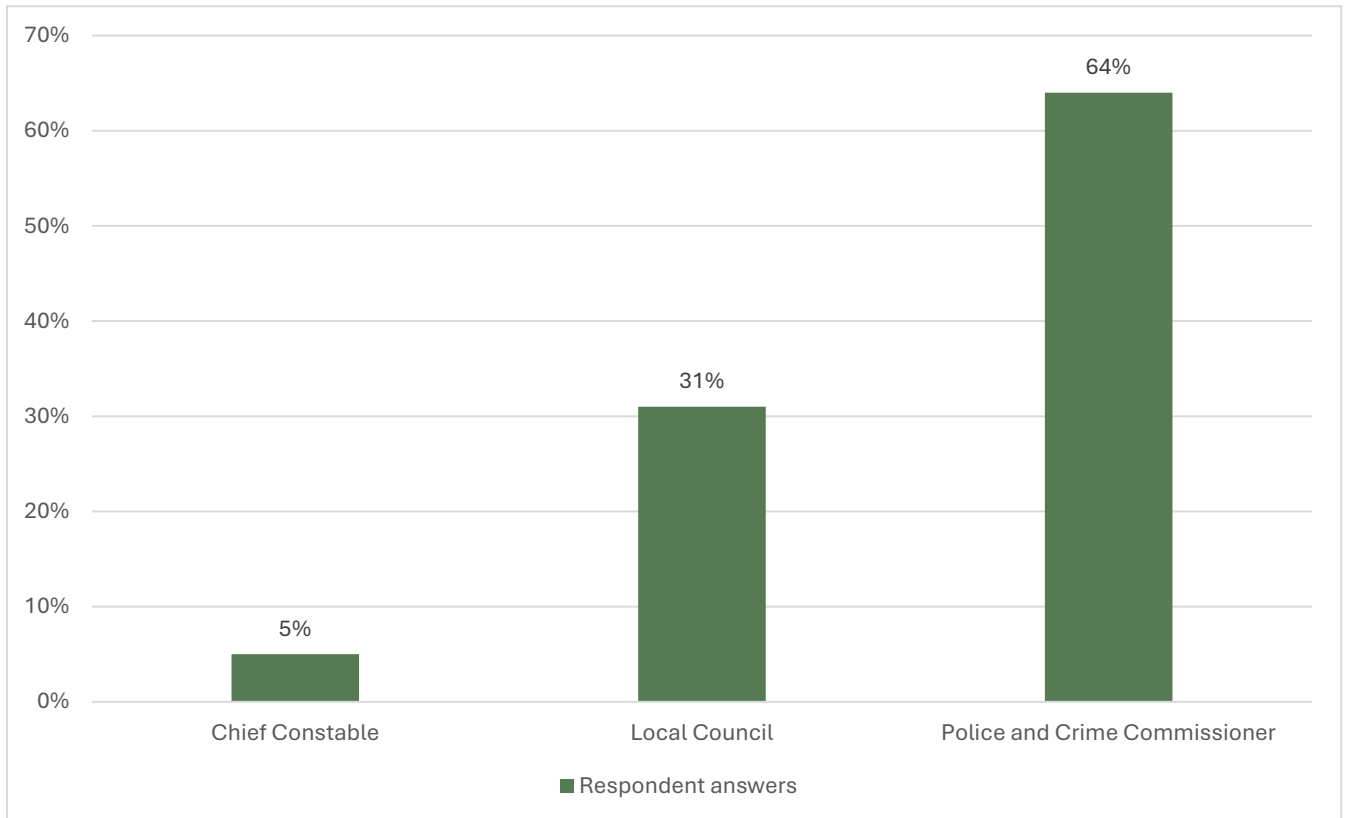
The answer to this question is:

The Police and Crime Commissioner legally owns the police assets, which also includes the estate.



Q5. Who sets the policing element of the council tax (policing precept)?

Answered: 942



The answer to this question is:

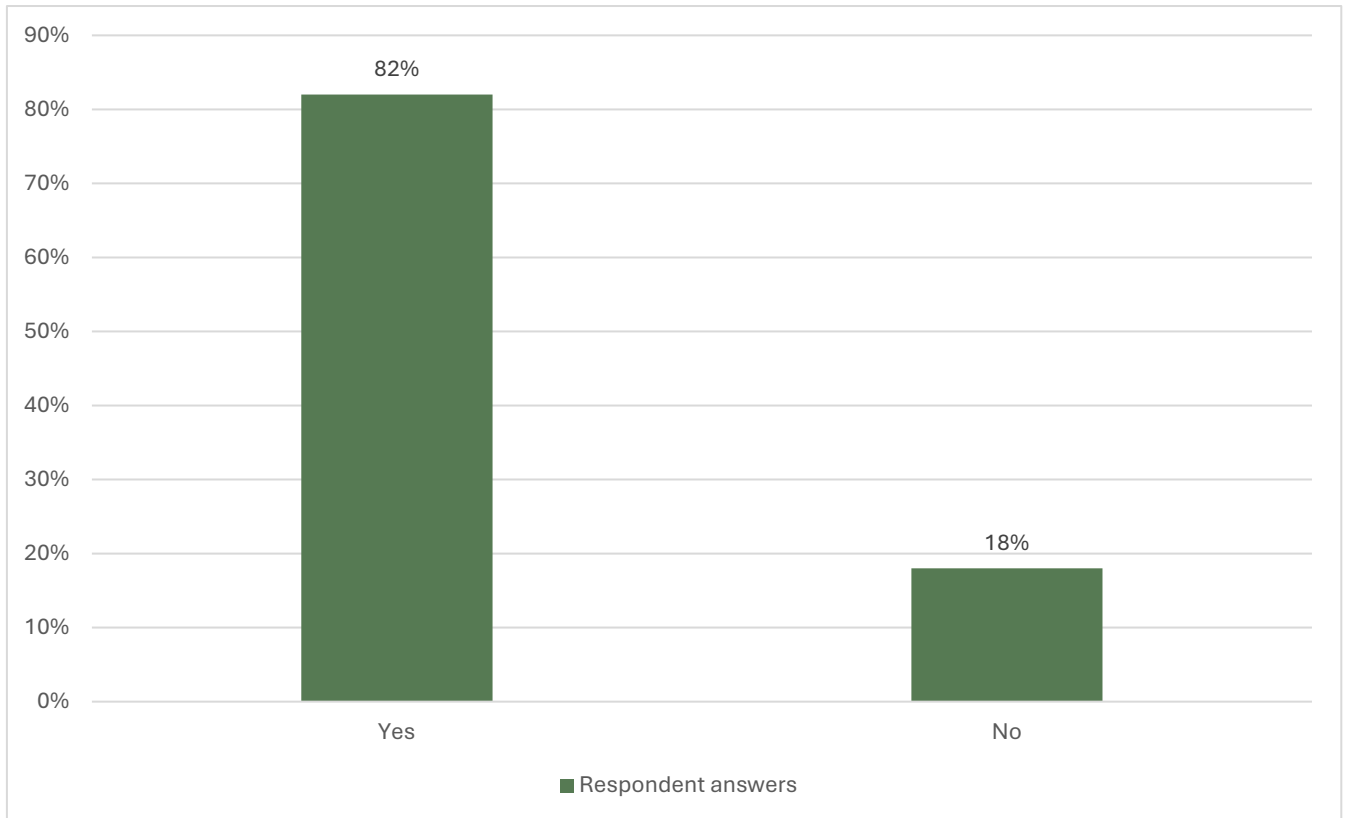
The Police and Crime Commissioner is responsible for setting the policing precept – part of the council tax – which outlines how much the public pay for policing. Feedback from partners and the public is heard from through a public consultation.



Q6. Does the Police and Crime Commissioner provide funding for community projects?

Answered: 100

Skipped: 0



The answer to this question is:

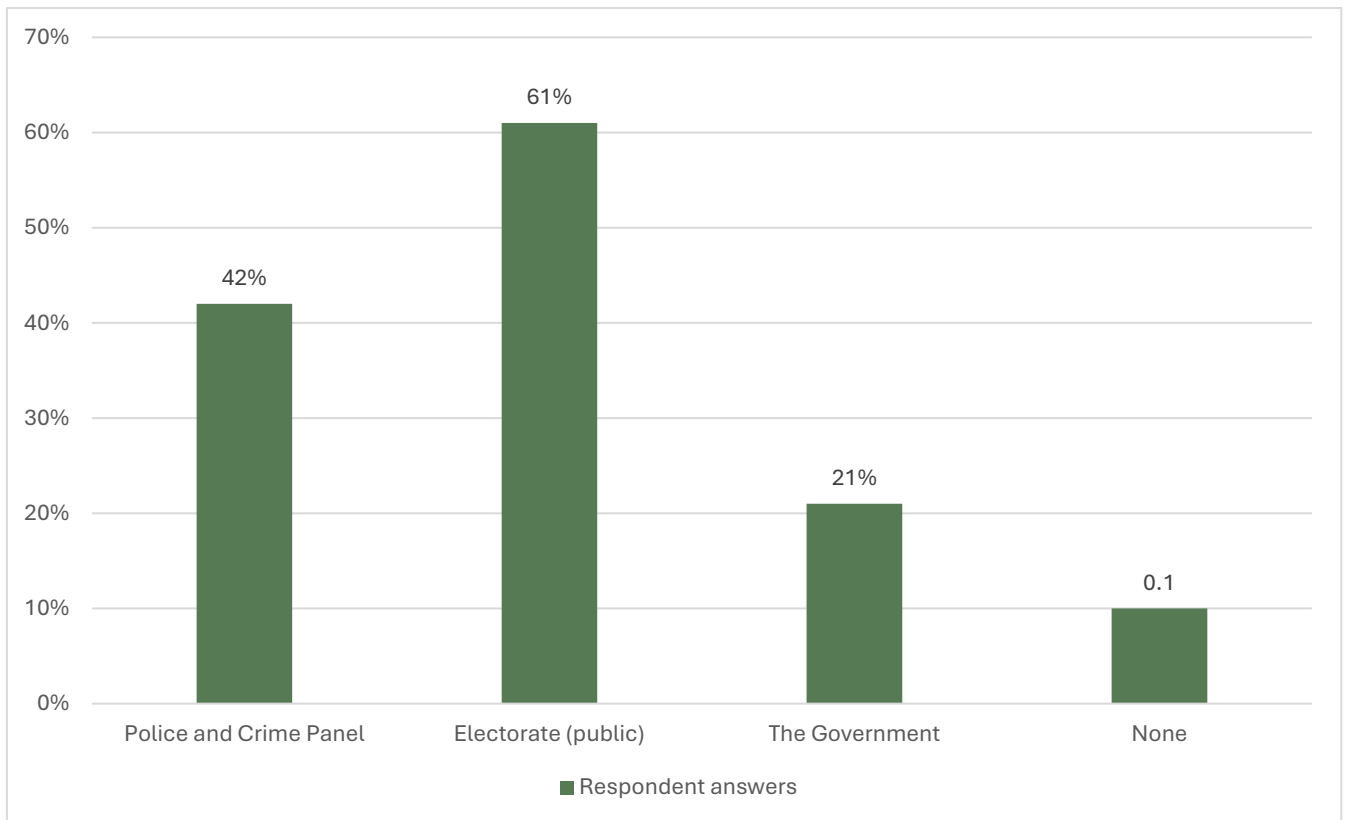
The Police and Crime Commissioner provides funding for community projects. He does this through his SWAP fund. Additional community funding is given through relationships with partners.



Q7. What is in place to hold the Police and Crime Commissioner to account and scrutinise their decisions?

Answered: 98

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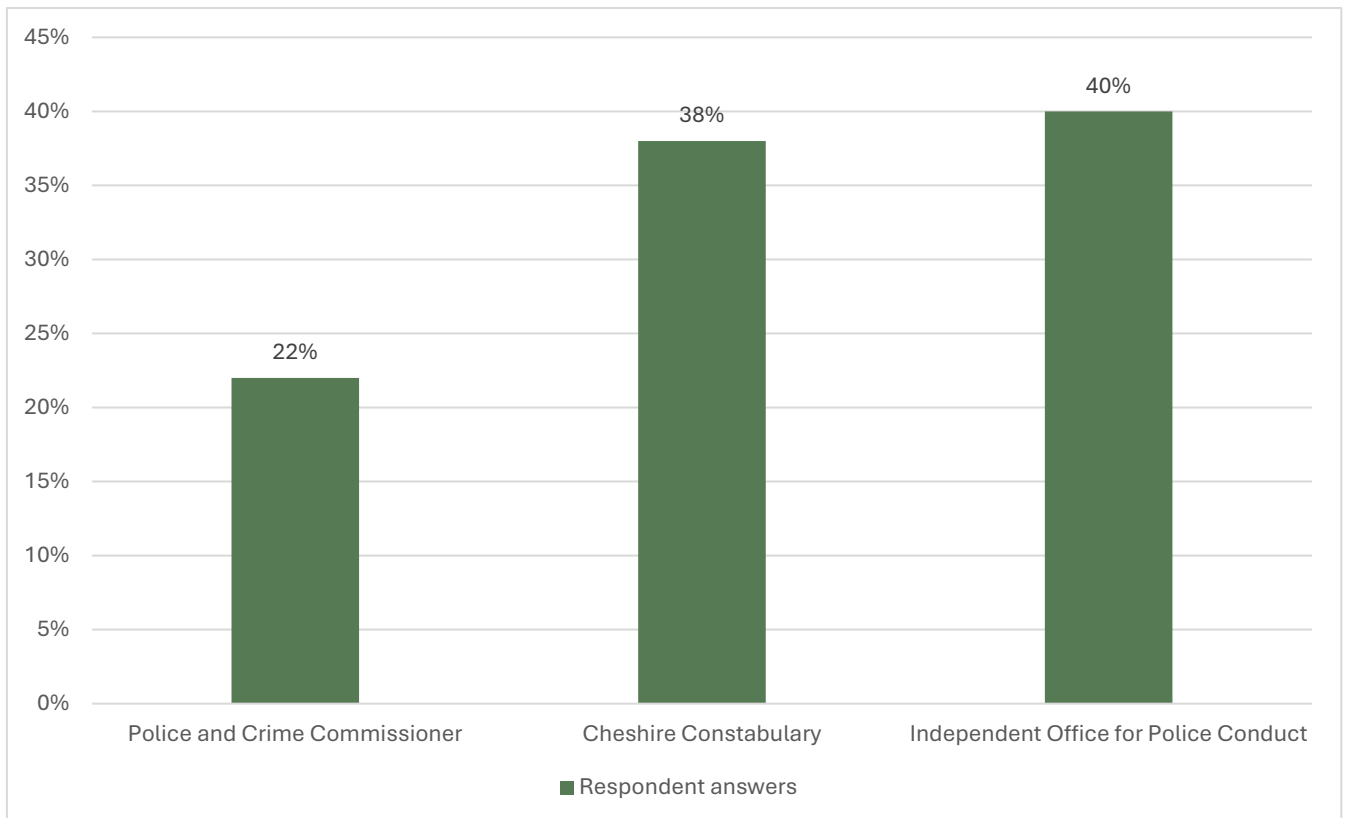
The Police and Crime Panel is the statutory body that holds the Police and Crime Commissioner to account for his actions.



Q8. Who is the first port of call for people wishing to make a complaint about the police?

Answered: 98

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The answer to this question is:

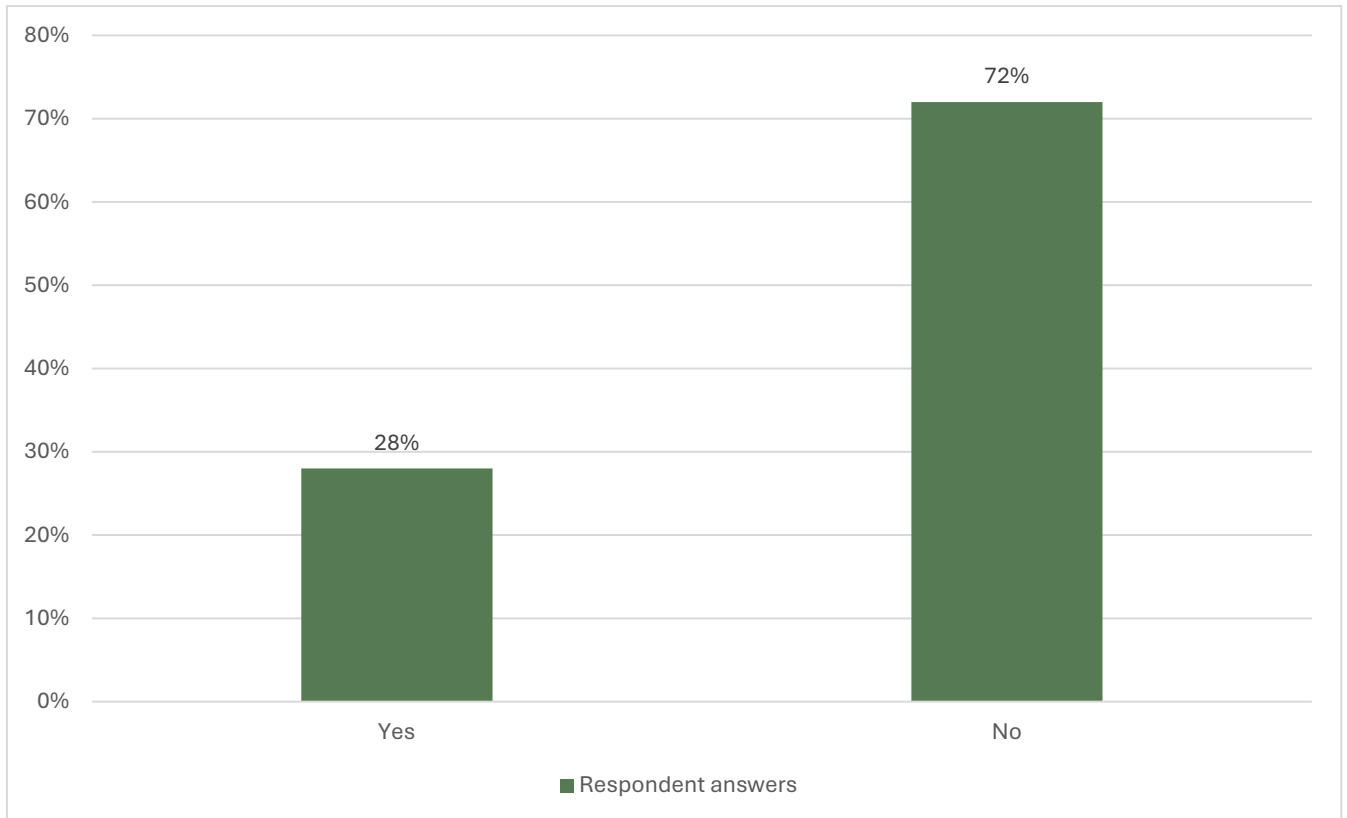
Complaints can be made to Cheshire Constabulary's professional standards department. Alternatively, complainants can contact the Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC), who will then forward the complaint on to the relevant Constabulary.



Q9. Is the Police and Crime Commissioner responsible for making operational decisions, such as choosing where to allocate police resources?

Answered: 97

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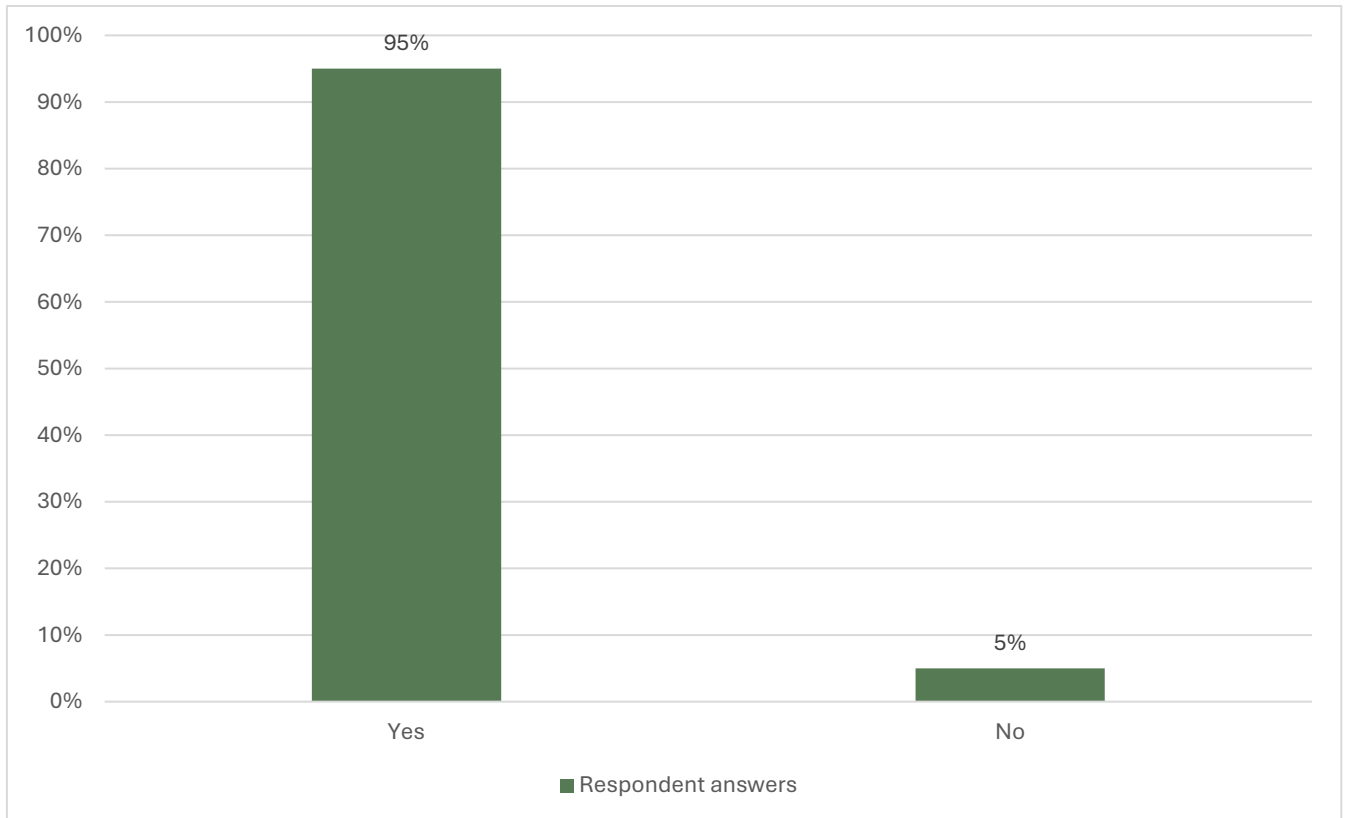
The Police and Crime Commissioner is not responsible for operational decisions, such as choosing where to allocate police resources. This is the responsibility of the Chief Constable.



Q10. Does the Police and Crime Commissioner hold the Chief Constable to account for the efficient and effective running of the police service?

Answered: 97

Skipped: 3



The answer to this question is:

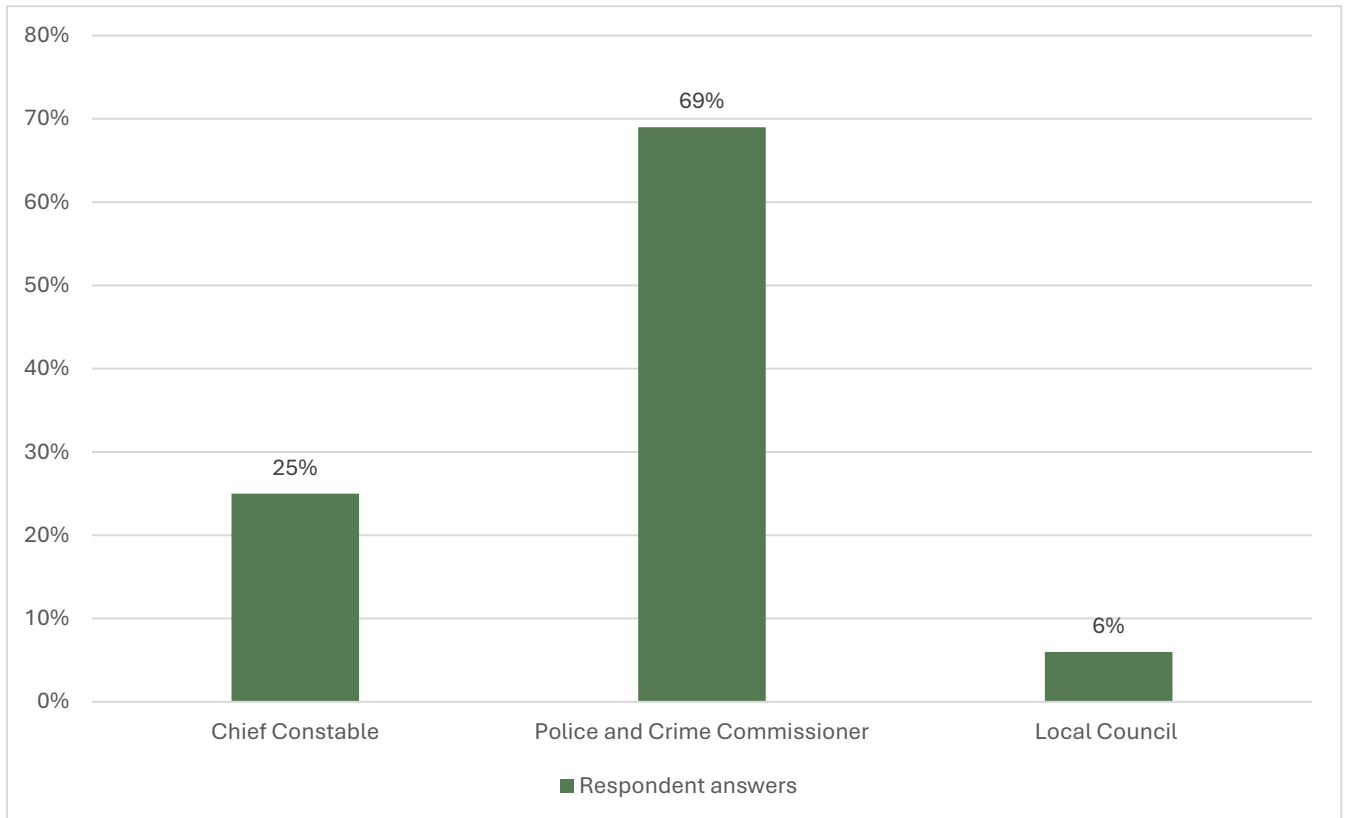
Yes. The Police and Crime Commissioner holds the Chief Constable to account through scrutiny meetings.



Q11. Who sets the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan?

Answered: 97

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The answer to this question is:

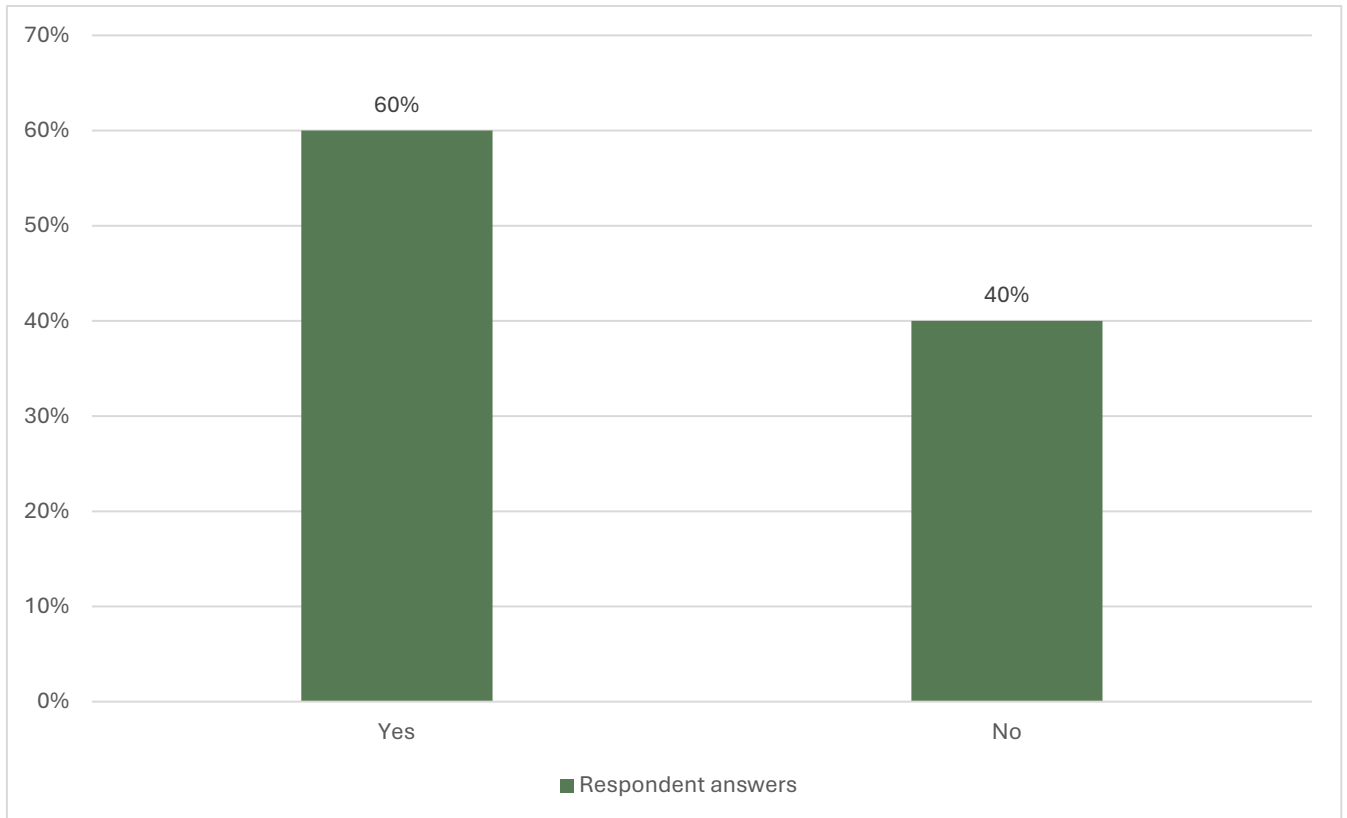
The Police and Crime Commissioner sets the objectives in the Police and Crime Plan. This is done in collaboration with partners and through consultation with the public.



Q12. Is the Police and Crime Commissioner responsible for commissioning victim services in Cheshire?

Answered: 97

Skipped: 3



The answer to this question is:

Yes. The Police and Crime Commissioner is responsible for commissioning victim services in Cheshire.



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Q13. What do you need from us, if anything, to be able to inform your local community about the role of the Police and Crime Commissioner?

Answered: 41

Skipped: 59

This is summarised into the following themes:

- Access to the Police and Crime Commissioner
- Reports
- Briefings
- Leaflets