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# Strategic Communications & Engagement

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The Police Service of Northern Ireland is committed to engaging with our communities, in an open and transparent way, to enhance community safety and build public confidence in policing.

# 1. Policy Statement

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Effective communication with our communities can help solve crimes, bring offenders to justice and “Keep People Safe”. In serving the public we will adhere to the principles of openness, legitimacy and accountability, while complying with all legal and regulatory responsibilities.

The Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) will:

- Provide information to show how police are working to support community safety priorities;
- Issue information to support the delivery of front-line policing;
- Share crime prevention advice to help communities protect themselves and their property;
- Serve the public effectively by ensuring communication is timely, accurate and informative;
- Develop new channels to ensure communication is serving all members of our communities; and
- Develop communication in partnership with relevant agencies.

Information will be managed securely, commensurate with the identified risks, within PSNI’s governance structure and assurance framework.

Information will be accessible and clear to enable police officers and police staff to carry out their duties.

# 2. Policy Links

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The Corporate Policy Framework refers.

# 3. Contact

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