

Independent Councillors are backing Marc Jones

Marc Jones has secured the support of several Independent Councillors in Lincolnshire for his bid to be our next Police and Crime Commissioner.

Chris Brewis, Independent Councillor in Sutton Bridge said: "Marc Jones will have my complete support. If we have to have a PCC, we need a good one. I know Marc will be inclusive for the whole of Lincolnshire, including the remoter parts."



Understanding the issues

Marc Jones got involved with the YMCA's 'sleep easy' initiative and slept rough for a night to understand the plight of the homeless. Marc said: "Understanding the issues on our streets is crucial to effectively prevent crime in the future."

Marc Jones

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Theresa May supports Marc Jones



Meet Marc Jones

Local PCC Candidate Marc Jones answers some regularly asked questions



What are Police and Crime Commissioners responsible for and why is it important people ensure they vote on Thursday 5 May?

Police and Crime Commissioners are the public's elected link between our local police force and communities. They are responsible for police budgets running to hundreds of millions of pounds. They also set the local priorities for policing in the area (like tackling rural crime) - ensuring the police act on them. Rather than these decisions being taken by unaccountable bureaucrats, I think the public should choose their representative.

Why are you the most suitable candidate to replace the outgoing Police and Crime Commissioner in Lincolnshire?

Lincolnshire needs a competent and capable Police and Crime Commissioner. As the current Executive Councillor for Finance and Property on our County Council, I'm already overseeing a £1 billion annual budget which includes fire and rescue services, highways and education. I'll listen to people's concerns and work proactively with Government to tackle them. I'll ensure all of Lincolnshire gets a fair deal, not just our towns and cities.



▲ Marc's Christmas 'Teddy Appeal' was a great success with 100s of teddies being sent out to children in need across Lincolnshire



If you are elected in May, what will your local priorities for policing and crime in Lincolnshire be?

I'll prioritise local and visible officers with powers of arrest by introducing a new 'Community Constables' program in Lincolnshire. Rural crime, street drinking and anti-social behaviour will also be priorities as will be providing better victim support.

Outside of politics, what do you do to get involved with your local community?

I'm a family man and love spending time with my wife and daughter. I also love raising support for charities. Last Christmas my Lincolnshire 'Teddy Appeal' received 100s of teddy bears as gifts for local children who were going through some very tough times.



Committed to tackling rural crime

Marc Jones has been speaking to residents and farmers across rural Lincolnshire and many are concerned about growing crime like livestock, vehicle and business thefts. Peter Moulds, who runs Grange Farm, has suffered from rural crime in the past and is backing Marc's plan to tackle the issues.

Peter said: "Rural crime can have harsh consequences for businesses and the local economy. I believe Marc's idea of recruiting local volunteers to help police the countryside is very worthwhile and could make a real difference."

Making *you* Safer and more Secure

I believe that security begins at home – the most important duty of any government is to keep its people safe. That's why we've taken the steps to cut crime and protect the frontline, even as we reduce the deficit.

And it is why, for the next four years, we have protected the overall police budget. As Conservative PCCs have shown, it's only with the Conservatives that taxpayers, citizens and communities can get value for money and safer places to live, work and do business.



'Community Constables' already onboard

Ensuring we have enough police on the beat is vital to deter crime and prevent the fear of crime. Marc Jones has already heard from many residents willing to volunteer in their community as a 'Community Constable', a new scheme proposed by Marc to provide a stronger police presence across our area.



Your PRIORITIES ARE *my* PRIORITIES

1 INTRODUCE 'COMMUNITY CONSTABLES'

Boost neighbourhood policing with a new 'Community Constables' scheme, recruiting local people willing to offer their time for the good of their community. This will put locally focused officers with powers of arrest at the heart of our communities.

2 FOCUS ON CRIME PREVENTION

Ensuring a keen focus on helping the police to be where they want to be, out in our communities and not fighting with red tape. Preventing crime occurring in the first place reduces the number of victims of crime and the fear of crime.

3 DEAL WITH RURAL CRIME SERIOUSLY

Hare coursing and issues such as theft of livestock, machinery, tools, vehicles and stock are costing jobs and damaging the local economy. An urgent review of the way rural crimes are tackled is needed to ensure our rural communities are kept safe.

4 CLEAN UP OUR STREETS

Street drinking, fly-tipping, litter and excess noise are a blight on our towns and communities in Lincolnshire. Anti-social behaviour can lead to violent crime, domestic abuse and fear of crime. A zero tolerance approach is needed to stamp it out.

5 TREAT VICTIMS OF CRIME COMPASSIONATELY

We must ensure that we treat victims of crime as people, not just a number. The experience of being a victim of crime is bad enough without feeling used by the system. Victims must be better supported with effective aftercare.

6 SPEND TAXPAYERS MONEY WISELY

Over £165,000 was wasted on the unnecessary suspension of Lincolnshire's Chief Constable in 2013 by the outgoing Commissioner. My experience handling £multi-million budgets will ensure similar waste is stopped, leaving more for front line policing.



▲ Marc discussing street drinking and anti-social behaviour issues in Boston



▲ Marc and local campaigners are out in all weathers speaking to the people of Lincolnshire

VOTING GUIDE

In the election for Police and Crime Commissioner **you have a first preference and a second preference. For your vote to be counted you must make a first preference. You don't have to give a second preference.**

If you want a Conservative PCC, you can only guarantee that by voting for **Marc JONES** as your **FIRST PREFERENCE**.

