

ROYAL COMMISSION

Version 4

1. Policy statement

Piecemeal reform only ever addresses short term issues and creates instability. To maximise investment, the Police Federation of England and Wales believe we need an independent Royal Commission, or an overarching independent review of policing, to examine what the public want from their police service including future structure and function, otherwise money and resources risk being poured into the wrong things.

2. Responsibility

The National Board is responsible for all policy formation.

3. Summary

PFEW has called for a Royal Commission into policing for many years. This call has gone unheeded by successive UK Governments, in favour of the piecemeal approach.

PFEW agrees with the HMICFRS view expressed in its report 'Policing in austerity report' July 2014 that "the time is now right for an open and constructive debate across policing on the fundamental aspects of how policing is organised and resourced in the future"

4. Procedures/implementation

We will lobby the Government to set up a Royal Commission, or an overarching independent review of policing.

Responsibility is delegated to the National Secretary and/or appropriate sub-committee.

	Author	Date	Date to be reviewed	Change
Version 1	KP-EP	Jan 2015	Jan 2016	
Version 2	KP-EP	January 2016	January 2017	No change
Version 3	KP-EP	January 2017	January 2018	No change

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Signed by:



National Chair



National Secretary