



COMMISSIONER OF POLICE OF THE METROPOLIS

Applications are invited from senior police officers for this unique post.

The Home Office and the Metropolitan Police Authority (MPA) are jointly advertising for a new Commissioner to lead the Metropolitan Police Service, the biggest police force in the country with over 50,000 staff and a budget of £3.5 billion.

With responsibilities for a national counter-terrorism role, policing London – the country's biggest, most diverse city and its capital – and policing major events including the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics, the new Commissioner will ensure that Londoners, and people across the UK, can feel safe, confident that they are protected from crime and that their security is a priority.

The Commissioner is accountable to the Home Secretary; to the MPA, chaired by the Mayor of London; and must answer to Londoners and the public nationally.

The successful candidate will have proven leadership skills in operational policing, in working with partners and diverse communities, and in managing resources and complex organisations. He or she will demonstrate an outstanding track record in countering terrorism, serious and organised crime, and serious violent crime; in managing change in neighbourhood and other policing functions; and in building the public's confidence in the service at all levels. He or she will be a key leader of policing nationally.

Applicants should be serving UK chief constables or of equivalent UK ranks and above, or have recent experience at these levels. Because of the role of the Commissioner in national security, applicants must be British citizens.

The appointment will be made by Her Majesty The Queen following a recommendation by the Home Secretary under the Police Act 1996. Before making this recommendation the Home Secretary will have regard to any recommendations made to her by the MPA and any representations from the Mayor of London. The successful applicant will be appointed in spring 2009 at the latest. The appointment will be for a period of five years.

For details of how to apply please contact Victoria Presland, Home Office, 6th Floor Fry Building, 2 Marsham Street, London SW1P 4DF – telephone 020 7035 1947, email: CommissionerAppointment@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

Applications to be received by 12 noon on 1st December 2008.

The MPA and MPS are equal opportunities employers fully committed to diversity and expect all applicants to have an understanding of, and commitment to, equal opportunities and diversity.

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