

IAG

Wigan and Leigh Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs)

What is an Independent Advisory Group?

IAGs aim to be reflective of the local communities and act as critical friends in providing advice to the police.

Why independent advice?

We are keen to make sure that we deliver the highest quality police services to all of the communities within the area. However, we need advice from members of the community to make sure that our services match their needs as closely as possible.

What is an independent advisor?

Independent advisors may be any members of the community. They need to have an interest in policing and how it affects their community. We want advisors to point out any criticisms they may have, but also to offer suggestions about things that could be done better.

What would I be doing?

IAGs provide challenging advice to the police. The specific subject matter would depend on which IAG you join. Some subjects may be put forward to you for consideration and advice and some you may want to raise with the police. However, whatever you are discussing it is vital that you feel you can give an honest and challenging view. Police are committed to making Wigan feel safe and your views are instrumental in shaping how we do this.

What will the police do with the advice?

The police will carefully consider the advice and will be responsible for any actions they take. IAG members will not be responsible for the actions of the police. There may be occasions when the police do not take any action after members have advised them. This doesn't mean that we don't value the advice. However, if we do not respond to the advice, we will be responsible if anything goes wrong.

How often do I have to go to a meeting?

This depends on the IAG as some meet quarterly and some more frequently.



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