

**LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE AUTHORITY**

**REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY 2008/09**

**BARRIE ROPER**

During the last year I have in my role as Vice-Chairman represented that Authority on the national, regional and local stage both in support of the Chairman and as a member.

My roles include the East Midlands' Collaboration Board which is seeing savings across the Force area and increasing efficiencies in conjunction with the East Midlands' Joint Committee which is striving to ensure Leicestershire's highest recognition for high performance and value for money.

My personal roles within the Authority are many and varied covering areas such as Finance and General Purposes and Professional Standards. As Chairman of the Performance Panel my role endeavours to bring change and improvements both in efficiency savings and Force performance. I am a member of the Strategic Financial Planning Group which takes a long term strategic view and feeds into the decision making process of the Performance Panel, Finance and General Purposes Committee and the whole Authority.

Like colleagues, much of my time is directed to local consultation in conjunction with Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships (CDRPs), Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs), Local Policing Units and Joint Action Groups within local communities ensuring a greater feeling of confidence.

During the last twelve months, I have attended 93% of the expected Authority, committee and panel meetings.

My Leicestershire Police Authority duties are in addition to my role as a Rutland County Councillor and duties in my elected ward. I have responsibilities as Chairman of the Community Safety Partnership, lead member for public rights of way and various outside bodies.

I believe that in my public roles, I offer good value but above all retain my enthusiasm for public service.