

## CUMBRIA POLICE AUTHORITY



### APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT CUSTODY VISITORS

Cumbria Police Authority operates an Independent Custody Visiting Scheme that enables volunteers to visit police stations to check on the treatment of detainees and the conditions in which they are held. The Scheme offers protections to detainees and the police and reassurance to the community in general.

Cumbria Police Authority is looking for volunteers to join the Scheme in the Carlisle and Eden areas, making visits to the custody suites in Carlisle and Penrith.

If successful you will be appointed for three years with the possibility of a second three year appointment. Travelling expenses will be reimbursed but no salary will be paid. Training is provided.

You must be at least 18 years of age and live or work in Cumbria.

#### **We are looking for people with:-**

- the ability to communicate well both orally and in writing;
- an independent and impartial view in relation to everyone involved in the custody visiting process;
- willingness to work as part of a team;
- a commitment to fairness and equality.

The Police Authority wishes to reflect the composition of the area and welcomes applications from all eligible people irrespective of gender, ethnic origin, religious belief, sexual orientation, disability or any other factor.

If you would like further information, or an application pack, please contact Stuart Edwards at Cumbria Police Authority, Authority Office, Carleton Hall, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 2AU, telephone: 01768 217732, or E-mail: [stuart.edwards@cumbria.pnn.police.uk](mailto:stuart.edwards@cumbria.pnn.police.uk)

#### **Closing date for applications – Friday 3 October 2008**

*Cumbria Police Authority is the independent local authority with responsibility for maintaining an efficient and effective police force in Cumbria and for securing best value in local policing services.*

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