



APCC BRIEFING

Chief Constable appointments,
November 2020 – April 2021

September 2023

Further to our earlier discussion please find below the dates of the six chief constable appointments in England and Wales made in the seven months prior to the 2021 PCC elections. Please note that in the case of Greater Manchester the mayoral election also took place on 6 May 2021. All information contained in this briefing is in the public domain.

South Wales

Jeremy Vaughan was appointed Chief Constable of South Wales in November 2020 following the departure of CC Matt Jukes to the Metropolitan Police Service.

Lincolnshire

Chris Haward was appointed Chief Constable of Lincolnshire in December 2020 following the retirement of CC Bill Skelly. The appointment of Chris Haward came after procedural difficulties halted the confirmation and appointment of an alternative preferred candidate in October 2020.

Lancashire

Chris Rowley was appointed in December 2020 to succeed Andy Rhodes as Chief Constable of Lancashire, he took up post in April 2021.

Greater Manchester

Following the resignation of Ian Hopkins in December 2020, Stephen Watson was appointed the new Chief Constable of Greater Manchester in March 2021, taking up the post in June 2021.

Cheshire





Mark Roberts was appointed Chief Constable of Cheshire in March 2021, taking up post in April 2021. The previous Chief Constable had announced in late December 2020 his intention to retire in Spring 2021.

Merseyside

Serena Kennedy was appointed Chief Constable of Merseyside in March 2021, taking up appointment in May 2021, following the announcement of Andy Cooke's retirement in January 2021.

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