



PS 037 Prison Visits Policy

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Statement of legislative compliance

This document has been drafted to comply with the general and specific duties in the Equality Act 2010; Data Protection Act; Freedom of Information Act; European Convention of Human Rights; Employment Act 2002; Employment Relations Act 1999, and other legislation relevant to policing.

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The aims and objectives of this policy is to ensure that prison visits are conducted adhering to strict guidelines and with the informed consent of the prison Governor.

Policy statement

When a person is in prison custody circumstances may arise during crime investigation where it is necessary for Nottinghamshire Police to interview that person either at the prison or if necessary at a designated Police station.

Such occasions will be conducted adhering to strict guidelines and with the informed consent of the prison Governor. When a prisoner is being held at a Police station they will be detained in compliance with the Police and Criminal Evidence Act and Nottinghamshire Police will afford them the same rights as if they were in prison custody. We will return them to prison custody at the earliest opportunity and in any case within the timescale allowed.

To ensure our actions are appropriate, specific levels of authority will be obtained. We will maintain records of all requests for interview which will be managed and co ordinated by the Force Intelligence Bureau.