



## Paddy Tipping

Paddy Tipping lives in Bakersfield in Nottingham. His early years were spent in West Yorkshire, near Halifax where he went to Hipperholme Grammar School, before moving to Nottingham in 1969 to go to University. He studied Philosophy at the University of Nottingham and then subsequently gained an MA in Social Sciences in 1978.

Since that time he has laid his roots in Nottingham and hasn't looked back since.

Paddy says he has always enjoyed working with people since he started his career. That career spans over 40 years during which time he has worked as a Social Worker, Project Leader for the Children's Society in the city, as a Nottinghamshire County Councillor and as a Member of Parliament (MP) for Sherwood.

## The People's Commissioner

He has met many interesting people through these experiences who have each, in their own way, inspired him to become the People's Commissioner. He sees his job as representing local people by listening to their experiences of policing and community safety matters in their areas, and tackling the issues that matter to them on their behalf.

During his career he has worked with many young people, individuals from less-privileged backgrounds and members of local BME communities and he believes that it is important to engage with each of these groups, as well as others, in order to form a true picture of the types of issues are affecting communities around both city and county areas.

### **Paddy was a Member of Parliament (MP) 1992 to 2010 and he believes that his experiences from this period will help him in his new role as Nottinghamshire's Police and Crime Commissioner.**

Paddy explored, challenged and evaluated many different subjects during his time in Parliament. These range from energy and carbon emissions, local planning issues, rights of access for walkers to compensation for ex-miners with health problems. He has always believed that it is right to stand up for what you believe in - and intends to use his knowledge and skills acquired through his past achievements to represent the views of local people and improve policing and community safety across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.

### **Paddy has a number of links with local organisations.**

In addition to his role as Nottinghamshire's Police and Crime Commissioner, he is Chair of the Nottinghamshire Community Foundation which is the largest grant giving body locally. He is Chair of the Notts LIFT Co partnerships, which have built many of Nottingham's and Nottinghamshire's new health centres, as well as being the Vice President of the Ramblers Association.

Paddy also occasionally works as a lecturer at the University of Nottingham.

### **Paddy also has a number of hobbies that keep him on his toes including running and rambling.**

Keeping fit is really important to Paddy personally and being out in the fresh air gives him a chance to think.

He also finds spending time with his daughters and four young grandchildren is always a joy - although the young ones are all very early risers!