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Re: FOI – John Champion calls himself a Politician on his Facebook Page

Thank you for your email dated 27th July 2017. I am not treating this as a Freedom of Information request as the questions are not a request for information, but a request for an explanation.

Police and Crime Commissioners are elected in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011. Mr. Champion was elected on 5th May 2016. In that election he represented the Conservative Party and is still a member of that party. Other Police and Crime Commissioners are referred to as politicians as they all hold elected positions.

Mr. Champion has a personal Facebook, which I assume is the one you refer to. He is entitled to manage his personal Facebook page as he sees fit. The official Police and Crime Commissioners Facebook page can be found here <https://en-gb.facebook.com/WestMerciaPCC/>

Yours sincerely

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