Supplementary Vote System

- Under supplementary voting there are two columns on the ballot paper. Column one is for votes to mark their first choice candidate, column two is for voters to mark (if they so wish) their second choice candidate.
- 2. All first choice votes are counted, if one candidate has an absolute majority (ie: 50% +1) they are elected. However, if one candidate does not achieve a majority, the top two candidates continue to a second round count and all other candidates are eliminated. The ballot papers from those eliminated candidates are then reviewed and second choices votes for the remaining candidates are counted. Whichever candidate has the most votes after these second preferences votes have been allocated is declared elected.
- 3. Every police force in England and Wales, with the exception of the Metropolitan Police and City of London (where the mayor will act) will have a PCC. PCCs will produce a five year police and crime plan, set the force budget and determine the precept. They will have a reciprocal duty to co-operate with Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) and will have to establish local co-operative arrangements with the Criminal Justice System.
- 4. PCCs and CSPs will have due regard for each others' priorities ie. Those set out in the Police and Crime Plan and within CSP Strategic Assessments and Partnership Plans. PCCs will be scrutinised by a Police and Crime Panel made up of representatives from each Local Authority in the police force area. Annex 1 sets out the role of the PCC and what that means nationally and for York.