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RT Hon Theresa May MP, Home Secretary

1 March 2016

Dear Home Secretary

Re: HMIC PEEL: Police Effectiveness, Efficiency, Legitimacy 2015

I welcome your publication of the report issued by Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary - entitled *PEEL: Police Effectiveness, Efficiency, Legitimacy 2015* - in which Leicestershire Police has been graded 'good' across all three areas.

The HMI's assessment is consistent with my own view of the force, whose dedicated officers and staff work tirelessly to protect the people of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and keep their communities safe.

I believe the report and overall conclusions will increase public confidence in Leicestershire Police and provide reassurance amongst communities that their local police can be relied upon to do a good job when needed.

I am also pleased that the Inspectorate shares my own view of the capabilities of Leicestershire's leadership, recognising it is a well-led force.

It should be noted that these assessments have been made during a time of great financial challenge, necessitating significant changes in the way that service is delivered. It is testament to the strength of leadership within the force that Leicestershire Police is in such a strong and healthy position.

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I, and my successor, will now watch closely to see how the force responds to calls for improvements to be made around the use of Stop and Search, ending delays in the allocation of some investigations and its work around domestic abuse and child sexual exploitation.

Yours sincerely;

Sir Clive Loader KCB OBE
Police and Crime Commissioner for Leicestershire