



**POLICE & CRIME
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Our ref: RM/OPCC

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Roy Wilsher OBE QFSM
Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary
Her Majesty's Inspector of Fire & Rescue Services
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Dear Mr Wilsher,

The College of Policing, HMICFRS and the IOPC have completed a super-complaint investigation on the topic of 'police perpetrated domestic abuse' (PPDA). The investigation was responding to a super-complaint submitted by the Centre for Women's Justice in March 2020.

As a result of the complaint investigation the authors have made a recommendation for all Police and Crime Commissioners as described below.

"PCCs, MoJ and Chief Constables should make sure their provision of domestic abuse support services and guidance is capable of meeting the specific needs of all non-police and police victims of PPDA.

For PCCs, this should include the following: PCCs considering whether local services are capable of dealing with the specific risks and vulnerabilities of PPDA victims and supporting them when engaging with the police complaints and disciplinary system.

The Police and Crime Commissioner has accepted this recommendation and will undertake the following:

- Conduct a review of the PCC commissioned Domestic Abuse services to ensure they are fit for purpose to deal with PPDA.
- Formally request a review and assurance from the Chief Constable around how the police deal with victims (both Police and Non-police) of PPDA.
- Review will also be taken of Commissioned services to ensure the appropriate protocols are in place to ensure any residual risk are mitigated at the earliest opportunity.
- Operational performance management information will be constructed to enable the OPCC to maintain effective oversight of misconduct matters allied to PPDA.



- Further consideration will be given to the OPCC Ethics and Transparency Panel reviewing cases to ensure there is an auditable reference point enabling transparency in terms of process and integrity in terms of specific cases.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rupert Matthews', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Rupert Matthews
Police and Crime Commissioner