West Mercia Police and Crime Panel

Mr John Campion West Mercia Police and Crime Commissioner Hindlip Hall Worcester WR3 8SP

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Dear Mr Campion

ANNUAL REPORT

Thank you for attending the meeting of the Police and Crime Panel on 15 June and presenting your draft Annual Report for 2019-20. In accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act, please accept this letter as the report of the Panel following its consideration of your Annual Report.

During that consideration, the Panel made points concerning:

- The importance of public engagement and using a variety of methods to reach all communities.
- The number of Hate Crimes resulting in police action of the 1561 reported.
- The detail about how many recorded stop and search procedures have been conducted in order for 36.4% to result in Police action.
- The impact of the development of the Athena project on the ability of the Police to share information, although the 'We Don't Buy Crime' initiative was highlighted as a positive use of technology.

The Panel made one recommendation, which was that statistics from the previous year are copied on a like for like basis within the current year, thereby showing performance changes as well as providing the ability to identify trends.

I look forward to your response to this letter prior to publishing the Annual Report.

Yours sincerely

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