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Enquiries to: Kim Salter

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Our reference: FOI00384

Your reference:

Dear Ms Russell

# Your request under Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

Thank you for contacting the office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for information about the new responsibilities for Police and Crime Commissioners including the reviewing (appeal) of complaints against police. Your request was received on 27 July 2020 and given the reference FOI00384.

You have requested the following information:

#### Request 1:

Copies of all documents concerning the preparation and enquiries conducted for this new responsibility including whether the function is outsourced or reviews are conducted in house.

## Response 1:

The responsibility for undertaking reviews of police complaints is conducted inhouse.

It was announced in 2017 that changes to the police complaints and disciplinary system would take place and that Police & Crime Commissioners would be required to undertake a range of new responsibilities, including the responsibility of reviewing some complaints against the police. From that time until it came into force on 1 February 2020, a number of internal discussions took place, resulting in a formal decision presented to the Police and Crime Commissioner, which is available online at: <a href="Decision-PCCML-000444-2018.pdf">Decision-PCCML-000444-2018.pdf</a>. I have attached the associated business case to this response.











In addition, a report was prepared and provided to the Police & Crime Commissioner for a decision to approve an Update to Scheme of Delegation and Consent in response to the changes. The decision is publicly available to view and can be found via the following link on the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner's website: <a href="Decision-PCCML-000518-2020.pdf">Decision-PCCML-000518-2020.pdf</a> Annex A referred to in the decision notice is also publicly available and can be viewed via the following link: <a href="Scheme-of-Delegation-and-Consent-v4.0.pdf">Scheme-of-Delegation-and-Consent-v4.0.pdf</a>

### Request 2:

If conducted in-house, how many staff have been trained to carry out reviews, how was this training conducted and when.

### Response 2:

Two members of staff have been trained to carry out reviews. The training was conducted by the Independent Office for Police Conduct (IOPC) as a workshop and took place in January 2020.

If you are unhappy with the way the request has been handled or the decision made, you have the right to require the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire to review the decision. Complaints should be made in writing to <a href="mailto:opcc@hampshire.pnn.police.uk">opcc@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</a>. If you are unhappy with the outcome of the review, you can contact the Information Commissioner. Their details can be obtained by visiting: <a href="https://ico.org.uk/">https://ico.org.uk/</a>

Yours sincerely

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