

Tuesday 28 July 2015

Dear Sam

Re: ANNUAL REPORT, 2014/15

Thank you for your email of 23 July which comprised a written record of the observations and comments made by the panel at its meeting on Friday 17 July about my draft Annual Report 2014/15.

I note, and am grateful for, the detailed observations made by the panel, and I have considered carefully whether the report requires amendment in the light of these observations.

I have amended the typographical error to a statistic quoted on page 19.

I have amended the overall crime figures quoted in some sections of the report to ensure they are consistent with those reported by the Office of National Statistics which were published a few days after the panel met. This does not change the overall reduction in crime quoted elsewhere in the report as 2.7% during the year under review.

I acknowledge the request for further, comparative data to be included in the report regarding the national context around the local performance in relation to drug and alcohol treatment completions. However, it would take some not inconsiderable time to gather, prepare and quality assure this information, and rather than unduly delay the publication of this report, this is a recommendation I will encourage my successor to adopt to ensure it is captured and reflected in next year's Annual Report.

For similar reasons, I will suggest that my successor incorporates some commentary and statistical data in relation to compliments received in the section of next year's annual report which focuses on complaints, and also considers whether to include more information about the activities of his or her office in helping to impact upon crime rates.

The observation made concerning police activity in relation to drug and alcohol work involving those for whom English is no their first language was, I believe the panel agreed, an issue for the Chief Constable to consider from an operational perspective rather than a request for additional narrative to be included within the Annual report.



Finally, can I thank the panel for the attention is has given to the report, and for the generous compliments members paid to its ease of reading, its completeness and for their kind comments about the overall reduction is crime by 2.7% in the reporting period.

With warmest wishes

Clie Loade

Sir Clive Loader KCB OBE

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