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Mr Ron Hogg  
Durham Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner  
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6 June 2019

Dear Mr Hogg,

**Police and Crime Panel Response to the proposed appointment of Chief Constable**

On behalf of the Durham Police and Crime Panel, I would like to thank your representative Steve White, Chief Executive, Office of the Police Crime and Victims' Commissioner and Jo Farrell for attending the Panel's Confirmation hearing on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

In accordance with Schedule 8 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, the Police and Crime Panel is required to provide a response following consideration of your report and responses to questions from Members of the Police and Crime Panel.

Following consideration of your report and comprehensive responses from Jo Farrell to questions on professional competence and personal independence the Panel was unanimous in its decision to recommend approval of your proposed appointment of Jo Farrell as Chief Constable for Durham Constabulary. In particular, the panel were impressed with the quality of the answers given to the panel's questions and the breadth of experience demonstrated.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cllr Lucy Hovvels M.B.E.".

Councillor Lucy Hovvels M.B.E.  
Chair of the Durham Police and Crime Panel

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