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Mr Ron Hogg Durham Police and Crime Commissioner County Hall Durham DH1 5UL

4th March 2015

Dear Mr Hogg,

## Police and Crime Panel Response to the Police and Crime Plan refresh 2015-2017

As Chair of the Durham Police and Crime Panel, I would like to thank you for attending the Panel's meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 to present and respond to questions on your refreshed Police and Crime Plan.

The revised plan provides a comprehensive document that in a succinct approach clearly identifies your vision, objectives, key areas of focus, how these will be delivered through partnership working and measurements for outcomes and holding the Chief Constable to account.

The panel acknowledge the wide ranging approach to consultation including engagement with County Durham Area Action Partnerships, Safe Durham Partnership and Darlington Community Safety Partnership. In addition, the Panel would like to thank you for considering feedback by the Panel following its meeting in December 2014 and welcome your document 'Consultation Findings and Response' following the consultation period.

Members acknowledge the vast amount of work that has been undertaken throughout the past year in contributing to delivery of your priorities and to develop the refreshed strategy. The Panel also note that within the context of current financial pressures County Durham and Darlington remains amongst of the safest places in the country to live.

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To conclude, in accordance with the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, I trust you find the Panel's views are constructive and contribute to delivery of your revised Police and Crime Plan and I look forward to your response.

Yours Sincerely

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