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Dear Home Secretary and HMICFRS

Response from David Munro, Police and Crime Commissioner for Surrey to the National HMICFRS report "Stalking and Harassment - an inspection of Sussex Police commissioned by the police and crime commissioner, and an update on national recommendations in HMICFRS's 2017 report"

I welcome the commissioning of this report by the Sussex PCC. Crimes of stalking and harassment have a significant impact on the lives of victims and the police response needs to continue to improve in this area. As a force, Surrey Police works closely with Sussex Police and now shares many of the same systems and processes. The findings and recommendations made will be very relevant to policing and victims in Surrey.

I have asked the Chief Constable, Gavin Stephens, for his views on the report, to which he has said:

"I welcome the April 2019 HMICFRS Stalking and Harassment Inspection report of Sussex Police and recognise the issues which it highlights as having a significant impact upon police. Surrey Police capture a range of data sets, which are used to assess stalking and harassment related demand and identify opportunities for improvement. The recommendations will be recorded and monitored through our existing governance structures and the strategic lead will oversee their implementation."

I am pleased to see that Surrey Police will implement the recommendations made in the report. I have asked the Chief Constable to report on the police response to stalking and harassment at my June Performance Meeting at which I will scrutinise progress made.

## Yours sincerely

**David Munro** 

**Police and Crime Commissioner**