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Dear Roy,

### **Tackling Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children**

I am writing to you to formally respond to the national inspection report on how well the police and the National Crime Agency tackle the online sexual abuse and exploitation of children, published in April 2023.

In its summary, the report explores the processes and standards used by the police and other bodies to combat the online sexual abuse and exploitation of children by investigating how these bodies identify and safeguard children affected by these offences and how effectively they are at prevention, as well as the investigation itself.

In your report you set out 17 recommendations aimed at improving the consistency of the police's approach to investigations, the speed in which these are conducted and reducing the availability of child sexual material with the intention of achieving better outcomes for children.

I have formally raised this national inspection report and its recommendations with the Chief Constable, and I am assured that Derbyshire Constabulary are actively engaged in responding to the report.

Please be assured that I will continue to monitor progress towards these as part of my regular scheduled governance of the operations of the Constabulary.

I would like to extend my thanks to all those involved in this report and look forward to further feedback in due course.

Yours Sincerely,

Angelique Foster  
**Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner**