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Stop Search Scrutiny Panel

Date of Meeting: Wednesday 18th February 2026

Attendance:

Police and OPCC

Patrick Haley (PH) – Safer Neighbourhood Officer

Phoebe Stott (PS) – Caseworker and Volunteer Coordinator (OPCC)

Independent Panel Members

LB – independent panel member

BM – independent panel member

AA – independent panel member

CB – independent panel member

LT – independent panel member

1) Welcome and Introductions

This scrutiny panel was held online via Microsoft Teams. PS welcomed all the panel members to the meeting. PH introduced himself to the panel members.

These minutes contain numerous abbreviations. A description of them is explained below.

GOWISELY

Police officers use the acronym 'GOWISELY' to ensure the required information is given to members of the public when detained for the purpose of a search.

Grounds for search

Object of search

Warrant card (if not in uniform or requested)

Intity of officer

Station to which the officer is attached.

Entitlement to a copy of the search record

Legal power used.

You are detained for the purpose of the search.

PACE 1984 (s1) – Police and Criminal Evidence Act (1984) Section 1

DP - Detained person

BWV – Body Worn Video

XXX – Redaction

2) Stop Search Scrutiny: North

Case 1

Date	31/01/2026
Time	00:30
Location	High Peak
Subject	Male 35 White
PE Search Power	PACE 1984 (s1)
PE Search Reason	Offensive Weapons (blades, sharp points)
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only search
Incident Summary	<p>Police called to report of a large-scale fight on local estate where informant states that a knife has been seen and that threats were being made to stab someone.</p> <p>Vehicle has been fleeing the scene, which is later recovered with extensive damage along with various males dressed in dark clothing, upon police attendance we have conducted an area search where male has made attempts to run from the police very close to the scene of the incident</p> <p>Observations: Male was out of breath and admitted to being with another male who made off from police, he intimated that he had knowledge of the incident but was not involved in any way and was evasive when asked about his involvement which gave police genuine suspicion he was involved</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Males in dark clothing this male had all black clothing and black hat on</p> <p>Attempts to evade police</p> <p>In area of incident</p> <p>With another male who fled scene</p>

	<p>Evasive about his involvement in the incident and couldn't provide reasonable excuse for trying to evade police.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: large fight in condensed area in local estate, persons fighting believed to be in possession of a knife, male seen running from police</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	The panel thought the description of the grounds was good and they were satisfied that the entirety of GOWISELY was covered during the BWV.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 2

Date	29/01/2026
Time	15:57
Location	Northeast & Bolsover
Subject	Female 19 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs – other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	Action - No further action
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only search
Incident Summary	<p>I was on patrol in XXX when I observed a blue BMW, registration XXXX XXX, stationary and blocking access to the train station car park. The vehicle had been parked in this position for approximately five minutes. Recent intelligence reports indicate that detained person (DP) is involved in Class A drug supply in Creswell and is believed to be dealing from this specific vehicle on behalf of other known nominals.</p> <p>As I approached, I could smell a strong odour of cannabis coming from the vehicle. DP was seated in the driver's seat with the windows open. Two other</p>

adult females, later identified as subject A and subject B, were also in the vehicle along with young children.

On seeing officers, DP became excitable and began pacing around the vehicle. When asked about their presence, she and her passengers stated they were “just chilling” in the car park. This explanation was not credible given the isolated nature of the location, the manner of parking, and the intelligence linking DP to drug supply.

While speaking with them I observed all three women acting in a suspicious manner, moving their hands around the inside of the vehicle and appearing to shift items out of sight. Their behaviour suggested attempts to hide or conceal something. Although I did not know the passengers personally, their actions further raised suspicion that they may have been involved in concealing or supplying controlled drugs. The combination of: the smell of cannabis, DP’s excitable behaviour, the isolated location of the parked vehicle with windows open, the vehicle blocking access for no reasonable explanation, recent intelligence linking DP to drug supply from this car, and the suspicious movements of all occupants inside the vehicle, gave me reasonable grounds to believe that DP and the occupants were in possession of controlled drugs and potentially involved in drug supply.

Observations: The driver and passengers were acting in suspicious manner and I could see they were moving their hands and items around the stationary vehicle.

Information/intelligence: The recent intelligence states that DP is dealing drugs in XXX from the same vehicle. Her passengers were not known to the officer directly but raised suspicion that they were also concerned in hiding or supplying drugs.

Suspicion prior to search: The condition of the vehicle gave me suspicion, the drivers and passengers actions and how they responded raised further suspicion. They were not able to offer a reasonable explanation as to why they were blocking the car park to the train station with the windows open. I raised suspicion that although the train station

	is a public area it is set back from the main road and out of sight of passing public.
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>The panel thought the description of the grounds, was very thorough and detailed and with regards to the search, the panel acknowledged that it was fairly difficult for the officer to relay GOWISELY to the search subject due to her interrupting. They believe everything was covered other than her being offered a copy of the search.</p> <p>The panel thought that the officer dealt with her really well.</p>
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 3

Date	28/01/2026
Time	16:41
Location	North East & Bolsover
Subject	Male 33 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs – other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No – no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only Search
Incident Summary	<p>While on mobile patrol with other officers at the rear of XXX, at approximately 1640hrs on Wednesday 28th January 2026, I detected a strong, fresh smell of cannabis consistent with recent use.</p> <p>Two males were present in the area. On speaking with them, one male stated he was in possession of cannabis.</p> <p>Given the obvious smell of cannabis and the male's admission to possession of a controlled drug, I had</p>

	<p>reasonable grounds to suspect that both were in possession of a controlled drug, namely cannabis.</p> <p>I therefore exercised powers under section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 to search the male for controlled drugs.</p> <p>The object of the search was controlled drugs namely Cannabis.</p> <p>Observations: While patrolling in XXX close to the rear of XXX, I noticed two males standing together in an area partially concealed from the road by a vehicle.</p> <p>As officers approached, they detected a strong, fresh smell of cannabis consistent with recent use.</p> <p>Both males appeared startled by police presence and looked towards each other before engaging with me. When spoken to, one male immediately stated that he was in possession of cannabis.</p> <p>No other persons were nearby, and the smell was clearly emanating from the immediate vicinity of the two males</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Intelligence of previous cannabis use in the car park behind XXX.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Based on the strong, fresh smell of cannabis clearly present at the rear of XXX and coming from the immediate area of the two males, combined with one male openly admitting he was in possession of cannabis, I formed reasonable suspicion that he was in possession of a controlled drug. The circumstances, location, and indicators of previous Cannabis use in the area gave me reasonable grounds to suspect possession of a controlled drug under S23 Misuse of Drugs Act 1971.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds however, they did state that they thought the coverage of GOWISELY was very good, the officer was very sensitive towards the search subject, they picked up on their distress and offered to help, panel really liked this.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 4

Date	26/01/2026
Time	14:27
Location	Amber Valley
Subject	Female 28 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs – other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search
Incident Summary	<p>Officers have sighted a vehicle which has recent intelligence linking the vehicle to drug supply in the XXX area.</p> <p>The vehicle has recently evaded police on previous attempts to locate and stop the vehicle which has raised the suspicion that there is controlled drugs present in the vehicle and supports the intelligence. The passenger had multiple phones on her and was reaching into pockets when detained.</p> <p>Observations: Vehicle has previously evaded police and passenger had multiple phones and was trying to put hands in her pockets.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Intelligence linking the vehicle to drug supply around the XXX area.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Suspicion that there was drugs or items relating to drugs in the vehicle.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action

Body Worn Video available	Yes
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Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds however, they did note that they thought it was good practice that the officer asked if the search subject understood everything and also developed a nice rapport with her in the end.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 5

Date	25/01/2026
Time	01:37
Location	Derbyshire Dales
Subject	Male 22 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (Possession))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	Yes - object other than that searched for
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search
Incident Summary	<p>Vehicle parked in a hot-spot area for drugs and drug using and dealing. Male was single occupant of vehicle which smelt very strongly of cannabis upon approaching. male was asked why he was in the area, male smirked at police officer and did not respond. Male was asked whilst in back of car if they had any drugs, they stated they had just had a spliff of cannabis. Grounds for search were sufficient at that point to locate any further drugs in the car or on the person.</p> <p>Observations: Male was evasive and did not answer any questions properly, smirked at the officer and appeared to know why the police were there. No valid reason given for why the occupant was in the area at the time and occupant also states they had smoked cannabis.</p>

	<p>Information/intelligence: No intelligence was known at the time of the search, vehicle and person were not ran through or checked prior to speaking with them.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Male was in a vehicle in a drug using/dealing hot-spot which smelt very strongly of cannabis. Male admitted to police he had smoked a joint of cannabis.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds however, they did note that although it took a while for officers to do the identification, the panel thought the search was very thorough.</p> <p>Separately to the search, the panel asked what the protocol is for putting people in the back of a vehicle before they had been searched and raised concerns for officer safety.</p> <p>It was also noted that the child lock wasn't on in the back of the car and further concern for officers was raised due to risk.</p>
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 6

Date	23/01/2026
Time	15:16
Location	Derbyshire Dales
Subject	Male 20 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Jacket, outer coat, or gloves (JOG)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search

<p>Incident Summary</p>	<p>Vehicle activates ANPR [automatic number plate recognition] cameras, PNC [police national computer] LOW ACT [low action – risk assessment for action of vehicle] for vehicle involved in drug dealing and drugs supply including the driver.</p> <p>Driver detained. Further checks show driver has links to drugs including supply. Driver pupils are large and officer suspects driver is under the influence of drugs. Smell of cannabis coming from the driver. Driver in a known hotspot area for drug dealing and drug use.</p> <p>Based on the above, driver and vehicle detained for a search under section 23 of the misuse of drugs act.</p> <p>Observations: Vehicle activates ANPR cameras, PNC LOW ACT for vehicle involved in drug dealing and drugs supply including the driver.</p> <p>Driver detained. Further checks show driver has links to drugs including supply. Driver pupils are large and officer suspects driver is under the influence of drugs. Smell of cannabis coming from the driver. Driver in a known hotspot area for drug dealing and drug use.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Vehicle activates ANPR cameras, PNC LOW ACT for vehicle involved in drug dealing and drugs supply including the driver. Driver detained. Further checks show driver has links to drugs including supply. Driver pupils are large and officer suspects driver is under the influence of drugs. Smell of cannabis coming from the driver. Driver in a known hotspot area for drug dealing and drug use.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Vehicle activates ANPR cameras, PNC LOW ACT for vehicle involved in drug dealing and drugs supply including the driver. Driver detained. Further checks show driver has links to drugs including supply. Driver pupils are large and officer suspects driver is under the influence of drugs. Smell of cannabis coming from the driver. Driver in a known hotspot area for drug dealing and drug use.</p>
<p>Outcome (i.e, arrested)</p>	<p>Action - No further action Secondary Outcome - Arrest</p>
<p>Body Worn Video available</p>	<p>Yes</p>

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds however, they did note state that the search was very thorough, good and detailed.</p> <p>Separately, and in relation to safety again, the officers didn't search the subject before they got into the vehicle and therefore, the panel raised concern for the officer.</p>
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 7

Date	21/01/2026
Time	14:15
Location	Chesterfield
Subject	Female 54 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (Possession))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Person only search
Stop Search Type	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Incident Summary	<p>Female Occupant with intelligence linking herself, the address and fellow occupants with drug use, drug supply and ASB [antisocial behaviour] located inside the address with another female linked to local drug supply, as well as another female linked to drug use leaving the address just prior.</p> <p>Observations: Female Occupant with intelligence linking herself, the address and fellow occupants with drug use, drug supply and ASB located inside the address with another female linked to local drug supply, as well as another female linked to drug use leaving the address just prior.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Female Occupant with intelligence linking herself, the address and fellow occupants with drug use, drug supply and ASB located inside the address with another female linked</p>

	<p>to local drug supply, as well as another female linked to drug use leaving the address just prior.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Female Occupant with intelligence linking herself, the address and fellow occupants with drug use, drug supply and ASB located inside the address with another female linked to local drug supply, as well as another female linked to drug use leaving the address just prior.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>The panel stated that they thought the description of the grounds the search was very thorough.</p> <p>One panel member did ask why the male officer was searching the subject when there was a female officer visible in the BWV.</p> <p>PH explained that the female there was a PCSO therefore, doesn't have the same power and can't do it but did suggest that for good practice, could he have got the female to watch for safety?</p>
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 8

Date	18/01/2026
Time	21:52
Location	Derbyshire Dales
Subject	Male 32 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	Yes - the object(s) searched for
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only Search
Incident Summary	Vehicle linked to drugs supply in Dales. Failed to stop. Made off on foot. Detained Person is heavily linked to drug supply also.

	<p>Observations: Failed to stop and ran from officers when de-camped</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Vehicle and person linked to drugs supply</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: The fact they ran made me believe they had something to hide.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Arrest
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. They also made no comments in relation to the BWV other than that they were happy everything was covered.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

3) Stop Search Scrutiny: South

Case 1

Date	31/01/2026
Time	22:50
Location	Erewash
Subject	Male 14 White
PE Search Power	PACE 1984 (s1)
PE Search Reason	Article(s) made, adapted or intended for use in theft
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Jacket, outer coat, or gloves (JOG)
Stop Search Type	Person only search
Incident Summary	Recent OP TENORITE nominals and intelligence around males in tracksuits and balaclavas stealing motorbikes. Male seen to have put hood and balaclava up and turn around as police drive past. Matching description of OP TENORITE nominals

	<p>above. Male searched for items going equipped to steal motorbikes</p> <p>Observations: Male seen to have put hood and balaclava up and turn around as police drive past.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Very recent Intelligence around OP TENORITE nominals and TOMV [theft of motor vehicle] including bikes mainly in the area.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Form as above</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>No comments were made in relation to the form, but one volunteer asked what Op Tenorite was. PH confirmed this is an operation local to Erewash in relation to theft of motorbikes.</p> <p>With regards to the BWV, the panel all agreed that they thought the search was conducted appropriately however, they didn't pick up whether the officer identified themselves and informed the search subject of his name and collar number.</p> <p>Additionally, they all agreed the officer could've been clearer as to why they stopped him and got the impression that the officers assumed the search subject knew what Op Tenorite was.</p>
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 2

Date	29/01/2026
Time	10:55
Location	Derby North
Subject	Male 40 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (Possession))

PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only Search
Incident Summary	<p>Male was seen breaking into a property, believed to be in order to take drugs. Male is a well-known drug user</p> <p>Observations: Male broke into property</p> <p>Information/intelligence: Male is a known drug user;</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: That the male had broken into the property in order to take drugs</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. They also made no comments in relation to the BWV other than that the search was very thorough.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance.
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 3

Date	27/01/2026
Time	18:49
Location	Not Recorded
Subject	Male 12 Not Stated
PE Search Power	PACE 1984 (s1)
PE Search Reason	Bladed Article
PE Search Outcome	No – no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only Search
Incident Summary	Recent information provided to Derbyshire Constabulary is that Detained Person (DP) and others were involved in an incident where threats were made by the group to stab younger children.

	<p>Therefore, as this is a priority to stop juveniles from carrying weapons so DP was detained and searched under S1 PACE.</p> <p>Observations: Information provided stated that he may be carrying weapons. Identified to the officer by local PCSO</p> <p>Information/intelligence: As per the grounds documented within</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Credible information provided to Derbyshire Constabulary from an incident occurring a few days ago which may suggest he could be carrying weapons</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. They also made no comments in relation to the BWV.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance.
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 4

Date	25/01/2026
Time	23:57
Location	Not Recorded
Subject	Male 42 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (Possession))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search
Incident Summary	Parked up at the side of the road in the middle of the night. Strong smell of cannabis coming from the vehicle, could be smelt through open car window

	<p>while I was still sat in my car. Subject stated he had smoked a joint.</p> <p>Observations: Subject appeared nervous when speaking to him.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: As above in the grounds for search. Subject said he had come out the house so he didn't disturb his parents while on the phone. I suspect it was so he could smoke cannabis without their knowing.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: I suspected he had come out of the house to have a smoke while he was on the phone to a female. When I challenged him he admitted that was the case.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. They also made no comments in relation to the BWV.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance.
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 5

Date	24/01/2026
Time	09:03
Location	Derbyshire Dales
Subject	Male 51 White
PE Search Power	PACE 1984 (s1)
PE Search Reason	Article(s) made, adapted or intended for use in theft
PE Search Outcome	Action - No further action
PE Search Clothing Removed	Jacket, outer coat, or gloves (JOG)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search
Incident Summary	Off duty police officer witnesses a white transit van taking photos of vehicles and his property in an expensive high value area with numerous vehicles and within.

	<p>Observations: off duty officer seen them taking photos and then leaving.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: ANPR [automatic number plate recognition] and PNC [police national computer] data shows vehicle is not from the area and came to the area today.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: taking photos of the address and doing laps around the property.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. They also made no comments in relation to the BWV.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance.
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 6

Date	22/01/2026
Time	19:17
Location	Not Recorded
Subject	Male 14 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (Possession))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	No - no object(s) found
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person only Search
Incident Summary	<p>4 males in dimly lit park, strong smell of cannabis, absconded from officers when approached, smoke coming from the group of males when first observed.</p> <p>Observations: 4 males in dimly lit park, strong smell of cannabis, absconded from officers when approached, smoke coming from the group of males when first observed.</p>

	Information/intelligence: 4 males in dimly lit park, strong smell of cannabis, absconded from officers when approached, smoke coming from the group of males when first observed. Suspicion prior to search: 4 males in dimly lit park, strong smell of cannabis, absconded from officers when approached, smoke coming from the group of males when first observed.
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Action - No further action
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. In terms of the BWV, the panel were satisfied that GOWISELY was covered and they stated that they liked the fact the officer checked with the search subjects that they understood what was going on.
Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.

Case 7

Date	20/01/2026
Time	10:30
Location	Derby North
Subject	Male 33 White
PE Search Power	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (s23 (PWITS))
PE Search Reason	Drugs - other controlled drugs
PE Search Outcome	Yes - the object(s) searched for
PE Search Clothing Removed	Standard stop and search (SSS)
Stop Search Type	Person/Vehicle Search
Incident Summary	Officers in a plain vehicle have seen a vehicle pull onto XXX and park up. This vehicle was XXXX XXX. The insured driver has links to drug supply and that she is dealing drugs with another male. Within the vehicle was a man and a woman. A female in a dressing gown has approached the passenger window where due to the quick interaction, it appeared like they was drug dealing to this individual.

	<p>When i have approached the car, i have noticed Detained Person (DP) in the passenger seat of the vehicle who has recent intelligence linking him to drug supply.</p> <p>Observations: Officers in a plain vehicle have seen a vehicle pull onto XXX and park up. This vehicle was XXXX XXX. Within the vehicle was a man and a woman. A female in a dressing gown has approached the passenger window where due to the quick interaction, it appeared like they was drug dealing to this individual. When i have approached the car, i have noticed DP in the passenger seat of the vehicle who has recent intelligence linking him to drug supply.</p> <p>Information/intelligence: The insured driver has links to drug supply and that she is dealing drugs with another male.</p> <p>When i have approached the car, i have noticed DP in the passenger seat of the vehicle who has recent intelligence linking him to drug supply.</p> <p>Suspicion prior to search: Officers in a plain vehicle have seen a vehicle pull onto XXX and park up. This vehicle was XXXX XXX. The insured driver has links to drug supply and that she is dealing drugs with another male. Within the vehicle was a man and a woman. A female in a dressing gown has approached the passenger window where due to the quick interaction, it appeared like they was drug dealing to this individual. When i have approached the car, i have noticed DP in the passenger seat of the vehicle who has recent intelligence linking him to drug supply.</p>
Outcome (i.e, arrested)	Arrest
Body Worn Video available	Yes

Feedback from Independent Panel Members

Panel Observations	<p>No further comments were made by the panel in relation to the description of the grounds. In terms of the BWV, the panel overall, thought the search was conducted appropriately however, they didn't hear the officer identify himself, or which station he was attached too and, as they were in plain clothes, they didn't catch any reference to a warrant card either.</p>
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Panel Decision	Panel agreed that the description of the grounds justified the stop search, and the BWV gave evidence for compliance
Actions taken by Police	Feedback on the stop search has been shared with officers involved.