

# The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire

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Dear



**Police Effectiveness 2015 (Vulnerability): Inspection of Lincolnshire Police**

I am pleased to present my comments in response to the above report within the meaning of s55 (5) of the Police Act 1096. This letter will be copied to the Home Secretary and published on my website.

I read with interest the Report and the findings it presents. I am pleased the Report provides a balanced view of the Force's level of effectiveness in dealing with the most vulnerable members of our communities. I am particularly pleased that HMIC recognises that the Force responds well to vulnerable victims and that it understands the needs of people who are vulnerable as a result of domestic abuse.

I do however recognise the real need for improvement in some areas and this is confirmed by the Report. I therefore continue to closely monitor the work that is already underway to develop greater capacity and capability in dealing with child sexual exploitation and missing and absent children.

I am receiving regular briefings on the Force's progress in improving these areas, and resources have already been redirected with the aim of enhancing performance to attain a much higher service standard.

I firmly believe the service received by the vulnerable adults and children in our communities is of great importance and I will maintain my efforts in holding the Chief Constable to account in order to drive the improvements required.

Yours sincerely



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cc: The Rt Hon Theresa May MP – Home Secretary  
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