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## Alan Hardwick The Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire

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Dear

## Police Integrity and Corruption (November 2014)

I am pleased to present my comments in response to the above reports within the meaning of s55 (5) of the Police Act 1996. This letter will be copied to the Home Secretary and published on my website.

I welcome the Inspectorate's final report of the inspection of police integrity and corruption. HMIC's 2011 "Without fear or favour" review, followed by the progress report of 2012 indicated that nationally, more needed to be done to demonstrate to the public that the police were serious about integrity. Therefore, I was pleased to note that Lincolnshire Police has made "excellent progress in reinforcing ethical and professional behaviour". The report confirms the clear leadership and emphasis on ethical standards that I see across the Force.

The report made two recommendations around business interest applications and proactive counter corruption processes. I will hold the Force to account for acting upon these recommendations. I will continue to ensure robust oversight and governance over police integrity issues in Lincolnshire.

Yours sincerely

Alan Hardwick

Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire

cc: The Rt Hon Theresa May MP - Home Secretary