

Sent via email: PS.HomeSecretary@homeoffice.gov.uk

22nd September 2025

Dear Home Secretary,

Response to report – How effectively do the police record crime?

I am writing in response to the HMICFRS report titled "*How effectively do the police record crime?*", published on 28 August 2025. This report brings together findings from the 2016–2020 Crime Data Integrity (CDI) inspections and the ongoing PEEL inspection programme, offering a comprehensive view of how police forces across England and Wales record crime.

I welcome the Inspectorate's continued scrutiny of crime recording practices. Accurate crime data is essential to:

- Ensuring victims receive appropriate support;
- Providing the public with reliable information about crime in their communities;
- Enabling police forces to allocate resources effectively and plan investigations.

The report highlights significant progress nationally, with recorded crime rates improving from 80.5% in 2014 to 94.8% in 2025. However, it also notes that approximately 285,000 crimes went unrecorded last year, and that violent crimes—particularly those involving harassment, stalking, and coercive behaviour—remain under-recorded.

As Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside, I take these findings seriously. I am committed to ensuring that Humberside Police continues to improve its crime recording practices. Part of my latest Police and Crime plan is to highlight a commitment to increase public recording of crime and create greater community relationships with Police.

I will continue to hold the Chief Constable to account through regular performance monitoring at our accountability board. My office also run several scrutiny panels and host public meetings to ensure public assurance mechanisms.



I am encouraged by the improvements Humberside Police has made in recent years, as shown in the last two Peel inspections. I am confident that our upcoming inspection will also deliver similar results, but I recognise that further work is always needed to ensure consistency and accuracy in crime recording across all departments.

I finally would like to thank HMICFRS for their continued work in promoting transparency and efforts in improving policing in all areas.

Yours Sincerely



Jonathan Evison
Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside



Dear Home Secretary,

Response to report – How effectively do the police record crime?

I am writing in response to the HMICFRS report titled *"How effectively do the police record crime?"*, published on 28 August 2025. This report brings together findings from the 2016–2020 Crime Data Integrity (CDI) inspections and the ongoing PEEL inspection programme, offering a comprehensive view of how police forces across England and Wales record crime

I welcome the Inspectorate's continued scrutiny of crime recording practices. Accurate crime data is essential to:

- Ensuring victims receive appropriate support;
- Providing the public with reliable information about crime in their communities;
- Enabling police forces to allocate resources effectively and plan investigations.

The report highlights significant progress nationally, with recorded crime rates improving from 80.5% in 2014 to 94.8% in 2025. However, it also notes that approximately 285,000 crimes went unrecorded last year, and that violent crimes—particularly those involving harassment, stalking, and coercive behaviour—remain under-recorded.

As Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside, I take these findings seriously. I am committed to ensuring that Humberside Police continues to improve its crime recording practices. Part of my latest Police and Crime plan is to highlight a commitment to increase public recording of crime and create greater community relationships with Police.

I will continue to hold the Chief Constable to account through regular performance monitoring at our accountability board. My office also run several scrutiny panels and host public meetings to ensure public assurance mechanisms.

I am encouraged by the improvements Humberside Police has made in recent years, as shown in the last two Peel inspections. I am confident that our upcoming inspection will also deliver similar results, but I recognise that further work is always needed to ensure consistency and accuracy in crime recording across all departments.

I finally would like to thank HMICFRS for their continued work in promoting transparency and efforts in improving policing in all areas.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Evison

Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

