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Dear Home Secretary,

**Report Response – State of Policing Annual Assessment 2024–25**

I am writing in response to the *State of Policing: The Annual Assessment of Policing in England and Wales 2024–25*, published on 10 September 2025.

This report provides a comprehensive and independent assessment of the efficiency and effectiveness of policing across England and Wales.

I welcome the report's recognition of the immense pressures faced by the police service, particularly in light of the tragic events in Southport and the subsequent unrest across the country. The bravery and resilience shown by officers during these times is commendable and reflects the dedication of our policing community.

The report also highlights the significant reforms proposed by yourself, including the establishment of a National Centre of Policing and the Police Standards and Performance Improvement Directorate. These initiatives, if properly resourced and implemented, offer a real opportunity to strengthen public trust and improve operational delivery across the service.

As Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside, I am encouraged by the Inspectorate's decision to refrain from issuing formal recommendations this year, allowing forces the space to focus on implementing existing reforms. I would also like to thank the inspectorate for highlighting some of the good practice shown in Humberside, especially regarding protecting vulnerable people and the high standards we show in our force control room.

I remain committed to supporting Humberside Police in delivering high-quality policing that meets the needs of our communities. This includes:

- Continuing to invest in neighbourhood policing in line with the Government's Neighbourhood Policing Guarantee;
- Supporting the adoption of new technologies and procurement efficiencies;
- Ensuring robust governance and accountability mechanisms are in place to monitor performance and public confidence.



I thank the Inspectorate's efforts in compiling this assessment and its ongoing role in promoting transparency and improvement across the sector.

Yours Sincerely



Jonathan Evison  
Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

