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Dear Suella

I write in response to the publication of the HMICFRS Integrated PEEL Inspection report for Lancashire Constabulary which sets out the findings on Lancashire Constabulary's effectiveness, efficiency and legitimacy 2021/2022.

I am pleased to see that the report recognises that overall Lancashire Constabulary is a good force that engages with the public and plans for the future effectively, managing finances well and that they protect the public of Lancashire from the most serious of offenders. Moreover, it recognises that Lancashire's police officers and staff are hardworking and dedicated to serving the public of Lancashire.

However, both the Chief Constable and I acknowledge there is some work to do to improve in some areas, including how the Constabulary develops their policing model so they can respond more effectively to calls for service, investigate crime consistently and thoroughly and ensuring that they are consistently delivering an outstanding service to victims of crime. Therefore, I was pleased that the report acknowledged that the Chief Constable and his senior team are already making the necessary improvements at pace in these areas.

The Constabulary is already making significant progress on my priorities, which are set out in my Police and Crime Plan enclosed with this letter. As you are aware, I have made tackling sexual violence and domestic abuse a priority in my Fighting Crime Plan and I'm pleased to see the Constabulary's approach to protecting vulnerable people and managing domestic abuse perpetrators who pose the highest risk praised, alongside the independently chaired reducing reoffending boards, funded through my Office.

Finally, I note the report makes a special mention of the force's successful problem-solving approach to reduce rural crime and prevent antisocial behaviour which I will continue to invest in through dedicated rural task forces.

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Overall, this is a positive report which continues to put Lancashire as one of the top performing forces in the country. However, through my regular Accountability Board and meetings with the Chief Constable, I will continue to scrutinise and hold the force to account to deliver improvements in performance.

Yours sincerely

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