



## **PANEL MEETING ON 16 JANUARY 2018**

### **SUBJECT: HOME OFFICE PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON COMPLAINTS ABOUT POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONERS**

#### **REPORT OF THE CLERK TO THE PANEL**

##### **1. Purpose of Report**

To consider the Home Office's report on the summary of the responses received to its public consultation on complaints about Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) and the next steps the Government proposes to take to change the system for non-serious complaints.

##### **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Home Office, in December 2015, undertook a public consultation exercise to seek views on proposed changes to the complaints about the conduct of PCCs which focused on the complaints process for Police and Crime Panels when seeking to resolve non-serious (ie non-criminal) complaints made against a PCC.
- 2.2 The Panel considered the consultation document on 8 March 2016 and an online response to the consultation questions was subsequently submitted on behalf of the Panel.
- 2.3 The PCC also submitted her response to the consultation questions to the Home Office.

##### **3. Complaints about Police and Crime Commissioners**

- 3.1 The Home Office has now published the summary of the consultation responses and the next steps the Government intends to take as attached in the appendix to the report.
- 3.2 The 63 full responses that were received following the 12 week consultation process have been analysed and the findings have been summarised by the Home Office in the attached document.
- 3.3 The changes to the complaints system for non-serious complaints made against a PCC that the Government intends to introduce have also been outlined in the document's executive summary.

**4. Recommendation**

- 4.1 The Panel is asked to note the report and receive further reports as appropriate.