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Dear Henry

Police Governance

I refer to your recent paper to West Midlands Combined Authority concerning the governance of the police.

Please find attached technical feedback on the document from my legal advisor. This has assisted with a more precise definition of relevant language.

With this greater clarity adopted and the removal of arrangements or delegation to elected members, added to the spirit of protecting police operational and financial independence, I am able to say that I understand the proposed scheme at this time.

I would be grateful to review the final proposed sheme after consultation to ensure these matters are still clear.

Yours sincerely

Dave Thompson

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