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Dear Emma,

Thank you for resubmitting the report (Adult A, Adult B, Child 1 & Child 2) for West Sussex Community Safety Partnership to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was reassessed in October 2023.

The QA Panel felt that the report included relevant research, literature and theoretical understanding throughout along with references to other cases of relevance. There is good discussion of issues surrounding gun licencing in the report which was a significant factor in this case and the report also acknowledges the family's contribution to it, including where they have fed directly into the recommendations around gun licencing which the panel note as a positive in the review and ensure the family's voice feels integral in the review. They also note that the panel was well formed with the inclusion of a domestic abuse representative which is good practice.

The Home Office noted that most of the issues raised in the previous feedback letter following the first submission have now been addressed.

The Home Office suggests that the report should not be published but that the executive summary including the recommendations should be published and made available online.

Once completed the Home Office would be grateful if you could provide us with a digital copy of the revised final version of the report with all finalised attachments and appendices, the learning summary and the weblink to the site where the Executive Summary will be published. Please ensure this letter is published alongside the Executive summary.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk. This is for our own records for future analysis to go towards highlighting best practice and to inform public policy.

The DHR report including the executive summary and action plan should be converted to a PDF document and be smaller than 20 MB in size; this final Home

Office QA Panel feedback letter should be attached to the end of the report as an annex; and the DHR Action Plan should be added to the report as an annex. This should include all implementation updates and note that the action plan is a live document and subject to change as outcomes are delivered.

Please also send a digital copy to the Domestic Abuse Commissioner at DHR@domesticabusecommissioner.independent.gov.uk

On behalf of the QA Panel, I would like to thank you, the report chair and author, and other colleagues for the considerable work that you have put into this review.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynne Abrams', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lynne Abrams

Chair of the Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel