



Nottinghamshire

## **POLICE & CRIME COMMISSIONER**

### **The Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner's response to the publication of Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary's (HMIC) Everyone's business: Improving the police response to domestic abuse.**

The report can be found [here](#)

As per my statutory responsibility to prepare comments on any of HMIC's published reports, Section 55(5) of the 1996 Police Act, I welcome this report, particularly the parts highlighting good practice in Nottinghamshire. We will be using the report to monitor the changes in police policy and practice.

In my Police and Crime Plan I have identified domestic violence as a priority, which my Deputy, Chris Cutland is championing. We welcome the identification of the need for further training for officers on the use of professional judgement and on coercive control.

I agree more needs to be done for the Nottinghamshire Police to understand the known serial and serious perpetrators, and for assessing ongoing risk.

Domestic abuse requires a partnership approach and the report rightly highlighted some of the difficulties due to having two main Local Authorities within the area. This may result in a different service being offered in the City rather than the County and is something that needs to be followed up.

The differences in the three MARAC's access the City and County are being addressed. However, it is not the intention of the MASH (County) or DART (City) to reduce the number of high risk cases being discussed at MARACs. These are seen as being vital to ensure a holistic approach is taken to make that victim safer and bring information about the perpetrator to the attention of relevant partners. This cannot be done just by the MASH or DART putting measures in place and would not involve an IDVA.

I will be encouraging the Force to follow up with victims who are no longer in touch with police but I recognise this may be something better done in partnership.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paddy Tipping'.

Paddy Tipping  
Police and Crime Commissioner