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Dear Kerry,

Thank you for resubmitting the report (Peter) for Southampton Community Safety Partnership to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was reassessed in May 2024.

The QA Panel praised the evident engagement with the family and touching description of Peter. They felt that the report shows a good understanding of familial abuse and acknowledges the impact of living with/caring for someone with mental health issues. They were pleased to see domestic abuse representation on the panel.

The QA Panel felt it was good that the Serious Incident Report provided by the Mental Health Provider Trust and the Public Heath England report had contributed to the DHR. They appreciated recognition that police officers are not mental health experts and that risk assessments need to be done in consultation with other professionals and agencies.

Overall, they felt the review was honest in its lessons learned and recommendations recorded in the action plan.

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

The view of the Home Office is that the DHR may now be published.

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 and the weblink to the site where the report will be published. Please ensure this letter is published alongside the report.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to <u>DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk</u>. 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,

Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel