

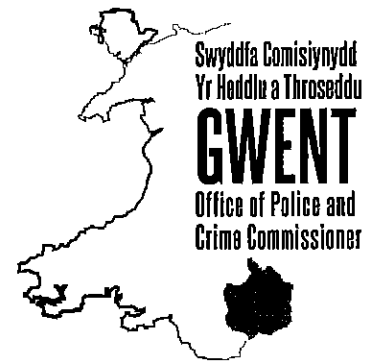
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The Rt Hon Theresa May MP
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21st February 2013

Dear Home Secretary

HMIC Revisiting Police Relationships: Progress Report

As required by statute, I am writing to you with my comments on the HMIC progress report for Gwent on Revisiting Police Relationships. I welcome the report which complements my focus on public confidence and the importance of integrity within the police service.

I have monitored the force's improvement plan, developed as a result of this report, via my monthly Strategy and Performance Board and was pleased to note that all areas for improvement have been actioned and are now complete.

- The Gifts and Hospitality Register has been centralised
- A system has been introduced for monitoring of integrity issues by the Commissioner
- Checks have been put in place to ensure that officers and staff have read Policies and Procedures and are made aware of any changes.

Our approach locally has been supported by the Professional Standards Department and its Anti-Corruption Unit, a key resource in ensuring compliance throughout the organisation.

Please be reassured that the Chief Constable and I will continue to lead by example and promote high standards of integrity in all that we do. I am confident that our governance and scrutiny arrangements are robust and will be used to ensure standards within Gwent Police.

Yours sincerely

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

Ian Johnston QPM
Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent

Cc: Dru Sharpling, HMI