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To: Cllr. Joe Orson, Chair, Leicestershire Police and Crime Panel  
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Dear Joe

Thank you for the feedback on my Annual Report 2019/20 presented to the Police and Crime Panel on 1 October 2020.

I note that Panel members have requested further information on targeted interventions directed at addressing Domestic Abuse. I am more than happy to bring further information on this to the Panel and would ask that this is planned for a future agenda. We have a good news story to tell relating to work undertaken in this area and I am keen to share with the Panel the approach we are taking.

I also note that members have asked for additional information on how crime is being tackled in certain geographical areas. This is something that I would like to include in future Force performance reports to the Panel and as suggested this information could be displayed by way of an infographic. To assist my team in preparing this it would be useful if members could advise on the crime types they are particularly interested in and on how they would like the geographical areas defined i.e. LLR, local authority areas, Neighbourhood Policing Areas. Once we have received this steer my team will commence work on providing the infographic requested.

I would like to thank members for their suggestion of including the uplift of police numbers over my term of office and not just for the previous year. I will certainly include this information in my last Annual Report for the period 2020/21 which will demonstrate how this has contributed to achieving my aim of increasing visible policing.

Regarding the arrangements for the Violence Reduction Network (VRN) if future funding is not secured, I can assure members that a sustainability plan is being developed should funding cease and that further information on this will be brought to the Panel at a future meeting. With the Chairman's agreement I request for this to be included in the future agenda workplan for the Panel.





In your response I note that members requested details about the Victim Surcharge Levy. I can inform you that this Levy is administered by the Courts and does not fall under my remit. The Victim Surcharge was introduced in 2007 and is not paid directly to the criminal's victim but is pooled and distributed through the Victim and Witness General Fund. The amount to be paid is specified by law and the courts have limited discretion to reduce the amount, or to waive the surcharge. I hope this information is useful to members.

Finally, I would like to thank the Panel for their continued support for the OPCC's work and for their obvious interest and desire to see my Police and Crime Plan delivered to full effect. The comments received on the Annual Report will be particularly useful in preparation of drafting next year's annual report and for providing direction for agendas for the remainder of the year.

Best regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Willy Bach". A long, thin blue line extends from the end of the signature downwards and to the left.

**Lord Willy Bach**  
**Leicestershire Police and Crime Commissioner**