

October 31 2023

Dear Emma

**Inquiry into the public health approach to preventing gender-based violence**

Thank you to you and your colleagues for providing additional information regarding Perpetrator Programmes as contained within Chief Superintendent Thomas' report dated 13 October 2023.

We noted the report at our meeting on 23 October and agreed to follow-up on the points below:

Would it be possible for both the South Wales Police Area and the North Wales Police Area to present their data as table with specific categories like Dyfed Powys Police, i.e.: Programme, Attendance, Referral route, Eligibility, Funding and Longevity? Members found the presentation of information in that way to be most helpful and would welcome comparable data for the other police force areas.

What consideration has been given to creating a common approach to Perpetrator Programmes across Wales?  
What assessment has been made of the effectiveness of current arrangements?

Could you please outline why the Perpetrator Programmes listed are only voluntary and not mandatory?

How do the Perpetrator Programmes in your submission from Policing in Wales interact with those run by the Ministry of Justice?

With regards to Gwent please confirm:

whether plans for replacement Perpetrator Programmes are underway and the date upon which they will begin running;  
whether the running of a Perpetrator Programme is dependent upon funding from the Home Office; and  
how the proposed pilot of Domestic Abuse Protection Orders can take effect without a Perpetrator Programme up and running within the police force area?

I would be most grateful to receive your response by 10 November 2023.

Yours sincerely



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Chair, Equality and Social Justice Committee

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

