

# RECOMMENDATION REPORT

**DECISION: 01/2025 DATE: 1 MAY 2025** 

TITLE: INDEPENDENT CUSTODY VISITING (ICV) ANNUAL REPORT

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## **Executive Summary**

The Annual Report provides the Police and Crime Commissioner with a summary of the work of the Independent Custody Visitors during the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

#### Recommendation

The Police and Crime Commissioner is asked to consider the Independent Custody Visitors Annual Report 2024 - 2025 attached to this report.

#### **PART I**

### 1. Background and Advice

The OPCC has a statutory duty to provide an Independent Custody Visitor Scheme and this report provides an annual overview of the operation of this Scheme.

#### 2. Links to the Police and Crime Plan

Independent custody visiting is an essential element of the work of the PCC's office, in ensuring the police service is open and accountable to the people it serves and where Custody Suites are scrutinised to ensure to safe and lawful detention of people, treating each person with dignity and respect. This will link to one of the PCC's priorities of rebuilding public trust and confidence.

#### 3. Consultations

None

### 4. Implications:

- a. Legal none
- b. Financial none
- c. Equality Impact Assessment none
- d. Data Protection Impact Assessment none

# 5 Risk Management

None

# 6. Background Papers

None

#### 7. Public access to information

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Officer declaration	Date
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – As above	
EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS – As above	
CONSULTATION – As above	
Author	<u> </u>
Signature Anna Cooke Date 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	5
Sponsor	
I have read the above report and confirm this is factually correct.	
Signature Ian Dickinson Date 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	
Section 151 Officer for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner	
I have read the above report and have considered the financial implications. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate (financial) request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.	
Signature Steve Freeman Date 6 <sup>th</sup> May 202	5
Chief Executive (Monitoring Officer) for the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire	
I have been informed about the proposal and confirm that financial, legal and equalities advice has been taken into account in the preparation of this report. I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire.	

Date 8th May 2025

Signature Anna Hopkins