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Dear John

**Re: Response to Panels Consideration of Police and Crime Commissioners
first Annual Report 2012 – 2013**

I write in response to your letter received on the 19th July 2013 regarding the panel's consideration of the first annual report.

Thank you for your response and the Panel's supportive comments about my first six months in office. 2012 – 2013 was a successful year and the former Police Authority made an important contribution and laid a solid foundation for me to build upon.

The force in partnership with other organisations ended the financial year with a 12% (9313 less offences) exceeding the policing plan target of 8% by 4.6%. We all should celebrate in this excellent news for the people and victims in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire. This success will mean achieving the 10% reduction target for this even more challenging. There has also been success in other areas, such as the reduction in first time entrants into the criminal justice system, and anti social behaviour.

Without the support of partner organisations these achievements would not have been possible. The force could not have achieved these improved results alone.

The year ahead will no doubt present is with fresh challenges, but I'm excited about the relationships we're building and the increasingly active role the public is playing in fighting crime. Despite the state of the economy and the very challenging savings targets for Policing over the next few years, I am confident we can continue to create safer peaceful Communities.

I am grateful for the Panel's challenge and support in the work, I and Chris Cutland, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner have undertaken to date.

Yours sincerely

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