

**RESPONSE DATED 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021 TO 'IMPACT OF THE PANDEMIC ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: A JOINT VIEW OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CHIEF INSPECTORS ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM'S RESPONSE TO COVID-19' PUBLISHED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021**

This report contains no recommendations for myself or the Chief Constable.

However I agree there is significant improvement required within the Criminal Justice System and the current court backlogs is an area of great concern which needs to be addressed at a national level.

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