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Dear Nuala

Thank you for submitting the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) report (Gordon) for Stockport CSP to the Home Office. The report was assessed by the Quality Assurance Panel (QA) on 23 October 2019

The QA Panel noted that this is a balanced report which is clear and easy to follow. The QA Panel commended the review for its good use of research and for having an action plan that is fully SMART.

The QA Panel felt that there are some aspects of the report which may benefit from revision but the Home Office is content that, on completion of these changes, the DHR may be published.

**Areas of final development include:**

- The report could further probe the impact that childhood sexual abuse had on the perpetrator.
- An exploration of broader safeguarding issues; to include what services are available to victims of sexual violence and abuse would be of benefit to the review.
- It was recognised that GP practice missed an opportunity to intervene due to the lack of auditing of their flu jab appointments. It was felt that the recommendations for this could be strengthened to look at the policies and processes for safeguarding elderly patients in GP practices.
- It would be helpful to explore whether a further recommendation is needed for housing to assess their current policies to include a requirement for tenancies to be reviewed each year for safeguarding purposes.
- It would be good to gain clarification as to whether the family were given the opportunity to contribute to the DHR, as per the statutory guidance.

Once completed, the Home Office would be grateful if you could provide us with a digital copy of the revised final version of the report with all finalised attachments and appendices and the weblink to the site where the report will be published.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to [DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk). This is for our own records for future analysis to go towards highlighting best practice and to inform public policy.

The Home Office felt it would be helpful to routinely sight Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) on DHRs in their local area. Due to this, the Home Office will copy this letter to your local PCC for information.

On behalf of the QA Panel, I would like to thank you, the report chair and author, and other colleagues, for the considerable work that you have put into this review.

Yours sincerely

**Hannah Buckley**

Joint Chair of the Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel