

**NORTHUMBRIA PCC RESPONSE TO HMICFRS
INSPECTIONS OF NORTHUMBRIA POLICE**

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I welcome HMICFRS national report ‘Counter Terrorism Policing –An Inspection of the Police’s Contribution to the Government’s Prevent Programme’ and I am pleased to see the good work of forces nationwide.

I take note of the eight recommendations and have consulted with Northumbria Police on the findings of the report. Following the inspection, the force prepared a debrief report and immediately identified areas for improvement. Progress on the resulting action plan is monitored quarterly by the Local Policing Board. This meant that the force had already made improvements when the national findings were published and continue to work on their action plan whilst awaiting national guidance to finish outstanding actions.

For example, the force are in the process of appointing a Force Prevent Strategic Lead (FPSL) to ensure the force is meeting its Prevent duty. The FPSL will enable CTP HQ to support an identified group of Force leaders to embed Prevent within mainstream policing. Further, the force are making plans to refresh departmental training on counter terrorism vulnerabilities.

I am confident the force will continue taking appropriate action to satisfy the recommendations and support collaborative efforts nationally and regionally. I will continue to monitor Northumbria’s progress through my Scrutiny process.

Yours sincerely



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