

A selection of some of the evidence proving Hampshire Police produced a false police report into it's disastrous handling of a child sexual abuse case and the evidence of a systemically ingrained culture of dishonesty by those in positions of trust and senior posts.

The recent evidence referenced in this document is from an authoritative third party Dorset Police. It now proves Hampshire Constabularies PSD produced a false police report into the handling of the Arnewood School teacher child sexual abuse case of some years ago. This case is not about the now confirmed legal failings resulting from Hampshire Police keeping the case out of the police system for 2 years which resulted in 17 sexual offences being committed against children they could easily have prevented. Rather it is about the resulting assessment they were directed to undertake (they failed to do that too). Dorset Police Officer's evidence now shows this resulting police report concocted by Hampshire Constabularies PSD to contain substantive misinformation (lies). This evidence has been unlawfully suppressed by Hampshire Constabulary. The main players behind this corruption and evidence suppression at children's expense are to name just a few: Mr. Roger Trencher the Force Solicitor, Chief Inspector David Winter who personally instructed a solicitor to lie about complaints about the false police report having already been investigated. The PSD business manager Ms. Stokel Walker and numerous others who toe the line. Hampshire Constabulary is now engaged in every devious practice known to man/woman to cover up the fact Hampshire Police produced a false report into a child sexual abuse case. All while the Chief Officer Scott Chilton and Crime Commissioner Donna Jones do their very best to look the other way. This evidence and JR is published in the public interest and will be of particular interest to any member of the public who has ever crossed swords with Hampshire Police about its negligent handling of a child sexual abuse case. It is important they know the people who defend Hampshire Police in relation to its handling of child sexual abuse cases are not above lying in reports about child sexual abuse cases, and then paying solicitors out of public funds to lie to cover it up. So here is the evidence in children's best interests that proves it all. Published in the overwhelming public interest given its ramifications for children's safeguarding and children's rights ----->



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Our reference number: 2018/099011

Force reference number: MI/10/18

Dorest Police Officer's new evidence now proves this report to be substantively false.

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This summary police "conduct assessment" was carried out at the instruction of Lesley Longstone the head of the IPCC after Hampshire Police failed to carry one out. It related to now confirmed very serious child safeguarding failings by Hampshire Police for failing to record and investigate a child sex offender twice over a 2 year period. This led to 17 sex offences being committed, offences against children they could have easily stopped.

22 March 2018

YET, goes on to state "no conduct issues" have been identified. This exoneration was achieved by evidence being withheld by Mr. Trencher and the PSD that proved this assessment to be a lie and fabrication.

Dear [Redacted]

As you are aware Hampshire Police carried out a conduct assessment in relation to the matters you raised with them regarding Mr Tyrone Mark.

As previously agreed please find enclosed a summary of the conduct assessment completed by Hampshire Police. A copy has also been forwarded to the Children's Commissioner Anne Longfield.

Yours sincerely

Clara Harriott
Senior Assessment Manager
Independent Office for Police Conduct

Summary of Conduct Assessment

Background to conduct assessment

In December 2012 a referral was made by Arnewood School, Hampshire to the Hampshire County Council's Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) regarding Mr Tyrone Mark, a teacher at the school regarding his relationship with a pupil. The LADO referred the matter to Hampshire Constabulary's Central Referral Unit (CRU). As both Mr Mark and the pupil resided in Dorset, the matter was referred to Dorset Police who decided that a single agency referral was appropriate and could be conducted by the school.

LIE

In March 2013, Mr Mark resigned his position after disciplinary proceedings were commenced by the school. In October 2013 additional materials regarding Mr Mark were obtained by the school, and Hampshire Constabulary were contacted for advice. Hampshire Constabulary advised that no action was required by themselves, and that the material could be dealt with by the single agency and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). Mr Mark was barred from teaching indefinitely by the National College for Teaching and Leadership (NCTL) in July 2014. Following the NCTL decision, the school wrote to parents informing them of the outcome. After considering advice from the LADO, the school handed all the material they had to Hampshire Constabulary.

In December 2014 a criminal investigation was commenced by Hampshire Constabulary. Mr Mark was subsequently charged with 17 offences of possessing indecent images of children which had been downloaded from the internet. Mr Mark was sentenced to six month's imprisonment in February 2016.

██████████ whose son was a pupil at the school, made a number of complaints regarding Hampshire Constabularies' decision not to investigate the offences when referred in 2012, a failure to record the occurrence in accordance with Home Office Counting Rules, and that police inactivity led to the 17 offences being committed against children. Mr ██████████ complaints were assessed in accordance with the Police Reform Act 2002, and a series of non-recording letters were sent to ██████████ on the basis that he was not a person whose son was subject of the investigation, or was adversely affected by the investigation. ██████████ appealed these non-recording decisions to the IPCC, who did not uphold his appeals. ██████████ subsequently wrote to the Children's Commissioner, and the Children's Commissioner wrote to the IPCC highlighting ██████████ concerns. The IPCC then wrote to Hampshire Constabulary directing that a conduct assessment be completed in accordance with Section 6.4 of the IPCC Manual of Guidance.

Conduct assessment conclusions

Hampshire Constabulary identified the following concerns in their conduct assessment:

This is Hampshire Constabulary breaking the law in a very fundamental way.

- The referral from the LADO in December 2012 and subsequent contact with Dorset was not recorded on the force's Record Management System (RMS)
- The further referral in October 2013 and interaction with the LADO following the return of items belonging to Mr Mark by a colleague was not recorded on RMS.
- Procedure for the referral by the LADO in December 2012 required an initial police investigation by Hampshire Police to establish the nature of the relationship between teacher and pupil.
- Local and national safeguarding procedures required the full facts of a case to be established prior to concluding whether a position of trust allegation should be single agency and if a criminal investigation is required.

Dorset police officially acknowledged this was not so. But this evidence was suppressed by Roger Trencher and the PSD ...

The conduct assessment notes that the decision in December 2012 to refer the matter to Dorset Police was in accordance with Hampshire Constabulary's local procedure, as all parties directly involved resided in Dorset. ... So they could tell this lie of course.

Concerning conduct issues, no individual officers have been identified within the report. It is also noted that the issues identified relate to the recording of information within the force's systems or are matters regarding adherence to procedure. As such, the conduct assessment notes that the identified issues are procedural in nature. It is also noted that steps have been taken to ensure that all contacts regarding LADO referrals are recorded on RMS. Officer's broke the law and endangered children. But nothing to answer for.

The conduct assessment further notes that the procedural issues concerning Hampshire Constabulary's handling of Mr Mark appear to be isolated occurrences, and audits of similar position of trust cases from the period do not raise concerns with Hampshire Constabulary's recording of referrals or the decisions made regarding them. On the basis that the identified concerns are procedural in nature, they appear to be isolated occurrences, no officers have been identified and actions have been taken to rectify the procedural concerns in future, there does not appear to be an indication of any conduct matters.



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Our ref: CO/00554/22

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Date: 20 September 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

COMPLAINT AGAINST POLICE

I have made further enquiries as a result of our correspondence, and I hope this clarifies your Points.

You asked if the DS was involved in the decision making about how Mr Mark should be dealt with which are points 4 and 5 below.

The officer has explained that he liaised with the LADO knowing that Hampshire Police had said they would not deal with the case. He recalls that he felt that the matter was for Hampshire to investigate as the concerns appear to have arisen from the school and were reported as inappropriate communication between teacher and child. At the time he had no information to suggest there were offences in Dorset and it would be for the LADO to co-ordinate the investigation. He remembers that it was the LADO's preferred option that the matter be dealt with by the Education Authority. The information available to him from the referral and speaking to the LADO did not suggest offences had been committed in Dorset, he felt Hampshire Police should investigate and informed the LADO of his view.

In relation to your points below I can confirm from my enquires that they are correct.

1. No file or any evidence on the Tyrone Mark case was sent to Dorset Police at anytime.
2. No crime was recorded under the HOCR.
3. Dorset Police did not investigate.
4. Dorset Police did not make any decisions on the case.
5. Dorset Police did not decide the case should be handled on a single agency basis.
6. The case was not transferred to Dorset Police by Hampshire Police.

I hope that I have provided clarity for the further points you raised.

Dorset Police expose the
lies in the Hampshire
Constabulary Report

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Complaints & Misconduct Unit

False report never investigated despite Dorset Head of PSD confirming need for investigation. Hampshire Police have just lied about the matter of the false report being investigated. And even paid a solicitor to lie for them (Tom Silson - Plexus Law).



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27 April 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

COMPLAINT AGAINST POLICE

I am the Head of Professional Standards and have been kept updated on your dealings with the office via Mr Watkinson.

I fully appreciate your frustration, and indeed given my role as Head of Professional Standards, if I had any jurisdiction in this case, I would absolutely direct an investigation. Unfortunately, this is clearly a matter for the Hampshire Force, and so I asked Deputy Chief Constable De Reya to pass this to her equivalent Deputy Chief Constable in Hampshire, which was completed. Neither our Chief Constable nor Deputy have any authority over Hampshire Police.

If you remain dissatisfied you can write to the Chief Constable in Hampshire direct, and/or write to the IOPC (Independent Office for Police Conduct) who oversee all police forces.

If you wish to make a formal complaint, then we will of course ensure it is appropriately recorded and handled in accordance with regulations.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Detective Superintendent
Head of Professional Standards Department

Sent: 23 February 2024 10:17
To: 'Danny Simpson'; 'civil.litigation@hampshire.pnn.police.uk'
Cc: 'chief.constable@hampshire.pnn.police.uk'
Subject: RE: Proposed Judicial Review of IOPC decisions dated 31 January 2024

How much more obvious
could it be....

Dear Mr. Simpson,

Thank you for your response to my letter of claim.

May I ask why you have not provided the investigation reports I requested under your clients duty of candour ?

Additionally you maintain Dorset Police's evidence does not contradict the assessment report. Note:

Quote from assessment:

"the matter was referred to Dorset Police who decided that a single agency referral was appropriate and could be conducted by the school."

So it tells us Dorset Police made the decisions on the case.

Extract from Dorset Police's evidence:

1. No file or any evidence on the Tyrone Mark case was sent to Dorset Police at anytime.
2. No crime was recorded under the HOCR.
3. Dorset Police did not investigate.
4. Dorset Police did not make any decisions on the case.
5. Dorset Police did not decide the case should be handled on a single agency basis.
6. The case was not transferred to Dorset Police by Hampshire Police.

This is a serious oversight that you need correct for the benefit of the Court. If you now provide me with the investigation reports (given the Chief Officer maintains this evidence has been instigated before) and explain how points 4 & 5 in the evidence from Dorset



Police do not explicitly contradict the referenced statement in the assessment provided above, I will not proceed.

Likewise:

Then we have the implicit meaning of the assessment which is clearly designed about improperly passing responsibility to Dorset Police for the initial catastrophic handling of the case.

Thank you



They had buried the previous evidence of lies too. Same modus operandi as now. Roger Trencher the Force Solicitor personally sat on this evidence and made sure it did not see the light of day by failing to send it to people with oversight of the assessment. Stephen Franks of the PSD was sent it to (the author of the false report). He therefore knew at the time writing the report he was putting forward serious misinformation.

From: Campbell, Keith (5108) [<mailto:Keith.Campbell@Dorset.PNN.Police.uk>]

Sent: 29 October 2014 17:37

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Review of Dorset Police Response 2014-626 NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Just part of the evidence proving the conduct assessment to be a lie. Suppressed by the Force Solicitor Roger Trencher and the PSD who were explicitly asked to forward it on to Lesley Longstone and Jennifer Izekor but deliberately failed to do as easily proved by correspondence. Dorset Police confirmed they did not deal with the case and were not sent the evidence as the conduct assessment dishonestly leads you to believe.

This matter was discussed with the Head of our Professional Standards Department, Superintendent Peter Windle and I have been nominated to respond due to my involvement and responsibility in the matter.

Supt Windle is of the opinion that it might assist you if I make the comments in my previous communication more explicit, and I do so below:

Dorset Police did receive some information that was appropriate in the circumstances but this was purely for our reference and is not suitable for disclosure. Dorset Police was not involved in any investigation of the matter. We did not receive any file of related material; indeed our knowledge that such a file exists comes from information supplied by you. We have double checked this and make the assertion with confidence.

Our knowledge of the detail of what happened in response to this matter is minimal but it is possible that this was dealt with by the school and Hampshire County Council staff, since the local authority has primacy in welfare and education issues related to children and young persons. The information that we received originated from HCC.

To conclude, we can only reiterate that this matter was not dealt with by Dorset Police and we received no file of any sort from the school or any other involved party.

Please see the notice below which outlines your right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office about this matter.

If you are not satisfied with our response in relation to your request for information then you have the right to refer this to the Information Commissioner who will consider your complaint. You can contact the Commissioner at: -

**Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.**

As you can see this exposes the lie in the assessment. The case and evidence was not transferred to Dorset Police for investigation or follow up at all, and not recorded by them. Hampshire Constabulary blocked evidence to cover up and protect officers for "looking the other way" for 2 years.

E-mail mail@ico.gsi.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

This is just SOME of the suppressed evidence

**Keith Campbell
Freedom of Information Manager**

Our ref: CH.14.07.26

22 July 2014

Lies to parents - no police investigation had taken place. It appears someone at Hampshire Constabulary was given false information to the school and Hampshire County Council that a police investigation had taken place when it had not. The alternative is they made it up.

Dear

Re: Misconduct hearing of former member of staff

We are writing to you because last week a former member of our teaching staff, Mr Mark, was the subject of a professional misconduct hearing and has been permanently prohibited from teaching.

Mr Mark had his contract terminated by the school in March 2013, following allegations that he formed an inappropriate relationship with a student outside of school.

I would like to reassure you that the police investigated these matters and found no criminal activity had taken place.

Acting upon legal advice, this has been the first opportunity we have had to comment publicly on the matter.

We take the safety of your children extremely seriously.

From the outset when these allegations were made known to us Mr Mark was immediately suspended and we worked closely with both the local authority and the police. We have taken substantial professional advice and followed national child protection guidelines throughout.

Given our concerns, it was only right that we referred the matter to the attention of the Disclosure and Barring Service, the government body which replaces the Criminal Records Bureau and Independent Safeguarding Authority.

Some months after Mr Mark had his employment terminated by the school it emerged that he had documents and files in his home containing his personal thoughts on students.

We were shocked and disgusted by Mr Mark's actions. The very serious nature of the national panel's findings reflects this and we fully support the decision taken to prohibit him from teaching following our referral.

There is no evidence that Mr Mark formed inappropriate relationships with any other student.

To protect the identity of the student involved we are unable to go into any further detail.

We respectfully ask that your children and others refrain from using social media speculation on this matter to protect the identity and feelings of the student

Mr Mark was a very experienced teacher, a colleague for many years; we feel that the trust we placed in him has been betrayed.

If any parent/carer has any concerns following this news the Headteacher will be happy to talk to you when the school is back in session in September but we must stress that we cannot go into the details of this particular case for the reasons outlined above.

Yours sincerely

C C Hummerstone
Headteacher

Elizabeth Cook
Chairman

Subject: FW: From office of Rt Hon Desmond Swayne TD MP

The Head of Children's Services
Mr. John Coughlan.

From: MOIRA SWAYNE [<mailto:swaynem@hotmail.co.uk>]

Sent: 15 February 2015 10:46

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: From office of Rt Hon Desmond Swayne TD MP

He was putting forward false
misleading information too. Was
he misled by someone at Hampshire
Police?? (

Dear [REDACTED]

Please find below the body of the emailed letter sent by John Coughlan to Mr Swayne on 26th January.

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Date 26th January 2015

Dear Mr Swayne

I am very sorry for the delay in responding to your letter. I had asked our legal advisers to consider the position, and there was some delay at their end for which they apologise.

Hampshire County Council did not conduct an investigation into the allegations made against Mark Tyrone. When it was approached by the Arnewood Academy in December 2012, enquiries including contact with the Police led officers to conclude, appropriately, that the matter should be investigated internally by the Academy. I remain confident with that conclusion.

Wow he was committing child sex
offences when Coughlan wrote this.

It follows that there is no local authority investigation file, as such, to be disclosed to the Police, but we would of course co-operate fully with any request from the Police for any material which we hold, to the extent that we are required or permitted to do so.

I trust that this answers your question, but please do let me know if I can assist further.

Best wishes

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From: public.access@hampshire.pnn.police.uk
Sent: 21 August 2014 13:05
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FOI Appeal

Mr [REDACTED]

Yes that is correct.

Jason

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 August 2014 12:57
To: PUBLIC ACCESS Mailbox
Subject: RE: FOI Appeal

Dear Mr. Russell,

Sorry, just one more thing if I may. I presume from that response Hampshire Constabulary have no incident or crime number recorded for this?

Regards

From: public.access@hampshire.pnn.police.uk [<mailto:public.access@hampshire.pnn.police.uk>]

Sent: 21 August 2014 09:34

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: FOI Appeal

Parent sent on a wild goose chase to find out about material in this teacher's "sex dossiers". We now know Dorset were never sent or even informed about.

I refer to your latest email below and your request for a review of Hampshire Constabulary's response to your FOI request.

I can confirm that I have now concluded my review and I have decided that we are in a position to respond to your request without using the neither confirm nor deny exemption under Section 40.

As a result, I can now state that Hampshire Constabulary hold no information in respect of your request. **However, if you contact Dorset Police they should be in a position to respond.**

If you wish to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 August 2014 13:55
To: PUBLIC ACCESS Mailbox
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Request HC/1369/14

Attachments: news article.pdf; Mark__Tyrone_-_Web_Decision_-_9951029.pdf
HC/1369/14

Dear Information Team,

Additional attachments for Mr. Russell when he reviews this request. News article and public NCTL decision. Confirmation it is already in the public domain there was a police investigation into this named individual in the press. Confirmation and reassurances now sought from the Constabulary. And files containing abusive material on children exists also in the public domain as per the attached NCTL decision and press coverage. The CPS has been direct about this and told us they do not hold this information, surely the police should be forthright too.

Thank you.

[REDACTED]

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Lying in a pre-action response letter is a serious criminal matter. Dorset Police's evidence establishing Hampshire Police report was/is substantively false has never been investigated at anytime and Mr. Silson will not provide the disclosure under court rules which would bare that out. The lies are as clear as day. Where are the investigation reports then?? He was instructed by David Winter the head of Hampshire Constabularies Professional Standards Department (PSD).

PLEXUS

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Your ref:
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T: 0161 245 7973

Sent by email only [REDACTED]

Dear Sir

[REDACTED]

We refer to the above matter in which we act on behalf of the Defendant.

We have now had the chance to consider your Judicial review Pre-Action letter dated 14.06.23 together with the preceding emails requesting a formal response.

To the points raised in your JR Pre-Action letter dated 14.06.23, the Defendant responds as follows (for the avoidance of doubt we have adopted the same numbering as you have used: -

1. As clearly stated in the letter of Chief Inspector David Winter, Hampshire consider your most recent complaint concerns substantially the same conduct and/or issue as has been investigated before – essentially, your allegation that there was no “investigation” following receipt of alleged ‘evidence’ from Dorset Police.

LIE 1

Hampshire do not accept your suggestion that you have disclosed anything that warrants a new investigation as there is no fresh indication that any person serving with Hampshire has committed a criminal offence or behaved in a way which would justify bringing disciplinary proceedings.

LIE 2

Finally, Hampshire are confident that your previous complaints have been investigated and handled accordingly and we note that on occasion where you have been dissatisfied with those responses, you have requested a review from the IOPC.

At the time of writing, the IOPC have not found any fault against Hampshire and, therefore, its decision to categorise your latest complaint as repetitious, remains valid.

2. On receipt of your initial complaint, it was recorded and allocated a reference number CO/1380/23. DCC Hutson received the matters from Dorset Police and referred them into the Professional Standards Department.

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Having considered the letter dated 27.04.23, Hampshire does not accept your submission as to what alleged involvement DCC Hutson had 'in matters' (non-admitted). Hampshire has clearly set out what evidence has been considered and why it believes the complaint to be repetitious.

3. Hampshire respectfully avers that it has complied and followed due process in its complaints procedure. It is also aware that Judicial Review is a last resort.
4. This requires no formal response.
5. All complaint investigations are handled in an impartial manner and C/Insp Winter has taken the view that this was not an investigation. It is therefore his approach that the highlighted section – *“investigator must not work, directly, or indirectly, under the management of the person being investigated”*, is not relevant in this matter. There is no investigation into the actions of DCC Hutson and so no conflict arose.

C/Insp Winter has explained in his letter what the actions were of DCC Hutson in terms of passing the letter from Dorset Police to him. C/Insp Winter is aware of all of the circumstances around this matter and understands the history of it. He also understands that Dorset Police were unaware of all the historical actions that Hampshire and the Isle of Wight Police had undertaken to deal with this matter and it is of no surprise to him that D/Supt Kessell wrote the letter in the way he did. D/Supt Kessell's response may have been different had he been fully aware of the background to this matter.

In your additional correspondence, you also raise a number of objections to Hampshire's process and handling of this situation. As previously indicated, Hampshire does not accept your assertions and relies on its previous responses.

To assist, however, Hampshire wishes to clarify the following: -

- Hampshire have accepted in the Op Whyte report, dated 23rd February 2014 (and previously supplied to you) that there was a gap in the processes for this type of issue. Changes were made to close the gap that existed.
- Hampshire are not clear as to what Dorset's 'evidence' is as you suggest. Dorset have not completed any investigation and so did not collect any evidence. The Dorset Police letter to you states that:

“On 11th December 2012 the Hampshire LADO sent an email to Hampshire Police's Public Protection Unit (PPU) summarising the issue. In the body of the email it was noted, “there is no evidence to suggest that it is sexual, although the nature of the gifts and cards could be seen as grooming”

The same day the email was forwarded by Hampshire Police to Dorset Police's Safeguarding Referral Unit (SRU) with the annotation that both teacher and pupil reside in the Dorset Police area.

- There is nothing to suggest that a file of evidence was ever sent to Dorset Police, it appears that the email was the notification from which the force then created a crime reference number for and which contains the actions that show the following.

- The matter was recorded under reference number C:12:C:52198 linked to a form CP01 and classified as a “None Crime CP:01 Child protection non-crime in line with crime recording standards at that time. A CP 01 was a proforma document that was submitted to local child services if there was any contact with a child.
- It is the Investigating Officers (IO) understanding that Crime reference number would be created to attach the CP 01 and for actions/enquires to be recorded on the record.
- It was recorded that concerns had been raised due to inappropriate communication between the teacher and pupil, however, there had been no suggestion of sex or attempts to have sex.
- It was further noted, *“I have contacted Hants CRU. It is unclear where these offences have occurred. Having read their referral (email) it appears that the offender and the victim’s parents are colleagues. So, it suggests to me these offences have happened in Hants.”.*

This is entirely consistent with what Hampshire have provided you. Hampshire are not aware of Dorset providing it with any evidence.

- Dorset Police have recorded what was referred to them but then taken no further action. With all due respect, Hampshire’s position is that any comment by D.Supt Kessell is made without the full understanding or sight of the work that had already been undertaken by Hampshire and previously shared with you.
- Hampshire shared information with Dorset who did not identify anything that they should deal with. It was passed back to Hampshire and it decided that the LADO could deal with it through the Education process.
- The IOPC are aware of this matter as previously stated to you. Hampshire have provided background papers to the IOPC regarding the conduct assessment. It has had correspondence with the IOPC and it has shared this with them. Hampshire believes it has referred all relevant matters to the IOPC.
- Upon further review of the letters from Dorset Police, Hampshire respectfully aver that they match the details already been provided to you - in terms of the handling of the case and the conduct assessment. Hampshire cannot identify where there is anything new to consider. Hampshire do not believe that the Dorset investigation shows that it produced a false report as you appear to allege.
- Your complaint regarding Mr Trencher is still ongoing – complaint reference number CO/484/19. But for the avoidance of doubt, Hampshire maintain the position of the conduct assessment completed by Mr Franks.
- As previously explained to you, Hampshire have taken the learning identified following the Conduct Assessment and it has improved and changed its processes. It has also set out previously when it is required to record crimes that are related to the complaints process. It has shared its view of the interpretation of the Home Office Counting Rules and the National

Crime Recording Standards with you and makes no further comments/submissions on this point.

- For the avoidance of any doubt, Mr Trencher has nothing to do with this matter. All instructions are provided by C/Insp David Winter.

Hampshire now feel it has exhausted reasonable correspondence with you.

It believes the points you have raised, and its responses thereafter, are becoming entrenched and are merely repeating the same accusations and rebuttals.

Hampshire does not wish to enter into further protracted correspondence on this issue and considers that if you remain unsatisfied with the above response, it is entirely your decision whether you wish to proceed with Judicial Review.

Should any claim be issued, however, Hampshire will file Grounds to Object and seek its costs of doing so from you direct.

Yours faithfully

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