

Public Protection Unit 2 Marsham Street London SW1P 4DF T: 020 7035 4848 www.gov.uk/homeoffice

Joyce Parker Community Safety Team Leader Perceval House 14-16 Uxbridge road Ealing W5 2HL

14 May 2019

Dear Ms Parker

Thank you for submitting the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) report for Ealing to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was considered at the QA Panel meeting on 27 March 2019.

The QA Panel would like to thank you for conducting this review and for providing them with the final report. The Panel considered that this is a well written report with robust recommendations.

There were some other aspects of the report which the QA Panel felt may benefit from further analysis, or be revised, which you will wish to consider:

- The Panel recommended that the exact date of trial is removed from the Overview and Executive Summary to increase anonymity.
- The Panel suggested that the report could include further exploration around the victim's admission that she was saving money in order to leave, for example whether access to alternative accommodation or financial assistance from her employer might be helpful.
- The Panel suggested that you may wish to consider adding a recommendation for the Community Safety Partnership to look at how to increase community education about domestic abuse and sources of support for family and friends.



- The Panel queried the statement in paragraph 3.4.1 that 'Consent from perpetrator to view medical records not received' given that the table displaying agency contributions at paragraph 1.11.2 lists the perpetrator's GP as having provided a chronology and IMR. The Panel suggested that if the review had access to the perpetrator's records via the IMR, it would be helpful to cite that this was done 'in the public interest' following the appropriate guidance.
- An action plan should be included.
- The report should be proof read to address discrepancies around the date of death cited, the use of acronyms and some typographical errors.

The Panel does not need to review another version of the report, but I would be grateful if you could include our letter as an appendix to the report. I would be grateful if you could email us at DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk and provide us with the URL to the report when it is published.

The QA Panel felt it would be helpful to routinely sight Police and Crime Commissioners on DHRs in their local area. I am, accordingly, copying this letter to the PCC for information.

Yours sincerely

Charlotte Hickman

Joint Chair of the Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel