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What are your priorities for your police service? - A Review of our Strategic Police Priorities – Continuation of Pre-consultation Engagement to April 2016

I am writing to update on the progress made with the Review of our Scottish Strategic Police Priorities further to my previous letter of 1 December. Since the launch of our discussion paper last year to commence our programme of engagement, there has been a strong level of participation and interest to our review from a wide range of sectors and individuals across Scotland. There has been a good response in providing input, feedback and ideas across our Scottish Government communication channels to what any revised future Strategic Police Priorities should both look like and include. I would like to thank you for your engagement in this first process.

I am encouraged by this open dialogue in capturing the range of views on what is important about our police service. Our initial stage of pre-consultation engagement for responses to the discussion paper closed on 12 February. I am keen now to continue this conversation to ensure we capture the full breadth of views to make sure that redrafted priorities take account of wider work around the planning for police services in Scotland, including the SPA's Governance Review which will report later on in March. The deadline for responses is now **Friday 29 April**.

A summary of what we have done and what we have heard so far during this initial period is now available on the Scottish Government website, alongside the discussion paper and fact sheets.

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Justice/policies/police-fire-rescue/police-scotland/StrategicPolicePriorities>

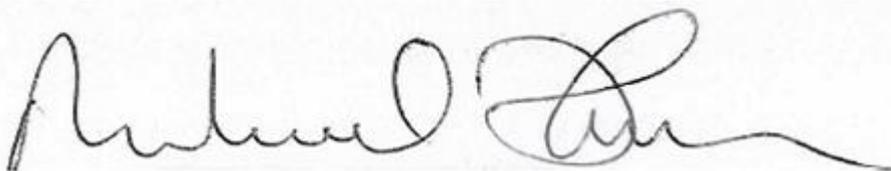
We would be happy to receive further responses. I would also be grateful if you could continue to disseminate information about this discussion through your local network of contacts, social media channels and local communities and encourage engagement. Responses can be submitted:

- by emailing: ScotPolicePriorities@gov.scot
- via the Scottish Government Digital 'Dialogue' feedback platform <https://ideas.scotland.gov.uk/strategic-police-priorities>
- via twitter using the hashtag #ScotPolicePriorities
- or you can post your views to:

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I very much welcome your ongoing support.



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