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Via email: [REDACTED]

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Dear Mr Murray,

Preventing Future Deaths Report – Michael Sean Heath

Thank you for providing the College of Policing with a copy of your report dated 2nd October 2024 following the death of Michael Heath. Our thoughts are with the family of Mr Heath following his tragic death.

The College of Policing recognises the risks associated with mental health incidents and we understand the critical importance of decisions about the appropriate response to such calls.

The police response to mental health incidents is now covered by the national 'Right Care Right Person' (RCRP) framework, with further guidance provide by the College's Authorised Professional Practice (APP) and an associated toolkit. The College of Policing also works closely with the National Police Chiefs' Council which is supporting forces in the development and implementation of this policy. The toolkit and guidance were published in 2023 and the College has also created a bespoke e-learning training package, which is available to all police forces.

We are in contact with Greater Manchester Police and we know that they are working with local partners on the implementation of RCRP, which is critical to ensuring an appropriate response to mental health incidents.

I would like to reassure you that we are working hard to ensure that our APP and guidance provide forces with the tools, training and support to deal appropriately with the issues that you have highlighted.

If there is anything further that we can assist with, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer

College of Policing

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