

For Consideration	
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IPCC Investigations, Recommendations & Actions

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To inform the PCC in respect of the complaint and conduct matters which have been referred by Nottinghamshire Police to the IPCC during the relevant period 1st October 2016 to 1st August 2017, together with relevant recommendations and actions

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That the panel receive assurance from the processes in place relating to IPCC investigations as detailed within the report

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 To provide the PCC with relevant information and oversight in respect of cases that Nottinghamshire Police refers to the IPCC

4. Summary of Key Points

- 4.1 The data summary below outlines cases referred to the IPCC during the relevant period:

		Force Deal	Independent	Local	Supervised	Total
Complaint	Criminal offence or discriminatory behavior likely to lead to discipline	0	0	1	0	1
	Death or serious injury	0	4	1	0	5
	Relevant offence	0	0	1	0	1
	Voluntary	0	1	2	0	3
	Total	0	5	5	0	10
Conduct	Criminal offence or discriminatory behaviour likely	0	0	1	0	1

	to lead to discipline					
	Death or serious injury	0	1	0	0	1
	Relevant offence	0	0	1	0	1
	Voluntary	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	0	1	2	1	4
Miscellaneous	Death or serious injury	6	9	15	0	30
	Total	6	9	15	0	30
Total		6	15	22	1	44

For the previous reporting period there were a total of 25 referrals to the IPCC. The below data shows how the miscellaneous cases are broken down by type. This increase could be accounted for by seasonal trends as the winter and Christmas period has been captured. More analysis would need to be done to support or refute this.

Case Status	Case Recorded	Case Finalised	Incident Summary
Finalised	28/07/2017	28/07/2017	Sudden death
Live	10/07/2017		sudden death
Finalised	03/07/2017	03/07/2017	Fatal RTC
Finalised	28/06/2017	28/06/2017	sudden death
Finalised	22/06/2017	22/06/2017	Sudden death
Live	15/06/2017		dog bite
Finalised	01/06/2017	01/06/2017	attempted suicide
Finalised	01/06/2017	01/06/2017	Near miss Custody
Finalised	01/06/2017	01/06/2017	sudden death
Finalised	31/05/2017	31/05/2017	Sudden death
Finalised	31/05/2017	31/05/2017	Sudden death
Finalised	31/05/2017	19/06/2017	Injury on police contact

Finalised	24/05/2017	30/05/2017	sudden death
Live	15/05/2017		sudden death
Finalised	15/05/2017	15/05/2017	Attempted suicide
Finalised	15/05/2017	15/05/2017	sudden death
Finalised	09/05/2017	06/06/2017	Dog bite
Live	09/05/2017		Injury on police contact
Live	05/04/2017		death in custody
Finalised	16/03/2017	16/03/2017	dog bite
Finalised	10/03/2017	02/03/2017	fatal RTC
Finalised	21/02/2017	08/03/2017	sudden death
Finalised	27/01/2017	19/06/2017	dog bite
Finalised	16/01/2017	25/07/2017	sudden death
Finalised	12/01/2017	26/06/2017	sudden death
Live	13/12/2016		Injury on arrest
Finalised	05/12/2016	17/05/2017	Injury on arrest and dog bite
Finalised	20/10/2016	26/04/2017	sudden death
Finalised	06/10/2016	09/12/2016	sudden death

- 4.2 Nottinghamshire Police continues to maintain a good application of the IPCC Statutory Guidance having due regard to compliance with voluntary and mandatory referrals. Improvements have been made in joint working with the IPCC including shared participation in "Death & Serious Injury" (DSI) training with staff from the custody suites. There are a small number of instances within this data of death following investigation/custody release. Well embedded in the custody process is the pre-release custody risk assessment. All detainees on release are given a pack of useful contacts should they feel in crisis. This process is mirrored in the voluntary attendance process.
- 4.3 While some elements of DSI during Police contact require a mandatory referral (e.g. during or shortly after detention / arrest) other incidents require a professional assessment based on the information known at the time. Supervisors across the force are well versed as to when to consider a referral and this would account for the positive increase in reporting of sudden death

referrals. There have been no recommendations or learning as a result of the finalised cases.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

5.1 There are no specific financial implications in respect of this report. The Directorate is aware of its responsibilities in relation to 'Spending Money Wisely' and the information within this report exemplifies approaches to manage resources effectively.

6. Human Resources Implications

6.1 PSD resources are under constant review, ensuring that the department has both the capacity and capability to meet demand. Where additional resources have been required these have been authorised and temporary staff recruited where necessary.

7. Equality Implications

7.1 No specific implications

8. Risk Management

8.1 It is essential the public have confidence in the service Nottinghamshire Police provide.

8.2 Organisational learning is a whole organisation responsibility which helps to mitigate risk. Professional Standards Directorate contributes to risk management through the sharing of learning and encouragement of change across the organisation where appropriate.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

9.1 IPCC Investigations ensure that the public can have confidence in the independence, accountability and integrity, of the most serious of cases, most notably Death or Serious Injury.

9.2 It is the responsibility of the force to ensure mandatory and voluntary referrals are made in a timely fashion and that appropriate support is given to IPCC investigators. This delivers professional services in support of the organisations PROUD values.

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

10.1 None

11. Details of outcome of consultation

11.1 None

12. Appendices

12.1 None