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Dear Home Secretary and Sir Thomas,

**HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services Effectiveness Report – March 2018**

I am writing to you with my comments on the above report, as required by Section 37 of the Policing and Crime Act 2017. I welcome the report, which was published on 22 March 2018.

I am pleased the Inspectors have recognised many of the improvements taking place within Humberside Police and the positive effect that is starting to be felt in our communities. Last years’ rating of inadequate in the Vulnerability section of the report was totally unacceptable and I am reassured that the new force leadership team under Chief Constable Lee Freeman are getting to grips with the issues, resulting in an improved grading for vulnerability this year.

Some of the improvements being made in the force have also been highlighted as good examples in the national report by HMICFRS; it has been some time since this has happened and shows the progress that is now under way. The recruitment campaign to boost our police officer numbers and deliver an improved service to the public is the envy of many other forces. The Inspectors also remarked positively on the work we do with our partner organisations.

There are some areas where Humberside Police needs to improve to receive a higher overall grade in future and I will be addressing these with the Chief Constable, but as a whole the public should be reassured that the Force is on the road to sustained improvement.

I will post this response onto my web-site for public access.

Yours sincerely



Keith Hunter  
Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside

cc:

Rt Hon Nick Hurd MP  
David Lloyd, Chair of the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners  
Lee Freeman, Chief Constable, Humberside Police  
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