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Dear Justine,

Thank you for resubmitting the report (Joan) for South Ribble Community Safety Partnership to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was reassessed in November 2022.

The QA Panel felt the DHR is thoughtful, well-structured, clear throughout and easy to read. It features thorough analysis and a clear rationale relating to coercive and controlling behaviour and a good range of case specific key lines of enquiry. The terms of reference are insightful and probing. Despite a lack of family involvement, there is a sense of the deceased's voice throughout the review and the review does not feel defensive. The report opens with condolences and has a clear explanation on how pseudonyms were chosen.

Given the limited prior knowledge of the domestic abuse the report does well to pull the learning opportunities from the information available and clearly highlights changes in practice since the review period. The equality and diversity section identifies a range of relevant considerations including highlighting domestic abuse in older age and supplemented this with relevant research.

The Home Office noted that most of the issues raised in the previous feedback letter following the first submission have now been addressed.

The view of the Home Office is that the DHR may now be published.

We would be grateful if you could provide us with a finalised digital copy of the report with attachments and the weblink to the site where the report will be published. Please ensure this letter is published alongside the report.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk. This is for our own records for future analysis to go towards highlighting best practice and to inform public policy.

Please also send a digital copy to the Domestic Abuse Commissioner
DHR@domesticabusecommissioner.independent.gov.uk.

On behalf of the QA Panel, I would like to thank you, the report chair and author, and other colleagues for the considerable work that you have put into this review.

Yours sincerely,

Lynne Abrams

Chair of the Home Office DHR Quality Assurance Panel