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Dear Dave,

HMIC Best Use of Stop and Search (BUSS) scheme revisit assessment

Further to my letter dated 12 October 2016, I am writing to inform you of our assessment of your force's compliance with the Best Use of Stop and Search (BUSS) scheme. The revisit was carried out between 3 November 2016 and 20 November 2016, and included a review of your website and force documentation and consultation with relevant staff. Thank you for the assistance provided by your staff for this revisit.

HMIC's 2015 legitimacy inspection found that your force was not complying with one feature of the scheme in 2015: recording and publishing outcomes, including showing the connection between outcomes and objects searched for. I am pleased to confirm that our recent revisit has found that the force is now complying with this feature of the scheme. Our detailed assessment is set out at annex A.

Yours sincerely

Michael Cunningham
HM Inspector of Constabulary

Annex A: 2016 BUSS scheme revisit assessment for North Yorkshire Police

BUSS scheme feature	2016 HMIC assessment
Recording and publishing the full set of outcomes including showing the connection between outcomes and objects	<p data-bbox="446 488 1398 555" style="text-align: center;">The force is compliant with this feature</p> <p data-bbox="446 555 1398 750">The force records the full range of outcomes and also records if the outcome is connected to the original grounds for search so that it can determine if there is a connection between the outcome and the object of the search. An IT issue has prevented the force from publishing connection data in respect of some outcomes.</p> <p data-bbox="446 772 1398 916">Outcome data and the connection between outcomes and objects are published on the police.uk website. There is a useful link on the force's website directing the public to the data on the police.uk website.</p>