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Home Secretary,

**North Yorkshire's Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCCs) response to HMIC's reports on North Yorkshire Police's Stop & Search and the National Thematic report "Stop & Search Powers" dated July 2013**

I welcome the work and findings of the HMIC inspection into Stop and Search powers. Stop and Search, where appropriately used is an extremely effective tool.

North Yorkshire makes every effort to use it in a targeted, professional way, particularly focusing on travelling criminality and areas which are suffering crime problems.

Stop and Search is a contributing factor in North Yorkshire and the City of York continuing to have the lowest crime levels in England.

A Stop and Search Task and Finish group was set up to take forward the recommendations from the North Yorkshire Police and Thematic report on Stop and Search Powers. We welcome HMIC's re-visit this year on Stop and Search.

Yours sincerely

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