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Mrs G MacKenzie

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Dear Mrs MacKenzie,

Thank you for your letter of the 10th January.

In respect of the points you raise, relating to the investigation undertaken by DC Maddison, (supervised by DI Morgan), these have been considered by Superintendent Whiting, and form part of his report, which will be with the Police Complaints Authority imminently, for their decision as to any action to be taken. As Head of the Professional Standards Department it is important that I remain impartial in the investigation by Superintendent Whiting, therefore it would not be right for me to comment on the points you raise.

It is also for this reason that I have not previously initiated any contact with you. In broad terms the investigating officer is the person who maintains contact with people involved in a particular matter, as Superintendent Whiting has done in the complaint investigation, and DCI Burt has done in the continued criminal investigation. I am sorry that this approach appears to have caused you some concern, in so far as I have not been in contact with you, please let me reassure you that that was not my intention at all.

As the complaint investigation is very nearly complete, and it is the Police Complaints Authority who review the matter and make a final decision, I do not think that much more would be achieved by a personal meeting, though I very much appreciate your making yourself available should it have been helpful to have done so.

I will, of course, ensure that you are informed when the report is finally sent to the Authority.

Yours faithfully

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Chief Superintendent