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Dear Stakeholder

**SCOTTISH POLICE AUTHORITY
STRATEGIC POLICE PLAN REFRESH**

As you may know the Scottish Government is currently consulting on a proposed revision to the Strategic Policing Priorities. This consultation is open until Friday 4 October 2019 and views can be submitted via the following link:

<https://consult.gov.scot/safer-communities/review-of-strategic-police-priorities/>

In accordance with the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, the publication of new Strategic Police Priorities requires the Scottish Police Authority to review and if necessary revise the long term Strategic Police Plan.

An outcome based approach to planning and performance was developed through 2018 and an outcome based Annual Police Plan and supporting Performance Framework were approved by the SPA Board in March 2019.

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The Scottish Police Authority has, in collaboration with Police Scotland, established a joint project team to review the extant strategy *Policing 2026: Serving a Changing Scotland* and to conduct a wide ranging assessment of the strategic environment which would form the evidence base to shape a revision to the Plan. The current Plan is available via the following link:

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/assets/pdf/138327/386688/policing-2026-strategy.pdf>

A revised Plan would be outcome based and align to the National Performance Framework.

With a view to early strategic engagement with key partners, and in order to shape our thinking well ahead of a future formal consultation process, we are seeking your views on the key strategic challenges and opportunities for the improvement of policing in Scotland, which you think should be considered as part of the revision of the Strategic Police Plan.

Our SPA Strategy Programme Lead, Martin Smith, will coordinate inputs on behalf of the joint project team and Martin will be the point of contact should you or your staff have any queries. Could you please submit your view on key challenges and opportunities by email to martin.smith@spa.pnn.police.uk ideally with first thoughts **by Friday 22 November 2019.**

The SPA will continue to welcome your input on an ongoing basis throughout the development process, however we have scheduled a first discussion session with SPA Board members on Tuesday 29 October 2019, so any early feedback prior to this date would be appreciated and included in that session.

Many thanks for taking the time to share your views at this early engagement stage, which will help to inform our planning and ensure that our process reflects the views of strategic partners. This process will see us continue to work to develop a formal draft plan for consultation which we would expect to share with you formally around the end of 2019.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynn Brown". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L'.

LYNN BROWN
Interim Chief Executive