

Report of the Complaints Sub-Committee

The Panel met on Thursday, 13 March to consider the anonymous complaint regarding the alleged inappropriate use of police vehicle by the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC).

Present: Cllr Fiona Fitzpatrick, Cllr Mick Griffiths (Chair), Santokh Sidhu, Community Co-opted Member.

In attendance: Cllr Helen Flynn, Ray Busby, Officer

The Panel **CONSIDERED**

1. An anonymous complaint received by James Alexander, Leader of York City Council and passed to the North Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel (the Panel) in January 2014.
2. Correspondence from the Independent Police Complaints Commission referring this complaint to the Panel on the basis the Panel needs to establish whether there are grounds for the matter to be investigated, and if not, whether informal resolution would be appropriate.

The Panel thanks the PCC for:

1. A detailed account of the circumstances leading up to her decision to use the vehicle in question;
2. evidence demonstrating that her use of the vehicle was properly authorised in accordance with office practices and procedures; and
3. providing the certificate of insurance, which showed the PCC was properly insured to use the vehicle in question.

Given the above, the Panel **CONCLUDED** that the PCC's decision regarding the use of the vehicle was reasonable and justified.

The Panel therefore **RESOLVED** to:

1. Take no further action in relation to this complaint.
2. Inform the recipient of the anonymous complaint of its decision.
3. Publish a report of its findings.

COUNCILLOR MICK GRIFFITHS

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