

Police super-complaints: police response to victims of modern slavery

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1. 4 April 2022

The responses have now been published for this report. The link to these responses has been added to this page.

2. 26 May 2021

Updated to include the report of the findings for the super complaint and the report's press release

3. 1 July 2019

Updated details about the police super-complaint.

4. 29 April 2019

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Police super-complaints: police use of protective measures in cases of violence against women and girls

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1. 10 September 2021

Added an online HTML version of the report document: A duty to protect: Police use of protective measures in cases involving violence against women and girls

2. 24 August 2021

The details text has been updated to reflect the publication of the super complaint report. The final report attachments are also added.

3. 1 July 2019

Updated details section information.

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New Government Projects Chief Unveiled

Today (1 July) Government continues to build a world class project delivery system that is fit for the future, by appointing a permanent replacement to lead the delivery of major government projects.

Nick Smallwood, former Vice President for Projects Engineering and Chief Projects Engineer at Shell, will become IPA Chief Executive in August.

He joins the IPA with 37 years' experience of managing complex project portfolios and having developed Shell's Global Project Academy, where he was accountable for managing how projects were delivered and a variety of significant improvement programmes.

Nick is also a trustee of the board of the Association for Project Management (APM) until November 2019, where he contributes to the overall development of the UK's project management profession.

This appointment follows the departure of Tony Meggs in December 2018, who became Chairman of Crossrail to help the project complete its final delivery phase.

The IPA is the government's centre of expertise for infrastructure and major projects, reporting jointly to the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Minister for the Cabinet Office.

The IPA oversees the Government's Major Projects Portfolio, which contains around 150 of the Government's biggest and most complex projects, and the National Infrastructure and Construction Pipeline, which contains projections of £600bn of public and private infrastructure investment.

The IPA supports the delivery of these projects by helping set them up for success, setting the standards for how they should be delivered, building delivery capability in departments and industry, and providing commercial expertise and independent assurance.

Oliver Dowden, Minister for Implementation, Cabinet Office, said:

"I am pleased to welcome Nick to the Cabinet Office and am looking forward to

working with him in delivering some of the government's top policy priorities."

John Manzoni, Chief Executive of the Civil Service and Cabinet Office Permanent Secretary, said:

"The IPA is home to one of government's most important cross-cutting Functions. If Government's projects aren't delivered successfully, then our policy agenda can't be implemented.

"I'm thrilled that Nick will lead the IPA. Now more than ever we need experienced project leaders in government, putting deliverability at the heart of government policy."

Charles Roxburgh, Second Permanent Secretary at the Treasury, said:

"We are growing our economy by investing in the infrastructure and capital projects the country needs.

"Nick is joining the IPA at a critical moment as it helps ensure our investment is delivered on time and on budget and represents value for money for taxpayers."

Nick Smallwood, IPA Chief Executive, said

"Government is delivering an ambitious portfolio of major projects that will transform people's lives and the IPA has already made significant strides in building a world class regime that supports them.

"I want to focus on improving performance and taking our system to the next level."

[Nick Goodwin appointed as Public Guardian](#)



Nick Goodwin, Public Guardian and Chief Executive of the Office of the Public

Guardian.

Nick Goodwin, formerly the Ministry of Justice's (MOJ) director for access to justice policy, has taken over the role of Public Guardian following the retirement of Alan Eccles.

He was successful in fair and open competition for the role and his appointment has been approved by Justice Secretary David Gauke.

Nick has previously headed up teams leading on mental capacity policy at MOJ and has worked closely with the Office of the Public Guardian (OPG) before.

He said:

I am delighted to take on the role of Public Guardian and Chief Executive of the Office of the Public Guardian. I know from my prior experience of working on mental capacity policy just how important the work of OPG is in protecting those who have already, or may in future, lose their mental capacity and also in supporting those who care for them.

He also said:

I have been greatly impressed by the dedication and expertise of all the staff I have met and worked with at OPG and just how far the organisation has developed under Alan's leadership. I look forward to working with staff and its stakeholders to improve its vital services, so that we can deliver on the ambitious and user-centred agenda OPG has set itself.

Alan Eccles [retired on 30 June](#) after seven years as Public Guardian and OPG Chief Executive and more than 30 years as a barrister.

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[Boost for Borderlands: Growth Deal signed](#)

Today (1 July 2019) Scottish Secretary David Mundell was joined by Minister

for the Northern Powerhouse and Local Growth, Jake Berry, the Scottish Government's Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, Michael Matheson and the leaders of the 5 councils to sign a momentous deal for the region.

The deal will result in up to £394.5 million being invested into the 5 local authority areas on both sides of the border that make up the Borderlands.

This financial boost will accelerate the region's economic development, create jobs and encourage future investment in the area.

Up to £265 million is coming from the UK Government, £85 million from the Scottish Government and the remainder coming from the other partners.

Some of the projects, which are all subject to approval of business cases, include:

- up to £19 million for a world class mountain bike innovation centre
- up to £5 million for the development of the Lilidorei play village at Alnwick Gardens, a year-round visitor attraction to boost local economic growth
- up to £10 million joint funding with Scottish Government to assess the feasibility of extending the Borders Railway from Tweedbank to Carlisle
- up to £15 million in improvements at Carlisle railway station, as the largest station in the Borderlands, to enhance connectivity and access into the wider Borderlands region
- up to £16.2 million in the South of Scotland to improve digital connectivity
- up to £7.8 million to the development of a new business and employment site at Chapelcross, a former nuclear power station
- up to £4 million to support research and innovation in the dairy industry

The full Heads of Terms document sets out further details of the projects being proposed.

Scottish Secretary David Mundell said:

It's fantastic news that the UK Government is to invest up to £265 million in the Borderlands deal. This is an ambitious approach to cross-border working between governments, local authorities and partners which will boost economic growth by helping existing business, encouraging new ventures and bringing a wealth of improvements to people who live and work in the area and to visitors.

The Borderlands deal has made huge progress in the last 18 months. I'd like to thank the 5 local authorities who have worked so well together, along with the UK and Scottish governments, to achieve this.

The South of Scotland and northernmost parts of England operate as

a single economic area and it is important the border is not allowed to become an obstacle to development.

To date the UK Government has committed more than £1.41 billion of Growth Deal investment to support sustainable growth in Scotland and create jobs and opportunities for the future.

Minister for the Northern Powerhouse, Jake Berry MP, said:

This once-in-a-generation deal will deliver unprecedented investment in the Borderlands region while strengthening our cross-border links.

We have moved closer to finalising a deal which will deliver over 5,500 jobs, dramatically improve transport and digital connectivity, boost tourism and generate around £1.1 billion of economic benefits for the region.

With the combined strength of the UK, Scottish and local governments, let's use this Borderlands Deal to realise a new era of regeneration, inclusive growth and limitless economic opportunities for the Borderlands and the whole of the Northern Powerhouse."

See more information about the [Borderlands Deal](#),

The deal covers Dumfries and Galloway Council, Carlisle City Council, Cumbria County Council, Scottish Borders and Northumberland County Council.