



**POLICE & CRIME
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for Leicestershire**

Your voice in Leicester,
Leicestershire & Rutland

RT Hon Theresa May MP, Home Secretary

Thursday 10th December 2015

Dear Home Secretary

Re: Honour Based Violence – The Depths of Dishonor

“I note with interest the recent report, *Honour Based Violence – The Depths of Dishonour*, published by the HMIC on Tuesday 8 December.

“The report clearly highlights the need for all forces to understand better the complexities of honour-based violence, forced marriage and female genital mutilation if they are effectively to tackle these hidden crimes and encourage victims to come forward.

“Leicestershire Police has already delivered bespoke training on these crimes to officers and staff across the Force and it will, of course, continue to work closely with partner agencies and specialist organisations to raise awareness of these crimes.

“Nonetheless, I recognise that more work needs to be done to ensure that the Force is as fully prepared as possible in all areas (as outlined by the HMIC); I will continue to encourage the Chief Constable accordingly, as well as scrutinising the work of the Force, during my remaining time as PCC.”

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