

**DYFED-POWYS POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**  
**25/01/19**

**CRIME DATA RECORDING – REPORT BY HMICFRS**

**Recommendations / key decisions required:**

To note the report from Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary, Fire and Rescue Services and question the Commissioner regarding his response to it.

**Reasons:**

The report expresses concerns regarding the recording of certain crimes by Dyfed-Powys police

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
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On the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 the HMICFRS published its report following an inspection of how well Dyfed-Powys Police records crimes.

The overall judgement of the report was that improvement is required by the force.

Based upon its examination of crime reports during the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 HMICFRS estimates that Dyfed-Powys Police are failing to record over 3,300 reported crimes each year and that these include sexual offences, public order, and violence offences.

HMICFRS expressed concern that the recording rate for violent crime is only 84.4% (compared to an overall recording rate of 87.8 %.) It was particularly concerned about the recording of domestic abuse, stalking and harassment offences.

HMICFRS attributes this performance to a lack of understanding by staff of the crime-recording rules and limited supervision to correct errors.

HMICFRS acknowledged however that matters had improved since the last inspection in 2014 and that the current leadership of the force in respect of this issue was good.

HMICFRS identified 5 areas that require improvement and have made 4 recommendations which it expects the force to immediately act upon.

A copy of the HMICFRS report is attached.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED ?**

**YES**

**Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information**

**List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

**THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW**

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Host Authority File	LS-0511/40	County Hall Carmarthen