

**HMIC VALUING THE POLICE THEMATIC: “POLICING IN AUSTERITY: RISING TO THE CHALLENGE”**

I refer to the report published by Her Majesty’s Inspectorate of Constabulary on 18 July 2013 as part of the Valuing the Police programme of inspections. I have considered this report and have discussed the recommendations with the Chief Constable.

I welcome the report and am pleased that it finds that Cheshire Constabulary is making good progress in meeting its financial challenges. As part of my continued commitment to providing the people of Cheshire with an effective and efficient police service, I have instigated a root and branch review of the Constabulary to support my plans regarding the savings that must be made. I am gratified that Her Majesty’s Inspectorate has found that I am well placed to meet the challenge set by the Government.



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