

Subject: Domestic Homicide Reviews

Dear Melanie

The Safer Stockton Partnership considered your letter of 12 March at its meeting of 27 March and agreed a response as follows:-

- (a) we have no strong views for or against the regional pooling option but would welcome further details of how it would work (by our calculations, if the Durham contribution were £5k, and others proportional to population as suggested, then the total annual 'yield' would be about £20k, which could be less than the cost of a single DHR, if it were a complex one) ;
- (b) the pairing option has definite merits, and we would be happy in principle to pair with Hartlepool if they were willing to reciprocate;
- (c) data on historic distribution of domestic homicides in the region should be circulated (in Stockton there has been one in the last six years);
and
- (d) we would welcome an event, possibly hosted by ANEC, to share learning from the first few DHRs, including those in County Durham and any others taking place in the region.

I hope that is helpful, but please don't hesitate to contact me if you need any further details.

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