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Dear Dr Cseri,

Thank you for submitting the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) report (Linda) for St Albans Community Safety Partnership (CSP) to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Panel. The report was considered in March 2025. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

The report is clearly set out and well written. There is a moving tribute from Linda's friends and the report includes a clear combined narrative chronology of agency involvement. A comprehensive joint action plan has also been formulated and recommendations for improving practice have been identified.

The QA Panel felt that there are some aspects of the report which may benefit from further revision, but the Home Office is content that on completion of these changes, the DHR may be published.

**Areas for final development:**

- As Linda was separated from Graham at the time of her death, he should be referred to as her ex-partner. This is not consistent in the report, and he is sometimes referred to as her partner, for example on the table under section 2.1
- In the summary (1.1.1), it says Linda was found unconscious and died four days later in hospital. Then in the overview 2.1, it says Linda was found deceased. This is inconsistent and requires amending.
- The independence of panel members and IMR authors has not been stated in the report, and should be added.
- The last panel meeting is listed as June 2024, but the report completion is dated as May 2024. Please clarify this.
- Linda's ethnicity is not stated in the report; this should be added.

- The report reveals the sex of the children. Please amend these references to ensure anonymity.
- The dates of birth of the children are also disclosed (3.30 and 3.99) and should be removed. This is also disclosed in the executive summary.
- There is some sensitive information included in the review about Graham (for example, at 1.12.6). Since Graham has not faced any charges and is unaware of the review, the CSP should consider minimising the content in the report about Graham to only that which is absolutely relevant and necessary.

Once completed the Home Office would be grateful if you could provide us with a digital copy of the revised final version of the report with all finalised attachments and appendices and the weblink to the site where the report will be published. Please ensure this letter is published alongside the report.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to [DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:DHREnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk). This is for our own records for future analysis to go towards highlighting best practice and to inform public policy.

The DHR report including the executive summary and action plan should be converted to a PDF document and be smaller than 20 MB in size; this final Home Office QA Panel feedback letter should be attached to the end of the report as an annex; and the DHR Action Plan should be added to the report as an annex. This should include all implementation updates and note that the action plan is a live document and subject to change as outcomes are delivered.

Please also send a digital copy to the Domestic Abuse Commissioner at [DHR@domesticabusecommissioner.independent.gov.uk](mailto:DHR@domesticabusecommissioner.independent.gov.uk)

I would like to thank you, the report chair and author, and other colleagues for the considerable work that you have put into this review.

Yours sincerely,

Home Office DHR Team