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**Case Note: (152908010) Decision - Investigative - 17 Feb 2021 -
 Decision No. 2 - Contact with Alleged Offender**

Case Note

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Date Created: 19 Feb 2021 21:04
Title: Decision - Investigative - 17 Feb 2021 - Decision No. 2 - Contact with Alleged Offender
Note Type: DECISION
Applies To: SAUNDERS, Gareth

Details:

Decision Details - Decision Type

Investigative

Decision Details - Decision Subtype

Safety 1st

Decision Details - Decision Number

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Decision Details - Date of Decision

17-FEB-2021

Decision Details - Time of Decision

11:20

Decision - Decision title

Contact with Alleged Offender

Decision - Issue / Event

Following the widescale media reporting in relation to the allegations subject of this investigation, consideration has been given to contacting the alleged offender from a welfare perspective.

No formal statement from the has been provided to Police at this time in relation to the alleged offences and Police hold contact details for the alleged offender.

Decision - Reason for decision

It is not typical Police practice to contact alleged offenders before the full circumstance of the allegations are determined. Whilst the alleged offender is likely to be aware he is the subject of the allegations being reported in the media, an approach by Police may limit further investigative opportunities at a later time.

Police will remain focused on providing support for the victim in this matter and ensuring appropriate supports remain in place for her.

Decision - Decision

Not to contact the alleged offender

Decision - Consultation / Briefing / Distribution

Detective Superintendent Scott Moller was briefed on this matter on Tuesday 16 February 2021.

Detective Sergeant Gareth Saunders and Detective Inspector Marcus Boorman discussed this matter on Wednesday 17 February 2021.

The decision by Detective Inspector Boorman not to contact the alleged offender was supported by Detective Superintendent Moller on Thursday 18 February 2021.

Decision Maker - Name

Marcus Boorman

Decision Maker - Rank / Title

Detective Inspector

Cleared by - Cleared by

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Disclosure - Reason for protection
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Attachments:

No Attachments.

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