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21 October 2025

Dear Kathy,

CRIME AND POLICING BILL SECOND LCM – BARRED AND ADVISORY LIST

Thank you for your letter of 14 October 2025 in which you enquired whether there was scope to bring forward an amendment to the Justice Bill that would create policing barred and advisory lists for Northern Ireland.

I welcome the Committee's willingness to support such an amendment to the Justice Bill that would create these lists for Northern Ireland, and I wish to advise that it is the Minister's intention to bring forward an amendment to the Bill that will make provision for Northern Ireland Policing Barred and Advisory Lists for all law enforcement bodies in Northern Ireland.

I hope this information is of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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Crime and Policing Bill Second LCM – Barred and Advisory List

Dear David

At its meeting on 9 October 2025, the Committee for Justice considered your correspondence of 7 October 2025 (ref EXP\25\324) providing an update on developments in relation to the second LCM for the Crime and Policing Bill.

During the discussions at the oral evidence session on 11 September, officials acknowledged that the creation of Barred and Advisory lists for the PSNI only and not for the other organisations who had expressed an interest in being included in the provisions would leave a gap, though the expectation was that the majority being added to lists would be from the PSNI. The Committee expressed concern that the Barred and Advisory list will not now be created for the PSNI, which will leave in an even bigger gap.

Officials had advised that the creation of the lists for other bodies would require primary legislation. The Committee therefore agreed to ask if there would be scope to bring these provisions forward via an amendment to the Justice Bill or as part of either of the other two planned pieces of primary legislation within this mandate.

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I should appreciate a response by 7 November 2025.

Yours sincerely

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