

Laura Church Clerk to the Bedfordshire Police and Crime Panel Bedford Borough Council Borough Hall Cauldwell Street Bedford MK42 9AP

17^h June 2024

Dear Laura

Thank you for your email dated 13 June 2024 enclosing the confirmation hearing report for the appointment of the Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner on the 4^{th of} June 2024.

I note that the Police and Crime Panel gave the following recommendation:

That Commissioner Tizard be recommended to proceed with the appointment of Ms Umme Ali to the post of Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Bedfordshire.

I note the observations of panel members.

I can assure Panel members, that I will confirm when both my and the Deputy PCC's vetting processes are completed. I would also ask the Panel to note that both Umme Ali and I have volunteered to undertake a vetting process even though, this is not required by statute or regulation. We believe that leadership is important in our roles.

As I stated at the confirmation hearing Umme Ali will not be undertaking the same duties as the previous DPCC. Whilst Umme will deputise for me when required, her focus will be on championing victims of crime and on strategies for reducing and where it co-occurs tackling violence against women and children.

I repeat my view that Umme Ali is a woman of integrity who will bring significant experience and enormous energy and commitment to the role.

I repeat my desire and commitment to work constructively with the Panel and hope that this will always be reciprocated.

Good wishes

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John Tizard Police and Crime Commissioner