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26th November 2025

Dear Lisa,

Thank you for submitting the Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) report (Maxine) for North Tyneside Community Safety Partnership (CSP) to the Home Office Quality Assurance (QA) Board. The report was considered at the QA Board meeting on 5th November 2025. I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

Please find the QA Board's feedback in the form below. On completion of the changes suggested the DHR may be published.

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 and the feedback form is published alongside the report.

Please send the digital copy and weblink to 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 Board letter and feedback form 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

On behalf of the QA Board, 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 Quality Assurance Board

DHR QA Board Feedback for the Community Safety Partnership

TITLE OF DHR	Maxine
COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP	North Tyneside
DATE REVIEWED BY QA BOARD	5 th November 2025
DECISION	Publish with amendments.
GOOD PRACTICE COMMENDED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The report is written from a very empathetic and balanced position. • There was a thoughtful, impactful and informative pen portrait of Maxine provided by her sister and family friend, which provides an insight to Maxine's life, the adversities she faced and the abuse she experienced during the short relationship she had with her partner. • There are detailed chronologies presented in a useful style to understand the interactions of agencies. • There are clear and appropriate terms of reference.
FEEDBACK FOR FUTURE DHRs	

	DHR SECTION	DHR QA BOARD FEEDBACK (improvements required before publication)
	Title Page	No amendments required.
1	Contents Page	No amendments required.
2	Pen Portrait	No amendments required.
3	Condolences	No amendments required.
4	Confidentiality and Anonymity	Maxine's exact date of death is disclosed multiple times within the report as is her partner's exact date of death. Please amend the date to be the month and year only.
5	Terms of Reference	No amendments required.

6	Equality and Diversity	The equality and diversity section is somewhat brief and underdeveloped. The specific protected characteristics relating to Maxine are not identified and there is no analysis of domestic abuse from an intersectional perspective. Please consider including further analysis on both of these areas.
7	Background Information	No amendments required.
8	Combined Chronology	No amendments required.
9	Overview	No amendments required.
10	Analysis	No amendments required.
11	Conclusions	No amendments required.
12	Lessons learnt and recommendations	No amendments required.
13	Timescales	Please provide an explanation for the delay in notification to the Home Office, and for the over six years for the report being signed off by CSP and submitted to Home Office QA Board.
14	Involvement of family / friends / community	No amendments required.
16	DHR contributors	No amendments required.
17	DHR Panel	No amendments required.
18	DHR Author	No amendments required.
19	Parallel Reviews	No amendments required.
20	Dissemination	Please ensure a dissemination section is included within the report.
21	Action Plan	The action plan details key milestones and target dates, some of which have passed; however not all have been marked as complete. Please ensure that an up-to-date action plan is published alongside the DHR.

22	<p>Has there been a request to withhold publication?</p> <p><i>If Yes, include the reason for the request. Is it proportionate and appropriate?</i></p>	<p>No requests to withhold publication.</p>
23	<p>Any other comments</p>	<p>In the overview report, page 43, the following language should be amended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Victimless prosecution' should be changed to 'evidence-led prosecution'• 'Volatile relationship' should be changed to 'volatile/violent person'.