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Dear Mr Gladstone,

I am grateful to both you and Mr Ben Stevenson, your Head of Information Governance, DPO and central monitoring officer, for providing IPCO with the information requested by my Inspector, [REDACTED], in his letter dated 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

I am satisfied the information provided offers the required assurance that ongoing compliance with RIPA 2000 and the Investigatory Powers Act 2016 will be maintained. As such, your Council will not require further inspection this year. I acknowledge the changes ahead, where you will be concluding your shared arrangements with Cambridgeshire County Council and plans are advanced to develop Peterborough City Council's own arrangements, which will be examined at your next inspection.

Through the period of change, I would ask that you ensure that the key compliance issues continue to receive the necessary internal governance and oversight through yourself and your recently appointed Senior Responsible Officer. This would ideally include, regular policy review, updates to elected members, ongoing training and awareness and the retention, review and destruction of any product obtained through the use of covert powers in line with the relevant code of practice. Your council will be due its next inspection in 2027, but please do not hesitate to contact my Office if IPCO can be of assistance in the intervening period.

Yours sincerely,

**The Rt. Hon. Sir Brian Leveson**  
The Investigatory Powers Commissioner

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