



**Questions from the Board on Matters not on the Agenda**

**Question 1:**

**To be asked by Natalie Queiroz, Victims' Advocate**

This question refers to the BBC news piece on 19<sup>th</sup> March concerning reports of children, as young as 11 years of age, being criminally sexually exploited in mini-marts in the Dudley area over the last 10 years, with the BBC quoting intelligence involving incidences occurring as recently as 2024. There were claims that West Midlands Police and other authorities in the area had previously discounted these reports despite continuing concerns.

Please could West Midlands Police provide an update on the steps being taken to fully investigate these claims, ensuring WMP are in a position to identify all possible offenders and take action where needed. What are West Midlands Police doing to ensure identification of all potential victims, making sure they feel safe to report and are fully supported if and when they do come forward?

**Question 2:**

**To be asked by Wasim Ali, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner**

What changes have taken place in the West Midlands Police estate over the past 6 months and how has this impacted on operational policing?

**Question 3:**

**To be asked by Wasim Ali, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner**

What changes are being made to the Driver Training Unit, and what is the new hub model that is being proposed?