

OPCC Record of Decision

Suspension of Chief Constable Kerr from duty
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Decision Record prepared by	
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Date of Decision:	26 th July 2023

1. Background

- 1.1. Pursuant to section 38(2) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, Alison Hernandez, the Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall, suspended the Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Police, Will Kerr OBE KPM, following allegations of misconduct on 26th July 2023.

2. Decision Record

- 2.1. The decision has been taken by the Police and Crime Commissioner in her Capacity as Appropriate Authority and pursuant to section 38(2) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

3. Consultation, Engagement and Communication

- 3.1. The Police and Crime Panel were notified of this decision immediately in line with Schedule 8, Part 2 (section 11) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

4. OPCC Monitoring Officer advice

4.1 Legal, Management, Equality and GDPR Implications – Current and Future

- a. This decision has been taken in line with the relevant regulations set out in the Police reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, Police (Conduct) Regulations 2020 and Independent Office for Police Conduct guidance.

4.2 Financial and Commercial – Current and Future

- a. Not applicable.

5. Supporting documents:

None



6. Official approval

6.1 Following the appropriate approval, this decision sheet will be published, subject to FOIA classification, on the OPCC website.

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The Recommendation for Decision as outlined in this report is formally approved and subject to Freedom of Information Classification will be published on the OPCC website:

Police and Crime Commissioner

**Governance Signature by
Acting Monitoring Officer**

Signed
Print: Alison Hernandez
Date: 26th July 2023

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Print: Felicity Ridgway
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