



PCC Assessment of performance in relation to Complaint Reviews

The Elected Local Policing Bodies (Specified Information) (Amendment) Order 2021 was implemented in May 2021. Within this order the elected local policing body (Police and Crime Commissioner) is directed to provide an assessment of its performance in exercising its functions under paragraph 30(1)(b) of Schedule 3 to the Police Reform Act 2002 and which relates to complaint reviews.

Further details on the review function of the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner can be found by accessing the following link:

[Complaints reviews | Norfolk PCC \(norfolk-pcc.gov.uk\)](https://norfolk-pcc.gov.uk/complaints-reviews)

Number of Reviews the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has completed 49 reviews within the period of 01/02/20 to 30/07/21. There have been 73 requests for reviews within that time period. The average time taken to finalise a review is 30 days.

Delegation and Review Functions

Details of the process and procedure in place for reviews handled by the OPCC, including delegation of functions and decision-making can be found by accessing the following link:

[Complaints | Norfolk PCC \(norfolk-pcc.gov.uk\)](https://norfolk-pcc.gov.uk/complaints)

Quality Control

The review function is primarily undertaken by the Complaints Review Officer. Where a review has been upheld this is sent to the line manager to ensure that the recommendations are agreed, and this is also sent to the force to action and respond to.

Satisfaction

As stated, all reviews are considered in accordance with the legislation and statutory guidance. This may mean that some complainants do not receive the outcome they were expecting or desired. The OPCCN endeavours to demonstrate sympathy and understanding to all complainants and ensure any decisions made in respect of a review are explained and documented concisely.

Review Outcomes

For the period of 01/02/20 – 23/07/21 the OPCCN has upheld 7 reviews from the 49 finalised cases where the OPCCN were the Relevant Review Body (RRB). The OPCCN believe this demonstrates that the public can have confidence in the process by which complaints against the police are handled by the Norfolk Constabulary Professional Standards Department.

More Information

More information on the performance of Norfolk Constabulary in relation to complaints and reviews can be found within the Complaints and Professional Standards report, which is presented to the PCC's Accountability Meeting, and published within the OPCCN website.