



Dame Karen Bradley
Chair of the Home Affairs Select Committee

By email only

05 January 2026

Dear Dame Karen,

Following my appearance before the Home Affairs Select Committee on 1 December 2025, I am writing to share with the Committee copies of four letters I have exchanged with the Chief Constable of West Midlands Police. These letters relate to the intelligence gathered and decision-making processes undertaken by West Midlands Police ahead of the Aston Villa v Maccabi Tel Aviv match in November 2025.

I am also placing these letters in the libraries of both Houses.

The correspondence comprises:

- My letter to Chief Constable Craig Guildford of 24 November 2025
- Chief Constable Guildford's response of 28 November 2025
- My follow-up letter dated 10 December 2025
- Chief Constable Guildford's reply of 19 December 2025

I trust this material will assist the Committee in its considerations. Please do not hesitate to contact my office if any further information would be helpful.

Very best wishes,

Sarah Jones MP
Minister of State for Policing and Crime