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Dear Ms Cooper MP,

Thank you for your letter dated 27th February 2018.

In response to the two questions posed I can provide you with the following information:

1. In December 2016, a request was made by Lancashire Constabulary to Lancashire County Council. Their response is as follows:

Our records management service have made some initial enquiries and it seems much of the potentially relevant information held by Lancashire County Council has been destroyed. There are several files which related to a miners strike circa this period which unfortunately have been destroyed – details below (To which they provide a screenshot list of 5 records).

We are, however, conducting further searches relating to minutes and agendas from 'The Police Committee' which may be useful –

- *File 41/13/12 entitled 'Miners Families in Lancashire'*
- *The Police Committee minutes for 1973 onwards. We hold minutes dated 19 January 1984 – 6 June 1985.*
- *The Police Committee agendas, appendices and reports from Apr 1984 - Jul 1985.*

At this stage we are unsure as to who 'owns' these records i.e. whether LCC are holding these on Lancashire Constabulary's behalf, or if these are council records. This will dictate how we process the enquiry and I will confirm this either way as soon as I have further details from our Archives Service.

I hope this interim response is sufficient. I will get back to you regarding 'The Police Committee' documents as soon as possible.

We have received no further update from Lancashire County Council and whilst we have attempted to gain a response by the deadline today we have been unable to do so.

2. In December 2016 a request was made of all Constabulary staff. They were requested to check whether they have any material at all including investigation reports and day or pocket note books. If they had then they were to be retained and contact be made with the Head of our Professional Standards Department. No members of Constabulary staff have responded or come forward with any material.

Should you require anything further, please don't hesitate to come back to me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Jacques". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "T" and a long, horizontal stroke extending across the middle of the name.

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