

## Appealing against the decision to discontinue

### IOPC Use Only

The IOPC must receive your appeal within 28 days. This 28 day period starts on the day after the date of the letter you received from the police. This includes the time your appeal spends in the post. This form is available online and completing the online form will speed up this process. Alternatively, please fill in and return this form as instructed at the bottom of the form.

If there is anything which makes it difficult for you to use this service, for example if English is not your first language or you have a disability, please contact the IOPC using the contact details at the bottom of this form. Alternatively, please use the space below to tell us how we might help to make things easier for you.

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### About your appeal

Please give the name of the appropriate authority your complaint was about.

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If you received a letter from the appropriate authority about their decision to discontinue the investigation, please give the date of that letter.

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Please tick the appropriate box: Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐

Other (please specify) .....

First name: (please write clearly) .....

Last name: (please write clearly) .....

Date of birth: .....

Your address:

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.....Postcode: .....

Daytime phone no:

Evening phone no:

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Email address: .....

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Date you made your complaint

IOPC or appropriate authority ref. no.

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Why has the appropriate authority decided to discontinue the investigation into your complaint? Please select one or more of the reasons below (if known).

- ☐ Refusal to co-operate.
- ☐ The appropriate authority decided the complaint was not suitable for local resolution.
- ☐ The complaint is repetitious.
- ☐ The appropriate authority considered it not reasonably practicable to proceed.
- ☐ The appropriate authority considered the complaint to be vexatious, oppressive or an abuse of procedures.

Please explain why you want to appeal based on the reason(s) selected above, continuing on a separate sheet if necessary.

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If you have any evidence or information to support your appeal, for example photos or letters, please list below.

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Please note that the information you provide relating to an appeal will be passed to the appropriate authority involved.

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## Signature

**Signature of the person making this appeal:**

**Date:** DD / MM / YYYY

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The IOPC, like all public bodies, is obliged to record the diversity of those using its services, is committed to ensuring that everyone has equal access to them, and that they are delivered fairly. Please answer the following questions about yourself, so that we can make sure this is happening. The information will only be used for the reasons outlined, and will remain confidential. You do not have to answer the questions, and may prefer not to answer. This will not make any difference to the way you are treated.

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## Gender

Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transgender – male	<input type="checkbox"/>
Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transgender – female	<input type="checkbox"/>
other	<input type="checkbox"/>	prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## Religion and belief

No religion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Christian (including Church of England, Catholic, Protestant and all other Christian denominations)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buddhist	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hindu	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jewish	<input type="checkbox"/>
Muslim	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sikh	<input type="checkbox"/>
any other religion (please describe).....	<input type="checkbox"/>
prefer not to say	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Sexual orientation

- Heterosexual or straight ☐
- Gay or lesbian ☐
- Bisexual ☐
- any other orientation (please describe)..... ☐
- prefer not to say ☐
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## Ethnicity

- white: English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British ☐
- white: Irish ☐
- white: Gypsy or Irish Traveller ☐
- white: any other white background (please describe)..... ☐
- mixed: white and black Caribbean ☐
- mixed: white and black African ☐
- mixed: white and Asian ☐
- mixed: any other mixed/multiple ethnic background  
(please describe)..... ☐
- Asian: Indian ☐
- Asian: Pakistani ☐
- Asian: Bangladeshi ☐
- Asian: Chinese ☐
- Asian: any other Asian background (please describe)..... ☐
- black: African ☐
- black: Caribbean ☐
- black: any other black/African/Caribbean background  
(please describe)..... ☐
- other: Arab ..... ☐
- other: any other ethnic group (please describe)..... ☐
- prefer not to say ☐
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## Where to send this form

Please return the completed form by post or email to:  
Address: IOPC, PO BOX 473, Sale M33 0BW.  
Email address: [NorthCasework@policeconduct.gov.uk](mailto:NorthCasework@policeconduct.gov.uk)  
Telephone: 0300 020 0096

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