



**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE**  
POLICE, FIRE & CRIME  
COMMISSIONER

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Cllr. David Smith  
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16<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Cllr. Smith,

In accordance with the Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011 Schedule 1 Paragraph 12(2), I formally confirm I do not accept the recommendation of the Police, Fire and Crime Panel that I should not appoint Marianne Kimani as the Deputy Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner following the confirmation hearing held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July 2024.

This is a political appointment for which I take full responsibility and accountability rather than an executive post, and therefore does not need to be subject to open recruitment. I am grateful for your time and feedback, however I believe that Marianne has the skills and qualities that will make her an excellent political deputy, supporting me in engaging with communities and holding the Chief Fire Officer and Chief Constable to account.

I note that some panel members would have welcomed further paperwork, but I am content that all legal duties were complied with for this appointment. I will reflect on this hearing and the need to find the right balance, given calls for shorter papers, expressed at the same meeting.

I have every confidence in Marianne's ability to help me and my office reflect the views of the public and work with you to make Northamptonshire safer and I have asked her to join me as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Danielle Stone".

Yours sincerely  
Danielle Stone Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire