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2026/204 - Governance Framework for Cross Allegations

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

This request is made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and relates solely to governance level policy and recorded guidance. It does not seek operational tactics, investigative methodology, or case specific information.

Please provide:

Any written policy, procedural guidance, or standard operating framework that governs the handling of cross allegations, defined as circumstances where two parties each report criminal allegations against the other.

Any recorded guidance or policy addressing whether, and in what circumstances, one investigation may be paused, sequenced, or placed on hold when both parties are suspects in related matters.

Any written governance framework concerning the management of actual or perceived conflicts of interest where:

- a) the same officer; or**
 - b) the same investigative team**
- is assigned to deal with allegations made by each party.**

Any recorded requirement for supervisory oversight, documented rationale, or periodic review where an investigation is formally paused in such circumstances.

If no written policy, guidance, or recorded framework exists in relation to any of the above, please confirm that no recorded information is held.

For clarity, this request concerns policy level governance documents only. It does not seek details of live investigations, intelligence handling, or evidential strategy.

If any exemption is relied upon, please identify the specific exemption and provide the required explanation and public interest reasoning.

North Wales Police do not have a policy, guidance, or recorded framework on this, we would refer to APP:

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