

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION
CORE PARTICIPANT APPLICATION**

1. On 25 January 2016 the Inquiry invited anyone who wished to be designated as a core participant in the Lord Greville Janner investigation to make an application to the Solicitor to the Inquiry by 22 February 2016.
2. On 19 February 2016, an application was made by the Independent Police Complaints Commission ('IPCC') for core participant status in the Lord Greville Janner investigation, and for Katharine Grasby to be the IPCC's recognised legal representative. This notice sets out my determination of the application.
3. Applications for core participant status are considered under Rule 5 of The Inquiry Rules 2006 which provides:
 - (1) *The chairman may designate a person as a core participant at any time during the course of the inquiry, provided that person consents to being so designated.*
 - (2) *In deciding whether to designate a person as a core participant, the chairman must in particular consider whether –*
 - a. *The person played, or may have played, a direct and significant role in relation to the matters to which the inquiry relates;*
 - b. *The person has a significant interest in an important aspect of the matters to which the inquiry relates; or*
 - c. *The person may be subject to explicit or significant criticism during the inquiry proceedings or in the report, or in any interim report.*
 - (3) *A person ceases to be a core participant on –*
 - a. *the date specified by the chairman in writing; or*
 - b. *the end of the inquiry.*
4. In determining the application, the matters listed in Rule 5(2) must be considered, but the list is not exhaustive and other relevant matters can also be taken into account.

5. Having regard to the provisions of Rule 5(2), I am satisfied that the IPCC has played a direct and significant role in relation to matters under investigation and/or has a significant interest in an important aspect of the matters under investigation and/or any other reason. The application is put on the basis that the IPCC has a significant interest in the matters which the Inquiry will consider in that it is currently conducting an ongoing investigation into alleged failings by Leicestershire Police in the handling of allegations against Lord Janner in 1991, 2001 and 2006. It is submitted that the IPCC's interest is in the wider context of evidence against which Leicestershire Police's involvement sits, including the apparent action or inaction of other agencies to take adequate steps in relation to allegations against Lord Janner, and whether such actions or inactions may have impacted or been caused by failings of the Police. At the heart of this investigation is the consideration of allegations of child sexual abuse involving Lord Greville Janner, and to the extent that the Inquiry finds some or all of the allegations to be well founded, the Inquiry will also consider the adequacy and propriety of law enforcement investigations and prosecutorial decisions regarding allegations of failings of institutions regarding Lord Janner, including whether any public authority hindered/prevented the effective investigation and/or prosecution of allegations of child sexual abuse by Lord Janner. I am therefore satisfied that the IPCC has a significant interest in this investigation and should be designated a Core Participant in this Inquiry.

6. Applications for designation as the recognised legal representative of a core participant are governed by rules 6 and 7 of the Inquiry Rules 2006, which provide as follows:

6(1) Where -

- (a) a core participant, other than a core participant referred to in rule 7; or*
- (b) any other person required or permitted to give evidence or produce documents during the course of the inquiry,*
has appointed a qualified lawyer to act on that person's behalf, the chairman must designate that lawyer as that person's recognised legal representative in respect of the inquiry proceedings.

7(1) This rule applies where there are two or more core participants, each of whom seeks to be legally represented, and the chairman considers that -

- (a) their interests in the outcome of the inquiry are similar;*
- (b) the facts they are likely to rely on in the course of the inquiry are similar; and*
- (c) it is fair and proper for them to be jointly represented.*

(2) The chairman must direct that those core participants shall be represented by a single recognised legal representative, and the chairman may designate a qualified lawyer for that purpose.

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), any designation must be agreed by the core participants in question.

(4) If no agreement on a designation is forthcoming within a reasonable period, the chairman may designate an appropriate lawyer who, in his opinion, has sufficient knowledge and experience to act in this capacity.

7. Accordingly, as I am satisfied that the IPCC has appointed Katharine Grasby, Senior Lawyer at the LPCC as its qualified lawyer, I designate Ms Grasby as the IPCC's recognised legal representative in accordance with rule 6(1) as I am required by that rule to do.
8. Directions will be given for receipt of applications for an award under section 40(1)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 for expenses to be incurred in respect of legal representation at the forthcoming preliminary hearing. Such applications by core participants will be determined in accordance with the Inquiry's Cost Protocol on Legal Representation at Public Expense.

Hon. Dame Lowell Goddard DNZM
Chair, Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse

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