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Dear Ms Lee

Investigation into the death of Ms KSQ - COR 2023 002596

I write in response to the findings made by Coroner Giles on 28 July 2025 into the passing of Ms KSQ and the recommendation made to the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (the department).

But first, I would like to extend my deepest condolences to Ms KSQ's family and loved ones for their loss.

With respect to Coroner Giles' recommendation, please find below the department's response.

Recommendation 1: That the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing resource an expansion of co-responder programs, such as the Alexis Family Violence Response Model, across Victoria.

An alternative to the Coroner's recommendation will be implemented.

The department supports the recommendation to strengthen multi-agency responses between specialist family violence services and Victoria Police, to deliver programs such as co-response models. The department acknowledges that similar recommendations have been made in previous coronial findings.

The department will fund two family violence co-response programs, with commencement during 2025-26. The program will embed specialist family violence practitioners into Victoria Police Family Violence Investigation Units (FVIUs) to deliver an assertive approach to risk assessment and management, focusing on high-risk, repeat family violence contexts.

The department will continue to develop options for how this recommendation can be implemented across Victoria, noting that any further expansion of a co-response program is subject to future Victorian Government funding decisions.

If you require further information, please contact Melanie Heenan, Deputy Secretary, Family Safety Victoria [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. McCammon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peta McCammon
Secretary

27/10/2025