

Welcome to Victim Right to Review

Welcome to the Victim Right to Review (VRR) guidance page.

As of 1 April 2015, the Victim Right to Review (VRR) scheme was launched across police forces in England and Wales. The VRR scheme now allows victims to ask for a review at the point they are informed that of the decision not to prosecute a suspect.

Police forces are required to inform every victim of crime that the scheme is available to them. As well as information about VRR being included with written correspondence, guidance for victims is available on the GMP website here (<http://www.gmp.police.uk/vrrscheme>).

Officers and staff are reminded that for this to work, their cooperation is needed to help make victims aware of their rights. It is also important to consider the needs of vulnerable victims who may need more support in relation to the scheme and arrange an interpreter as necessary.

Please take time to familiarise yourself with the available guidance (on the right hand side) so that you fully understand the process of the VRR scheme and responsibilities and can offer victims advice as needed.

The Criminal Justice and Custody branch will be responsible for administering the scheme and forwarding

review requests to the relevant division/branch for allocation to a Reviewing Officer, at least one rank/grade above the decision maker.

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