CIVIL NUCLEAR CONSTABULARY DSG UPDATE, JULY 2020

I hope you are all well and keeping safe. Whilst Covid-19 has continued to provide challenges both professionally and personally for us all, the CNC have maintained full operational requirements at the Dounreay site throughout this period. We continue to review the way we conduct our business in accordance with government advice regarding social distancing and although it has not been required to date, we continue to be available to support Police Scotland within our jurisdiction. We continue to proactively patrol the local area and I wanted to share with you a fantastic drawing which we recently received from a local resident in Reay. Receiving things like this provides a huge boost to the unit and officers, and we are very much looking forward to integrating back into the community and local schools once the Covid restrictions are further lifted.

You may have seen across our social media platforms that we have welcomed a new Operational Unit Commander, T/Supt Keith McCarthy, following the retirement of T/Supt Andy Peden.

T/Supt Andy Peden had served with the CNC since 1980 and had conducted a number of roles across the constabulary. Due to the current restrictions, a traditional celebration wasn't possible, but the team here still managed to say a socially distanced farewell to him and his wife. We wish him a long, happy, healthy and safe retirement.

T/Supt Keith McCarthy has predominantly worked in the West Cumbria area, working within Sellafield OPU, the former Tactical Response Group and within the Firearms Department. On taking over as OUC, T/Supt McCarthy said: "I am extremely proud to have this opportunity to Command a Cat 1 site and especially with it being Dounreay OPU. I have visited Dounreay on numerous occasions throughout my career and have always been impressed with what I have seen and I really can't wait to show how good the OPU and its people are."

T/Chief Inspector Sam Arden Civil Nuclear Constabulary

