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20/06/2024	13:01	NWCU	Moorland Association, NWCU	<p>Hello S.40(2), thank you for the emails.</p> <p>Just to add some context to this as yourself and S.40(2) are new to the PDG, and this not being raised by your predecessor. In 2019, an action was completed by the RPPDG whereby the group agreed on definitions to describe incidents and the communications relating to the nature of the work of the PDG, whereby to wording of “suspected persecution incidents & confirmed persecution incidents” were agreed by all members to describe areas of business. Furthermore, the word persecution is used wider than bird of prey crime when referring to wildlife crime. There are references across the spectrum, from civil society, enforcement and government. Also across a number of priorities, with a few examples below.</p> <p>Wildlife Crime Report October 2023.pdf (wcl.org.uk) A new national lead for the Badger Persecution Priority Delivery Group National Wildlife Crime Unit NWCU Bat Persecution - Wildlife Crime in Scotland 2022 - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)</p> <p>I acknowledge that you see Police language has been captured by activists and that our language is fuelling tension and I hope the information above gives you wider context on this and can begin to change your opinion. I also acknowledge this choice of words from the group may not suit you and your organisation, and I will facilitate the</p>	

				<p>platform for you to raise this at the next meeting and the onward suitability can be discussed as an agenda item.</p> <p>I note your point about disagreement between two groups of people. You're right, and being direct and open, my almost 22 years' experience of policing this area tells me that its difficult to reach agreements between the groups that form this PDG as every member has a different aim, intention, priority or agenda. That is why I am clear that members of the PDG are here to help us deliver our strategic objectives via the 4P plans. Our 4P plan is what I am/we are compelled by and not guidelines are open for interpretation individually. Section 2 of the guidance articulates our discussion, that wildlife conflicts are almost always underpinned by social conflicts between people over the management of wildlife. This is why police stick to the delivery of our strategy and focus on reducing criminality, and not the management of the species.</p> <p>I look forward to speaking at the next PDG.</p> <p>Best wishes,</p> <p>S.40(2)</p>	
25/06/2024	11:28	NWCU	Moorland Association, Others	<p>Good morning,</p> <p>I would like us all to come together again so that I can update you on the progress of the Harrier Task Force and to start discussing how we utilise the IUCN guidelines to implement long term solutions.</p> <p>If you are happy to meet up, we could do with a venue. So, if anyone can offer this, it would be very helpful.</p>	

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				<p>regarding the items on the agenda. Because we don't have time and the aim is to bring out a picture of what we want and how we can get it. As we are now going to use the guidelines as a model to long term solutions, I want all of us to have the ground cleared so we all know where we stand, and we can start building from there. We can break it down and go into more depth in future meetings once we are all on the same page.</p> <p>We will minute this meeting and identify actions.</p> <p>Please consider the below vision question ahead on the meeting as it will help focus on the issues and potential outcomes. This has been taken from another HWC project, where it helped.</p> <p>Imagine it is 2035 and you are at an event talking about how much better things are regarding Hen Harriers because of the work we started in 2023. The two things that please you most are?</p> <p>I have created the below Doodle poll to try and get everyone's availability. Please complete it asap S.31(1) [REDACTED]</p> <p>Looking forward to meeting you all again. S.40(2) [REDACTED]</p>	
08/07/2024	12:50	Moorland Association	NWCU	<p>Dear S.40(2) [REDACTED]</p> <p>Thank you for finding the time to share your thoughts.</p> <p>I feel your email further illustrates my point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patronising – suggesting I am new to this and should be quiet is entirely unprofessional conduct for a serving police officer. 	

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Misleading – suggesting none of this has been raised before is blatantly false (as demonstrated by correspondence from previous years). • Failing – suggesting that continuing the polices’ discriminatory treatment of the sporting community will reduce crime is demonstrably false. <p>The National Wildlife Crime Unit appears to be basing its procedures on a <i>Life on Mars</i> script. I am sorry to be so blunt, but at least you can’t now pretend to be unaware of how thousands of law-abiding citizens see it.</p> <p>Best wishes</p> <p>S.40(2)</p>	
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