

RE: Miles Dignam MI/526/19 ~[OFFICIAL]~

From: Professional Standards (professional.standards@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)

To: [REDACTED]

Date: Wednesday, 14 August 2019, 14:25 BST

Dear Mr Thornton,

I have considered your complaint against Mr Dignam.

Having reviewed your previous involvement with the complaints system and having consulted with the IOPC statutory guidance, I am not recording your complaint on the basis I consider it to be 'Vexatious, oppressive and otherwise an abuse of the procedures for dealing with complaints'.

Your original complaint (CO/474/14) regarding a motoring offence issue was recorded and dealt with in 2014. In his role of complaint manager, Mr Dignam has simply finalised the complaint process and provided you with your right of appeal. Having reviewed our database, I am satisfied the correct process was followed and you were given right of appeal. You did appeal, but the appeal was not upheld.

Since that time you have submitted a number of vexatious complaints, which have been subject of non-recording decisions.

Notably in March 2018 you complained about Mr Dignam. This matter was recorded under MI/123/18. You were given a right of appeal to the IOPC and having appealed the decision not to record your complaint, the IOPC did not uphold your appeal.

Raising further complaints of a similar nature that have already been dealt with is an abuse of the complaints process.

Your latest email has been forwarded to our legal department and I have asked them to take a view on whether or not your actions and terminology of Mr Dignam being 'corrupt' constitutes harassment warranting further action.

Clearly we refute any suggestion that Mr Dignam has been corrupt in his dealings with you and you have not provided any evidential basis to show this is the case.

You have a right of appeal against my decision not to record your complaint to the IOPC which must be received by them within 28 days. I have attached the relevant form.

Yours sincerely

DS Freeman-Dean

Complaint Manager.