

Our Ref: 63-20190

Ms R V C Fogliani State Coroner Level 10, Central Law Courts 501 Hay Street PERTH WA 6000

Dear Ms Fogliani

Thank you for your letter dated 19 August 2020 regarding the Finding of Coroner Michael Jenkin (the Coroner) following the inquest into the death of Hayden Paul Stacey.

A copy of your correspondence and the Coroner's report was forwarded to the Western Australia Police Force for advice regarding of his recommendation that:

The Police should take all necessary steps to introduce a new Taser system which has a greater capacity to cause neuromuscular incapacitation, and is more likely to do so.

The WA Police Force advise the Taser T7, referred to by the Coroner, is manufactured by Axon, who supply the WA Police Force with the current Taser X26P. A working group was formed earlier this year to consider the replacement and possible upgrade to the current Taser contract. Significant benefits have been identified, including integration and interdependency with the Body Worn Camera system currently used by the WA Police Force.

Thank you for forwarding the report and I trust this information clarifies the position of the WA Police Force.

Yours sincerely

HON MICHELLE ROBERTS MLA
MINISTER FOR POLICE; ROAD SAFETY

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