

Vocational Qualifications (QCF, NVQ, NQF)

Policing

Level 3 Certificate Policing (Police Community Support Officer) – **03358**

Level 3 Diploma Policing – **03463**

Level 4 Certificate Police First Line Management – **04689**

Level 5 Certificate Police Management – **04690**

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1. Overview:

The Level 3 qualifications have been used by many police forces as part of the Police Officer/Police Community Support Officer student learning and accreditation process and prior to appointment as regular police officers and community support officers.

The L4 and L5 qualifications have been used in small numbers by centres as part of the NPPF.

2. General Comment

All centres have continued to maintain the quality of assessment and verification that has been evident during quality assurance visits. All assessment personnel have the relevant occupational experience and have fulfilled the sector and qualification requirements for assessment and verification effectively.

3. Comments on Individual Units

No issues have been identified with any of the units in the qualifications and centres have continued to ensure that all assessment requirements have been fully met enabling candidates to be awarded the relevant qualification.

4. Sector Update

The sector has seen considerable increases in recruitment following a period of low recruitment and centres have reviewed their assessment processes to enable them to accommodate the increases in numbers whilst still maintaining the quality of assessment and verification that has been evident during quality assurance visits. The qualification has been revised in the past 18 months to ensure that it is current and takes account of recent changes to specific legislation such as cyber crime.

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