



# Police Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 16

### PART IV

#### COMPLAINTS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS ETC.

### CHAPTER I

#### COMPLAINTS

##### *Handling of Complaints etc.*

#### **76 Powers of Authority as to disciplinary proceedings**

- (1) Where a memorandum under section 75 states that a chief officer of police has not brought disciplinary proceedings or does not propose to bring such proceedings, the Authority may recommend him to bring such proceedings.
- (2) Where a chief officer has brought disciplinary proceedings in accordance with a recommendation under subsection (1), he shall proceed with them.
- (3) If after the Authority have made a recommendation under this section and consulted the chief officer he is still unwilling to bring disciplinary proceedings, they may direct him to do so.
- (4) Where the Authority give a chief officer a direction under this section, they shall supply him with a written statement of their reasons for doing so.
- (5) Subject to subsection (6), it shall be the duty of a chief officer to comply with such a direction.
- (6) The Authority may withdraw a direction given under this section.
- (7) A chief officer shall—

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**Status:** *This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).*

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- (a) advise the Authority of what action he has taken in response to a recommendation or direction under this section, and
- (b) supply the Authority with such other information as they may reasonably require for the purposes of discharging their functions under this section.