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PRESS NOTE

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Cumbria Constabulary will be holding a press conference at Duke Street in Whitehaven at 4pm today.

Chief Constable Craig Mackey will provide the latest update on the police response to the incident and Detective Superintendent Paul Carter will be speaking about the ongoing investigation being headed up by Cumbria CID.

There will be time for a few questions after both statements have been delivered however there will be no one-to-one interviews afterwards.

Impact on the families

We have had a number of complaints from grieving families that they are feeling harrassed by the press who are positioning themselves outside their homes. I would urge ALL reporters and camera operators to respect the families wishes for privacy at this very difficult time. Please be aware that the matter has also been raised with the Press Complaints Commission.

We have teams of Family Liaison Officers supporting the families at this time and working with them to consider creating tributes and issuing photographs once formal identification is complete. As and when this information is passed through Police Press Office we will proactively let you know asap. We understand your frustrations but please be patient.