

A Plain Guide to Operation Talla, the CJSSC and the CQC/NPCC MOU

1. What is Operation Talla?

Operation Talla was the UK-wide policing response to Covid-19. It coordinated how police forces acted across the country. Evidence shows that, in relation to certain allegations (including Covid-related concerns), police were instructed or guided not to record reports from the public.

2. What is the CJSSC?

The Criminal Justice System Strategic Command (CJSSC) is a coordination group which brings together police, prosecutors, courts, the prison system and government departments. Its purpose is to manage how the justice system operates during major events such as Covid. In simple terms, it connects, within a command structure, organisations which are usually expected to act independently within the justice system.

3. What is the CQC/NPCC MOU?

This is a formal agreement between the police (NPCC) and the healthcare regulator (CQC). It sets out what should happen when there is suspected criminal activity in healthcare. It requires allegations to be taken seriously, information to be shared and cases to be considered for criminal investigation. In simple terms, if there is suspected crime, it should be recorded and investigated by the police.

4. The Problem

The MOU requires suspected crimes to be recorded and investigated. Operation Talla evidence shows however, that some allegations were not recorded at all.

5. Why This Matters

If an allegation is not recorded, it is not investigated, evidence is not gathered and the law is never applied. In simple terms: no record means no justice can take place.

6. The Key Issue

You cannot have both a system which requires crimes to be recorded and investigated and also a system which tells police not to record certain allegations. One of those systems is being ignored.

Bottom Line

This is not about opinion - Official documents prove the reality of it. It is about process. If allegations are not recorded, the justice system is bypassed.