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Please forgive a letter from a complete stranger, but I have worked closely during the last eight years with two Chief Constables of Norfolk, and and I know that the breed, contrary to popular myths, is, like Bishops, approachable!

I can imagine what a difficult and sensitive task you have regarding the allegations made against the Bishop of Gloucester. I do not in the least wish to add to those difficulties, but simply to say something very briefly about this man, whom I know well.

His ministry, particularly to the young, has been quite exceptional. His gifts with the young are known and deeply admired throughout the land, and that reputation is now international. Experienced headmasters, fellow bishops and clergy often consult Bishop Peter about caring for the young, and he himself on numerous occasions has cared personally for those with problems when asked to do so. He has managed to communicate with the young so effectively that numbers of young people whose through his influence, been given new

- but that is the experience of all who serve in the caring professions.

Suffice to say that Bishop Peter is known as a pastor of outstanding ability and sensitivity, whose ministry has been a great blessing to hundreds of young people, and who is held in great affection and admiration by all who know him well.

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