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KELLY: POLICING BOARD TO MEET OMAGH FAMILIES

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SDLP Policing Board member Dolores Kelly MLA said the Board will meet the Omagh families to discuss its proposal for an independent external review of the investigations into the 1998 mass murder.

She said: “I was contacted by Mr Michael Gallagher on behalf of the families this morning and asked to put forward the idea of a meeting. I took it up at the Board’s Policy and Corporate Services Committee today, and after a lot of persuasion I got the backing I wanted. The Committee will now invite the whole Board to a meeting with the relatives in Omagh at an early date.

“Given the dramatic closure of the Omagh bomb trial last month, this is an important opportunity for the Board to listen to the families and to put forward its thinking on an external review and the possibility of further prosecutions. It is important to have the views of the Omagh families at the centre of the process, and I am pleased that the Committee backed my request.”

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