Vera Baird QC
Toxic Feminist of the Month

[J4MB](#) presents [Vera Baird QC](#), the elected Police and Crime Commissioner for Northumbria, its **Toxic Feminist of the Month** award for January 2016.

Despite her position, Baird has displayed virtually no concern for male victims of domestic violence – about 40% of victims, according to British Crime Surveys, year after year – but has relentlessly talked and written about female victims and male perpetrators. We publicly challenged her over these issues in January 2014 – [here](#) – and didn't receive a substantive response.

In January 2015 we again contacted Baird, calling for her resignation on five separate counts. The 17-page-long document is [here](#). One related to a poster campaign with misleading statistics about rape and domestic violence, which cost taxpayers almost £16,000 – [here](#).

Starting on Christmas Day 2015, Northumbria Police started publishing posters online, portraying only men as perpetrators of domestic abuse, and only women as victims. The *Chronicle*, a local paper, featured two articles on the matter – [here](#) and [here](#). They included a poll asking the question, 'Do you think Northumbria Police's domestic abuse posters are sexist?' At one point over 80% of responses were 'Yes', but that declined after a campaign of voting by feminists, and a third [article](#) in the *Chronicle* reported that 60% of responses were 'No' at one point.

[HEqual](#) posted a remarkable [piece](#) on the feminist campaign, and named some of the organizations and prominent feminists driving it. One was Polly Neate, Chief Executive of Women's Aid, another (a lesbian feminist) works for Vera Baird. Elaine Snaith is the 'Chief Executive of the Police and Crime Commissioner', in which role she draws a salary of £75,000 p.a. One of her tweets read:

> Please vote no in the chronicle poll. Vast majority of victims of domestic abuse are women. You know it makes sense. (link to *Chronicle* poll)

Elaine Snaith is the person officially designated to handle complaints about Vera Baird.