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Gross misconduct proven against former officer

A former Met officer has had gross misconduct allegations against him proven following a misconduct hearing which concluded on Tuesday, 12 October.

Former PC David Henigan, who was attached to the Roads and Transport Policing Command (RTPC), faced allegations that he breached the Standards of Professional Behaviour in relation to Discreditable conduct.

On 6 September 2019, former PC Henigan sexually touched two females aged under 18 while off-duty at a nightclub in Kingston.

After considering the evidence available, the panel found the allegations proven at the level of gross misconduct. Had former PC Henigan remained a serving police officer, he would have been dismissed without notice.

Former PC Henigan will be added to the barred list held by the College of Policing. Those appearing on the list cannot be employed by police, local policing bodies (PCCs), the IOPC or HMIC.

Chief Superintendent Simon Ovens, in charge of RTPC, said: “The actions of former PC Henigan are completely unacceptable and at odds with the high standards that we strive for.

“All women have the right to feel safe from sexual harassment and there is no place in our organisation for anyone who does not share the same values. We welcome the outcome today that had he still been serving, PC Henigan would have been dismissed without notice.”