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Stricter entry criteria needed for SAPOL

FamilyVoice Australia spokesman David d’Lima is urging South Australia Police to urgently review its recruitment procedures following reports that a serving officer identifies as a cat when off duty.

“Non-human identification can only erode public confidence in any constable and it raises very serious questions about SAPOL recruitment,” David d’Lima said.

“Police officers are among the most trusted people in the community and this cannot be jeopardised.

“Community policing depends on the appointment of well-respected members of society,” he said.

FamilyVoice points out that applicants for SAPOL have always faced rigorous assessment before joining and graduating from the academy.

“Given the modern trend towards increasingly bizarre variants on the binary nature of humanity, stricter entry criteria clearly must apply,” David d’Lima said.

“The report prompts questions as to whether SAPOL is lowering its expectations as a result of recruitment difficulties.”

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