As an outcome of the 2019 INZ System Response, there has been a change in the requirements for China police certificates. Previously, applicants would be required to provide both a local and notarised China police certificate, but are now required to provide only the notarised certificate.

In processing applications, INZ may still request a copy of the local police certificate where necessary. This can be done in line with instructions E7.1 and E7.5 (temporary), or R5.5 and R5.10 (residence).

As this is an INZ process change rather than a change to instructions, it applies to all applications immediately irrespective of lodgement date. The relevant pages on the INZ website and Verification Toolkit will be updated in due course.