

Scottish Crime Recording Board Meeting
Conference Room A, St Andrews House, Edinburgh, 28th February 2018

Attendees:

Euan Dick (Chair)	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
David Smith	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Mark Bell	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Jamie Macfarlane	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Debbie Kyle	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
David McLaren	Police Scotland: Detective Chief Superintendent
Mark Lundie	Police Scotland: National Crime Registrar
Angela Wood	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
James Connolly	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Lorraine Ramsay	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Colin Bain	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Jackie McKelvie	Scottish Police Authority
Julie Mann	British Transport Police
Les Rainbow	British Transport Police
Fiona Roberts	COPFS

Apologies:

Mark Hollinsworth	Police Scotland: Analysis & Performance Unit
Laura Paton	HMICS

Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Apologies
3. Actions from previous meeting
4. Feedback from National Crime Registrar on PS audits and actions
5. HMICS Update
6. BTP Update
7. Guidance on Prison based crime
8. Feedback on splitting Common Assault into injury/no injury
9. Changes proposed to the SCRS
10. Group 2 'Other sexual crimes' research: SCRS classification
11. Update on HMICS Recommendation 5 – Cyber Enabled Sexual Crime
12. Update on research into weapons crime
13. Update on research into violent crime
14. Consultation on Presentation of National Statistics
15. Any Other Business
16. Date of next meeting: August 2018.

Actions Arising from the Meeting:

Action (Meeting/Number)	Description
9/08	<p><u>Consultation on Presentation of National Statistics:</u> Police Scotland to consider if a future move to a single crime recording system could impact on the running of the consultation and implementation of any outcome – and to write to the Crime Board with their conclusion.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action ongoing. Police Scotland are reviewing options for the upgrading of their recording systems, and reported that the consultation would not impact on their current activity in this area. With the consultation likely to conclude before a final decision is made, the review of systems will include the impact of any changes that could result from the consultation. This topic will remain as a standing item for the Crime Board’s agenda.</p>
10/01	<p><u>Feedback from National Crime Registrar on PS Audits & Actions:</u> Police Scotland to provide board members with an update on changes to their governance arrangements for crime audits, following their Executive Committee meeting on 15th March.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete. Police Scotland believe more time was needed between audits to identify any changes. They have therefore moved from bi-annual to annual audits and begun implementing associated improvement plans for each division.</p>
10/02	<p><u>Merger of Police Scotland and British Transport Police:</u> BTP to feedback to Justice ASD whether the crime and offence statistics supplied each quarter for Scotland include any non-notifiable offences under SCRS guidance.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete. BTP confirmed that the statistics supplied each quarter include non-notifiable offences under SCRS guidance.</p>
10/03	<p><u>Recorded Crime Measurement and Definitional Topics:</u> Police Scotland to circulate final version of new guidance on recording prison-based crimes (following their discussions with Prisons Service and COPFS). Board members to provide any remaining feedback prior to inclusion of guidance in the 2018-19 SCRS.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Police Scotland awaiting further feedback from COPFS before finalising guidance. Plan to include within the 2019-20 update to the SCRS, seeking Board approval at this time.</p>

10/04	<p><u>Recorded Crime Measurement and Definitional Topics:</u> Police Scotland to published 2018-19 SCRS manual, having secured approval from Crime Board on 28th of February.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete.</p>
10/05	<p><u>Recorded Crime Analysis:</u> Police Scotland to provide board members with an update on the use of the cyber-marker in their crime recording systems, following their meeting on cyber-crime in March.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete. Update provided at October Board meeting, highlighting that new guidance had been issued to officers on how to use the cyber-marker within crime recording systems.</p>
10/06	<p><u>Consultation for Presentation on National Statistics</u> Consultation sub-group to conclude drafting of the associated documentation, and to propose a timetable and engagement plan for running the consultation to the next Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete. The sub-group presented updated consultation and engagement plan to October Board meeting.</p>
10/07	<p><u>Recorded Crime Analysis</u> Justice ASD to share the content of upcoming meeting on non-sexual violence with UK Crime Recording Partners, for information.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete.</p>
10/08	<p><u>Any Other Business:</u> Technical Board to consider SCRS guidance on recording anonymous reports of criminal activity, in support of wider work to prepare for the merger of Police Scotland and BTP in Scotland.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u> Action complete. Technical Board considered the SCRS guidance on anonymous reports and feedback for discussion at the October Board meeting.</p>