

Scottish Crime Recording Board Meeting
Jury's Inn Hotel, Edinburgh, 26th February 2020

Attendees:

David Smith (Chair)	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Jamie Macfarlane	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Mark Bell	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Vicky Gorton	Scottish Government: Justice ASD
Jacqueline Campbell	Police Scotland: Governance, Audit & Assurance
Lorraine Ramsay	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Colin Bain	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Lynne White	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Derek Johnstone	Police Scotland: Crime Registrar
Mark Hollinsworth	Police Scotland: Analysis & Performance Unit
Steven McKinnon	Police Scotland: Demand & Productivity Unit
Alan Mulholland	Police Scotland: Safer Communities
Les Rainbow	British Transport Police
Alisdair Burnie	British Transport Police
Christina Yule	HMICS
Fiona Roberts	COPFS
Martin Smith	Scottish Police Authority

Apologies:

Bob Kennedy	Police Scotland: National Crime Registrar
Julie Mann	British Transport Police

Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Apologies
3. Actions from previous meeting
4. Update on Police Scotland's annual audit and process for publication
5. HMICS update / Plans for Crime Audit 2020
6. Report of findings from consultation and discussion on next steps
7. Update from Police Scotland on roll out of new crime recording system
8. Switching crime statistics from ScOMIS to SEBP
9. Compliance check by Office for Statistics Regulation
10. Recording practice for children in care in pilot
11. Crime committed across national borders / HMICS Recommendation 5
12. Categorisation of recorded crime outcomes
13. Transfer of crimes to forces in England & Wales
14. Amendments to the SCRS
15. Any other Business.
16. Date of next meeting: October 2020.

Actions Arising from the Meeting:

Action (Meeting/Number)	Description
14/01	<u>Update on Police Scotland's annual audit into recorded crime:</u> National Crime Registrar to circulate paper on latest audit results and to confirm process for publishing this information.
14/02	<u>HMICS Update / Plans for Crime Audit 2020:</u> HMICS to request feedback on audit plan from board members and to circulate final plan for the audit to the Board.
14/03	<u>Recorded Crime Consultation:</u> Consultation sub-group to consider potential changes to the presentation of the National Statistics, and the timings for deliverability. To present proposals to the next Board meeting in October.
14/04	<u>Progress towards new Crime Recording System:</u> Police Scotland to provide next Board meeting with an update on the roll out of a national Crime Recording System. JAS to invite Police Scotland Core Operational Solutions (COS) team to next Board meeting to provide an update.
14/05	<u>Switching crime statistics from ScOMIS to SEBP:</u> Justice Analytical Services and Police Scotland to continue engagement on the transition from ScOMIS to SEBP, in particular validation checks and timescale for implementation.
14/06	<u>Office for Statistics Regulation compliance check</u> SCRB members to support JAS in the refresh of the Recorded Crime National Statistics bulletin and associated user guide.
14/07	<u>Recording Practice for Children in Care Pilot</u> Police Scotland to provide the next Board meeting with a further update on the Children in Care pilot.
14/08	<u>Crime committed across national borders/HMICS rec 5</u> Crime Registrars to amend the SCRS to include the recording of a crime or offence for all cases where the perpetrator is confirmed to be outwith the UK, with the exception of those cases transferred to another UK Police Force (from 1 st April 2020).
14/09	<u>Categorisation of recorded crime outcomes</u> Police Scotland to liaise with COS team on timescales and feasibility of implementing any changes to the categorisation of recorded crime outcomes. To provide an associated update to the Board.

14/10	<u>Amendments to the SCRS:</u> Police Scotland to publish the 2020-21 SCRS manual, following any final comments from Board members.
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Outcomes:

An update on progress with the above actions was considered at the subsequent Board meeting in March 2021.

Six of the actions have been completed (14/02, 14/04, 14/05, 14/07, 14/08 and 14/10).

Following the meeting in February 2020, analytical resources were re-assigned to support the provision of more frequent statistics for users on how Covid-19 and measures taken to restrict its spread had impacted on crime or other justice related metrics. As such, further progress on the remaining four actions (14/01, 14/03, 14/06 and 14/09) will be taken forward through the Board's 2021-22 work plan.