

FORENSIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Rolling Action Log

Action No	Action	Action Owner	Status	Expected Date of Completion	Actual Date of Closure	Update/Comments	
MEETING HELD 25 OCT 2021							
20212510- FS-001	Forensic Services Director's Report: Provide a coherent and critical path update within the next Forensics 2026 update in relation to ongoing projects and their milestones.	Fiona Douglas	OPEN	2 nd February 2022		24.01.2022: Critical path update provided in relevant reports. Propose to close.	
20212510- FS-002	Forensic Services Performance Report – Q2: Engage with Paul Edie as external input in order to refine performance reporting for Forensic Services.	Fiona Douglas	OPEN	2 nd February 2022		24.01.2022: Meeting held 29.11.2021 with Paul Edie to discuss revised performance reporting, draft to be considered for end of year reporting. Propose to close.	
20212510- FS-003	Forensic Services 2026 Update: Provide a traffic light system into the report which informs members on what areas were being delivered and where there were issues.	Vicki Morton	OPEN	2 nd February 2022		24.01.2022: Updated RAG status provided on all projects within the FS2026 programme and report updated. Propose to close.	

MEETING HELD 19 APRIL 2021

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20210419- FS-004	pigital Forensics: More detailed project timeline and SPA Governance to be clarified and presented to committee when available.	T/Ch Supt Stevie Dolan	ONGOING	25 October 2021	awarded for a Professional Services contractor (PWC) to support the programme in conducting a strategic review of Digital Forensic capabilities, focussing on demand analysis, workforce capacity and process improvement. This 8-week piece of work will allow the programme to provide an evaluation of existing Digital Forensic capabilities and to make proposals for potential change to ensure that Police Scotland are in a position to meet future demand. These proposals will be presented through programme governance to the Force Executive in March 2022, with the potential of establishing a project to implement related changes thereafter. In recognition of the current demands on the Digital Forensic business area the Force Executive have now approved the recruitment of 28 full-time/permanent and 11 full-time/fixed term contract analysis and recruitment is ongoing in this regard. This significant investment (which is supported by additional ICT hardware, etc) will allow quality of service to be maintained whilst a Target Operating Model suited to the ever evolving demands in this arena is developed. Propose Ongoing
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20201103- FS-002	Workforce Planning: Options to be explored for timelines to be compressed in relation to the workforce planning activity and progress update to be provided to committee in February.	Fiona Douglas	ONGOING	03 February 2021 19 April 2021 26 July 2021 25 Oct 2021 2 Feb 2022	15/01: Update will be provided at agenda item 5 – Workforce Planning 03/02: The information provided did not provide Members with all of the information required and it was agreed that this action would remain ongoing to ensure the matter remains a priority focus for this Committee. **Update report added to work plan for 19/4 and draft SWP to be added to work plan for 26/7 24/03: Verbal update will be provided at committee on 19/04. 01/07: Verbal update will be provided at meeting on 26/07. 05.10.2021: Draft workforce plan to be provided to FS Committee on 25/10/21. Further work to be concluded before final version is presented – Feb 2022 24.01.2022: Further development of the workforce plan has been undertaken since last meeting. A draft is in development, however this has experienced some delays due to COVID, as such the final version will be presented at the April FS Committee meeting.		
Meeting Monday 3 rd Feb 2020							

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20200302- FS-004	Performance Report: Future reports to map out KPIs to highlight the gap on what forensics services currently do against where they want to reach in terms of timeliness to assist with identifying where benefits would be realised. In addition the report should include the interpretation of the demand from the partner's perspective.	Fiona Douglas	ONGOING	27 July 2020 28 October 2020 03 February 2021 19 April 2021 26 July 2021 25 Oct 2021 2 Feb 2022		 06.04.2020: Work ongoing to be reported in July 2020. 07.07.2020: Work ongoing to complete the detail of the MOU. This will form the KPIs and will be reported back in the Q2 Performance Report. 07.10.2020: Work remains ongoing in relation to the detail MOU. Anticipated date of completion and agreement circa April 2021. 15/01: Progress continues with regular discussions with Police Scotland and COPFS in relation to the MOU. Anticipated date of completion and agreement May 2021. Draft MOU to come to Committee on 19/4. 24/03: Linked to the work of the MOU. 01/07: Performance Report on Agenda, and remains linked to MOU discussions. 05.10.2021: Updated draft of MOU provided to Committee. Further work will be required on KPis and development of performance framework. 24.01.2022: KPI's proposed for inclusion in the MOU. Further discussion required with Partners at the FPIG meeting on 26th January 2022. Propose ongoing.
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20190725 - FS-003	Demonstrating Value: Further information to be brought to the	Fiona Douglas	ONGOING	27 July 2020	07.07.2020: Work continues with Northern Ireland. A bid has been
	Committee on the progress of			28 October	submitted to Scottish Government for
	researching what value means			2020	funding in respect of a research post. To
	throughout the criminal justice process			02 Fohmunm/	date this has not yet been successful,
	and what it means for each partner.			03 February	work continues.
				2021	07.10.2020: No further progress,
				19 April 2021	propose to be brought back to a future meeting of the Forensic Services
				13 April 2021	committee.
				26 July 2021	28.10.2020: Members agreed to leave
					this open and seek an interim solution in
				25 Oct 2021	the first instance.
				2 5-4 2022	15/01 : Update will be provided at agenda
				2 Feb 2022	item 4 – Demonstrating Value.
					03/02: Members agreed additional work
					was required and a further update should
					come back to a future committee meeting.
					It was agreed Jane Ryder would meet with Fiona Douglas to develop a solution that
					would address Members' expectations in
					respect of an agreed approach to
					demonstrating the value of Forensic
					Service in the Justice System.
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					05.10.21: Short life working group in the
					process of being identified. Draft terms of
					Reference under development.
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					24.01.2022: Discussion on a phased
					approach to demonstrating the value of
					Forensic Services undertaken on the 24 th
					January with members. Further review of
					the terms of reference is underway.
					Propose ongoing.
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