

Questions from the Board on Matters not on the Agenda

1. The HMICFRS 2022 national inspection report about digital forensics identified 9 recommendations. Can the Chief Constable provide an update on recommendation 2. “By December 2023 each force in England and Wales should develop a governance and oversight framework to better understand the local demand for forensic services?”

(to be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)

2. The Forensic Science Regulator Code of Practice came into force on 2 October 2023. Can the Chief Constable explain what steps the Force has taken to ensure compliance with the 34 forensic activities now subject of statutory regulation, including those deferred until October 2025 related to the Sexual Assault Referral Centres and Cell Site Analysis?

(to be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)

3. Can the Chief Constable describe the strategic plan to reduce the number of outstanding domestic abuse offenders across the force which is currently 1,900?

(to be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)

4. Over a 6 months period the Force recorded that fraud cybercrime activities were responsible 30 million pounds worth of losses.

- How is the force responding to these types of issues?
- Part of the response is the recruitment of volunteers. What sort of skills are required and how will these volunteers be deployed?

(to be asked by Dr Cath Hannon)