

<b>REPORT REFERENCE NO.</b>	RC/24/13
<b>MEETING</b>	RESOURCES COMMITTEE
<b>DATE OF MEETING</b>	9 MAY 2024
<b>SUBJECT OF REPORT</b>	HIS MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF CONSTABULARY & FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES (HMICFRS) AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN UPDATE
<b>LEAD OFFICER</b>	Chief Fire Officer
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	<i>That the Committee acknowledges completion of the two areas for improvement that it has been monitoring.</i>
<b>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</b>	<p>On Wednesday 27 July 2022 HMICFRS published the DSFRS 2022 inspection report. The inspection report identified one Cause of Concern and 14 Areas for Improvement (AFIs). Of these AFIs, two have been linked to the Resources Committee.</p> <p>The paper appended to this report outlines the progress that has been made against the HMICFRS Areas for Improvement action plan since the last update in February 2024. The key highlights are that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both areas for improvement linked to the Resources committee have now been marked as closed.</li> <li>• The closure of HMI-2.2-202206b (Estates Strategy) was approved by the Executive Board on 12/04/2024.</li> </ul>
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	Considered within the Action Plan where appropriate.
<b>EQUALITY RISKS AND BENEFITS ANALYSIS</b>	Considered within the Action Plan where appropriate.
<b>APPENDICES</b>	Nil.
<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS</b>	None

**1. INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1. On Wednesday 27 July 2022 HMICFRS published the DSFRS 2022 inspection report. The inspection report identified one Cause of Concern and 14 Areas for Improvement (AFIs).
- 1.2. This report provides an update on the Areas For Improvement action plan that has been produced following the inspection, which concluded in October 2021.

**2. AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN COMPLETION STATUS**

2.1 Table 1 lists the Areas For Improvement linked to the Resources Committee and their individual implementation status.

**Table 1:**

Reference	Description	Target Completion	Status
HMI-2.2-202206a	The service needs to make sure that its <u>fleet</u> strategy is regularly reviewed and evaluated to maximise potential efficiencies.	31/01/2024	Closed
HMI-2.2-202206b	The service needs to make sure that its <u>estates</u> strategy is regularly reviewed and evaluated to maximise potential efficiencies.	31/01/2024	Closed

- 2.2 The closure of HMI-2.2-202206b (Fleet Strategy) was approved by the Executive Board on 11/07/2023.
- 2.3 The closure of HMI-2.2-202206b (Estates Strategy) was approved by the Executive Board on 12/04/2024.

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