

<b>REPORT REFERENCE NO.</b>	<b>CSC/25/01</b>
<b>MEETING</b>	<b>COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>DATE OF MEETING</b>	<b>31 JANUARY 2024</b>
<b>SUBJECT OF REPORT</b>	<b>HIS MAJESTY'S INSPECTORATE OF CONSTABULARY &amp; FIRE &amp; RESCUE SERVICES (HMICFRS) AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT ACTION PLAN UPDATE</b>
<b>LEAD OFFICER</b>	<b>Chief Fire Officer</b>
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	<i>That the Committee reviews progress in delivery of the action plan.</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, three have been linked to the Community Safety 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 September 2024. The key highlights are that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HMI-1.2-202203 (Prevention Activity) has now been marked as completed (closure subject to review and approval by Professional Standards Board and the Executive Board in February 2025).</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>	None
<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 was 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 Community Safety Committee and their individual implementation status.

**Table 1:**

Reference	Description	Target Completion	Status
HMI-1.2-202203	The service should evaluate its prevention activity so it understands what works.	<del>29/02/2024</del> 31/10/2024	Completed
HMI-1.2-202204	Safeguarding training should be provided to all staff.	<del>30/04/2024</del> 30/06/2024	Closed
HMI-1.3-202205	The service should make sure it has an effective quality assurance process, so staff carry out audits and fire safety checks to an appropriate standard.	<del>30/09/2023</del> <del>30/11/2023</del> 31/08/2024	Closed

2.2 HMI-1.2-202203 (Prevention Activity) has now been marked as completed. The closure of this Area for Improvement is subject to review and approval by Professional Standards Board and the Executive Board in February 2025.