

Home Office Structural Reform Plan Monthly Implementation Update	February 2011
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1) Actions due to be completed in February 2011

Section	Action	Status
2.4(ii)	As part of a full review of the remuneration and conditions of service for police officers and staff the first part will make recommendations on short-term improvements to the service	Not Complete
5.4	Introduce a Freedom Bill to reverse state intrusion, including:	Complete
5.4(i)a	Further regulating CCTV	
5.4(i)b	Outlawing finger-printing of children at school without parental permission, working with the Department for Education	
5.4(i)c	Changing criminal record checks and the Vetting and Barring Scheme, including ensuring that historical convictions for consensual gay sex with over-16s will be treated as spent and will not show up on criminal record checks	
5.4(i)d	Adopting the protections of the Scottish model for the DNA database and publishing guidance on the application of rights to remove DNA from the database	
5.4(i)e	Tackling rogue private sector wheel clampers by prohibiting the wheel clamping or towing away of vehicles on private land	

(2) Actions due to be started by end February 2011

Section	Action	Status
2.4(iii)	Further to the initial report on remuneration and conditions of service, continue the review and make recommendations on matters of longer-term reform (end Feb 2011)	Work not started
2.5(ii)	Consult on proposals for anti-social behaviour powers and tools (end Apr 2011)	Work started
1.1(v)	Prepare for elections of Police and Crime Commissioners working with the Electoral Commission, including introduction of any secondary legislation required (end May 2012)	Work ongoing
1.2(iii)	Improve the recording of hate crime, enabling a consolidated dataset of hate-related offences to be published in an open and standardised format (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
1.2(iv)	Cooperate with the Ministry of Justice to provide Police and Crime Commissioners, with as much information as possible on crime levels, sentencing and rehabilitation of offenders (end May 2012)	Work ongoing
1.3(iii)	Develop a programme of work to mobilise communities to get involved in keeping their neighbourhoods safe, including enabling and encouraging people to get involved and mobilising neighbourhood activists (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
2.1(iii)	Develop guidance making clear that the duty of the police to the public takes precedence over any concerns about the health and safety of police officers in cases of significant threat to the public, working with the police and the Health and Safety Executive (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
2.1(iv)	Implement powers for the police to charge directly for more routine offences (end Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
2.2(ii)	Develop and implement a plan to reduce interference from the centre, working with the police and HMIC (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
2.3(ii)	Draft an organised crime strategy (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
2.3(iii)	Determine the functions and structure of the NCA, including proposals for a Border Police Command responsible for better connecting the police, UK Border Agency,	Work ongoing

	HM Revenue & Customs and others in protecting and policing the border (end Mar 2011)	
2.3(v)	Establish a shadow National Crime Agency to ensure a smooth transition (end Apr 2012)	Work ongoing
2.6(ii)	Develop proposals to change alcohol pricing to ensure that it tackles binge drinking, including options to ban below-cost sale of alcohol, working with other government departments. Pricing options must be enforceable, compatible with EU trade law and easily implemented by business (end Apr 2011)	Already complete
3.1(ii)	Support the implementation of rehabilitation reforms by promoting tools and approaches such as Integrated Offender Management to help the police, probation, local authorities and other partners to work together with the most damaging offenders, including drug users (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
3.2(iii)	Determine implementation plans for the drugs strategy (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
3.3(i)	Remove regulations in order to free up local community safety partnerships from unnecessary bureaucracy (end Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
3.3(ii)	Develop and publish plans to spread best practice and information on which techniques are most effective for use by communities, police, their partners and sentencers at preventing and cutting crime, working with the Ministry of Justice (end Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
3.3(iii)	Ensure that hospitals share non-confidential information with the police on knife and gun crime and other serious violence, supporting the Department of Health (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
3.4(ii)	Develop and publish supporting actions and policies to prevent violence against women and girls (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
4.2(i)	Review the student visa system and bring forward proposals to prevent abuse and reduce numbers (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
4.4(iii)	Set a new annual limit on non-EU economic migrants, following the outcome of the consultation exercise (end Apr 2011)	Already complete
4.5(ii)	Implement changes to UK Border Agency processes and systems, as recommended by the review of asylum processing (end Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
4.6(iv)	Make changes to existing border and removals operations, including through work with voluntary organisations, after the end of detention of children for immigration purposes (end Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
4.7(i)	Agree a contract with new suppliers and transition existing services from Raytheon Systems Limited (e-Borders) (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
4.7(ii)	Review the extent to which e-Borders provides a solution to the reintroduction of exit checks (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
5.2(ii)	Implement key recommendations of the review of counter-terrorism and security legislation to introduce safeguards against the misuse of counter-terrorism and security legislation (end Nov 2011)	Work ongoing
5.3(ii)	Implement key proposals, including introducing legislation if necessary (Storage and acquisition of internet and e-mail records) (end Jun 2015)	Work ongoing
5.5(i)	Appoint an independent panel to take evidence (Review the operation of the Extradition Act – and the US/UK extradition treaty) (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
6.1(ii)	Implement the key recommendations of the Strategic Defence and Security Review (end Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
6.2(ii)	Implement key recommendations of the review of counter-terrorism and security legislation including any required operational changes to extend the UK's ability to deport foreign nationals who threaten our national security (end Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
6.4	Revise the 'CONTEST' counter-terrorism strategy to set out a clear policy direction following on from the Strategic Defence and Security Review and the 2010 Spending Review (end Apr 2011)	Work ongoing

6.5	Make changes to pre-departure checks to better identify people who pose a terrorist threat and prevent them flying to or from the UK (end Mar 2015)	Work ongoing
6.6	Strengthen the UK's protection against and ability to respond to a terrorist attack, including enhancing the nation's resilience (end Oct 2012)	Work ongoing
6.7(iii)	Work with the Mayor of London and other partners to ensure that effective plans and capabilities are in place (Olympic and Paralympic Games) (end Jul 2012)	Work ongoing

Explanation of missed deadlines

In January 2011, the Home Office missed the following deadline:

Deadline missed	Reason
Further to the initial report on remuneration and conditions of service, continue the review and make recommendations on matters of longer-term reform	The first report is now expected in early March. The second report on matters of longer term reform should follow in June 2011.
As part of a full review of the remuneration and conditions of service for police officers and staff the first part will make recommendations on short-term improvements to the service	The date of publication is now expected in early March.

The status of missed deadlines from previous reports is:

Deadline missed	Status	Comments
Remove national Stop and Account recording and reduce certain Stop and Search procedures (Dec 2010)	Still not complete	Ministers remain committed to reducing the bureaucracy that gets in the way of frontline police officers doing their job most effectively. However, stop and search remains an issue of concern to many communities, particularly those of a black or minority ethnic background, and additional time was taken to confirm the content of the draft Code of Practice with civil liberties groups. This delayed the laying before Parliament of the PACE Code of Practice Order that is necessary to make the changes. The PACE Code of Practice was tabled on the 17th November 2010 and debated in both Houses of Parliament on 25 January and 2 February, following which Nick Herbert, Minister for Policing, signed the Order on 14 February to take effect on 7 March 2011.
Develop proposals for functions currently performed by the NPIA (Dec 2010)	Still not complete	Initial scoping work on the range of functions currently performed by NPIA and their operational importance to police forces has been completed. The Home Secretary will consider recommendations from Chief Constable Neyroud's review of leadership and development and Lord Wasserman's review of policing ICT, as well as assessing which operational functions will be consistent with the core crime-fighting purpose of the National Crime Agency. We expect to complete these actions by June 2011.

Consult on proposals for anti-social behaviour powers and tools (end Apr 2011)	Work started	The review of anti-social behaviour tools and powers is now complete. We set out our proposals in a public consultation on 7 February.
Develop and publish proposals for the storage and acquisition of internet and e-mail records (Dec 2010)	Still not complete	<p>It has been the Home Office's intention to publish proposals for the storage and acquisition of internet and email records by December 2010.</p> <p>Work on the proposals has been underway but was dependent on the Counter-Terrorism Powers Review of counter-terrorism and security legislation, which includes addressing public authorities' powers to acquire communications data and additional safeguards for local authorities acquisition of data. The publication of proposals on the storage and acquisition of internet and email records will therefore follow in due course.</p>
Develop and publish a revised 'Prevent' strategy aimed at stopping people from becoming terrorists or supporting violent extremism (Jan 2010)	Still not complete	<p>Public consultation and regional events were scheduled to take place between November and December 2010. To allow for wider consultation, Ministers requested additional consultation events in the knowledge that this would push the publication date back. With their agreement, the publication deadline was put back to February 2011. Due to the considerable response we received during the consultation process, an additional month is required to complete the analysis and finalise the drafting. Revised Prevent strategy will be published by the end of March</p>
Decide whether further legislation will be required to ensure a safe and secure Games (Dec 2010)	Still not complete	<p>Ministers are currently considering whether further legislation will be required to ensure a safe and secure Games. A decision on this is expected by March.</p>