

Minutes

Meeting: CPS Ministerial Strategic Board

Date: 16 November 2020 15:30-17:00

Board Members

Attorney General (AG) - Chair

Solicitor General (SG)

Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP)

Apologies

CPS Chief Executive Officer, Rebecca Lawrence (RL)

Secretary

Director AGO, Kelby Harnes

By invitation

HMCPSI Chief Inspector, Kevin McGinty (KM)

CPS Lead NEBM, Monica Burch (MB)

Presenters

Graham Ritchie, CPS

Christopher Sharp, CPS

Item 1 - Introductions

1. The Chair welcomed attendees to this virtual meeting of the MSB.
2. The Chair thanked the DPP and his colleagues at the CPS for their continued hard work and dedication shown throughout the pandemic. She recognised their efforts to continue to deliver justice in this challenging time.

Item 2 – 2019-20 CPS Business Plan Update and Performance Review

3. The Board welcomed the presentation of the 2019-20 CPS Business Plan update and performance pack, which was brought to the meeting for discussion.
4. CS presented the usual performance update to the Board, this included progress against the backlog of cases.

Item 3 – Comprehensive Spending Review 2020

5. The Chair thanked the CPS for their work to provide a robust bid and for the flexibility shown when the spending review was changed to a one-year round.
6. CS presented the outcome of the bid.

Item 4: Strategic Partnerships

7. GR presented the papers which outlined the CPS's early work to develop a strategic partnerships strategy.

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8. None raised.

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