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Work Strand				March-May 2025			
Date added to priorities table				TIER 1 - Committee and Government top priorities and active work strands			
No.		Policy Lead	FPRC Dates 2025	3 March 2025	7 April 2025	12 May 2025	9 June 2025
1	Jun-24	Dan Nesbitt	Unregulated Experts	Item to return to the Committee so that they can discuss the planned consultation			
2	Dec-22	Dan Nesbitt	Parental Responsibility and Child Arrangements following imprisonment for murder of the other parent (Jade's Law).	An update will be provided under the matters arising			
3	N/A	Dorothy Connellan	Private Law Reform - Pathfinder PD36Z (current expiry date 31 March 2026)	An update will be provided on the addition of a start date for PD36Z to operate in West Yorkshire.			Expected changes to the PD on the model and to add further court areas for expansion.
4	Jul-23	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	Modernisation of PD27A.	Paper outlining Working Group's recommendations on responses to final 3 consultation questions to be brought to March meeting.	Revised draft PD to be provided for discussion, including whether any further stakeholder consultation needed.		Subject to planning discussions, draft guidance for the public may be provided to the Committee.
Tier 2: Substantive Items							
5	Oct-24	Daniel Warren	Section 91(14) PD12Q – Online applications for permission to apply for s91(14) (barring orders) System Amendment	Committee approved PD amendments February 2025. To be included in PD Update No. 1 of 2025. HMCTS to provide details of operational arrangements to March meeting.			

6	Dec-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Financial Remedy: Transparency Orders</i>	Policy to take this forward in Summer 2025			
7	N/A	Emily Handley	<i>Fast Track Procedure – financial remedy applications.</i>	Pilot PD provision included in PD Update No.1 of 2025.	Pilot due to go live in courts involved in the pilot.		
8	Nov-20	Peter Farr	<i>Deed Poll Name Changes</i>		An update on the progress will be provided in the April 2025 meeting under the Matters Arising item. (An update note was shared with Committee in February 2025)		
9	Jul-22	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	<i>Permission to Appeal</i>	Draft rule and PD provision agreed at Dec 2024 meeting. To be included in next FPR amending SI and accompanying PD Update.			
10	Jul-22	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	<i>Police Disclosure Orders: the 2024 Protocol and template order for police disclosure</i>	The Committee considered FPR and PD amendments in May 2024 but have asked MoJ to work with DA WG and the Disclosure WG to develop one template order. Matter to return to the Committee for an update in FPRC March meeting (scheduled).			
11	Jul-23	Karina McLaughlin	<i>PD36ZF: Joint MoJ and DfE Pilot for Expert and Readiness Checklists.</i>	Substantive update to be provided to the Committee in March.			

12	Feb-24	Dan Nesbitt	<i>Disclosure of Respondent's Contact Details</i>			Draft rule amendments previously approved. Will be included in SI when HMCTS confirm IT readiness.	
13	Apr-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Financial remedies (FPR 28.3(4)(b)(ii) and (iii)): proposal to amend to exclude applications for permission under s13 1984 Act or para 4 Sch 7 20024 Act: AS vRS</i>	There is currently no work being carried out on this item.	Item was triaged in April 2024 and the Committee agreed to add it in tier 2. Priority level to be reviewed in April/ May 2025).		
14	Apr-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Interim maintenance application (FPR 9.7) : proposal to amend to prescribe what information the respondent must file</i>	There is currently no work being carried out on this item.	Item was triaged in April 2024 and the Committee agreed to add it in tier 2. Priority level to be reviewed in April/ May 2025).		
15	Dec-24	Dan Nesbitt	<i>Amendments to PD12J and PD12B on disclosure of findings of facts pertaining to domestic abuse</i>	The Committee agreed in December 2024 for this item to be added to the Priorities List following a triage. There is currently no work being carried out on this item.			
16	Feb-25	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Form E - proposal to amend form to include details of pre-marriage or pre-civil partnership Cohabitation</i>	The Committee agreed in February 2025 for this item to be added to the Priorities List following a triage. There is currently no work being carried out on this item. Team are going to take forward.			
17	May-24	Dorothy Connellan	<i>Applications for permission to revoke a placement order (G v H)</i>	Item was triaged in May 2024 with agreement it should be in tier 3.  MoJ policy is now liaising with DfE, Cafcass Cymru, Cafcass and other stakeholders to inform our policy intention. Once this is confirmed we will return to the Committee to discuss potential FPR amendments.			
18	Oct-22	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	<i>Case Management and Intimate Images</i>	This item has been restarted, and the draft paper is currently undergoing review by MoJ Legal. Once the legal review of the policy proposal is complete, MoJ intends to present the paper to the domestic abuse working group for further consideration.			

19	N/A	Dan Nesbitt	<i>Review of Practice Direction 12G.</i>	The item will be returned to the Committee once wider work priorities are agreed. A triage form is provided to the Committee in March with a suggestion from the Department for Education to amend PD12G.			
20		Dan Nesbitt	<i>Online C100: PD36G and Private Law Portal: PD36ZD (current expiry date 31 March 2026)</i>	PD36ZD: proposals in respect of birth certificates in parental order cases to be put to March meeting - (Scheduled)			
21		Maja Vojnovic	<i>PD36ZA: North Yorkshire pilot for notification of Part 4 Family law Act 1996 orders: current end date 28 February 2026</i>		This work is now linked to the National pilot Practice Direction on notifying the police of non-molestation orders. A paper on this is expected to be presented at the April FPRC meeting.		
<i>Tier 3: Work with timings listed as TBC or with longer timescales</i>							
22	May-24	Dan Nesbitt	<i>Review of PD12J (domestic abuse)</i>	Committee agreed in May 2024 that updates need not return until March 2025 save for raising any substantive issues (Scheduled for March 2025)			
23	Dec-23	Mr Justice Peel	<i>Single Lawyer Models.</i>	Item led by Mr Justice Peel/ Single Lawyer Model Working Group. End date depends on any agreed next steps by the Working Group. Committee agreed item to be paused due to capacity.			
24	N/A	N/A	<i>Review of the overriding objective, to include consideration of amendments relating to vulnerable parties and witnesses (FJC Report).</i>	This workstream is not currently being progressed so an end date cannot be predicted.			
25	N/A	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Opposite sex civil partnerships Implementation: consequential amendments to the FPR 2010.</i>	GEO aim to lay the regulations in Autumn 2024, subject to ministerial decision. MoJ Policy will confirm with GEO when this will return to the Committee.			

26	Apr-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Pension Sharing Orders.</i>	Item was triaged in April 2024 with agreement it will be allocated to Tier 3. This will include responding to the recommendations made by the Pensions Advisory Group. It will return to the Committee when capacity permits.			
27	Apr-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Enforcement of Financial Remedy orders.</i>	Item was triaged in April 2024 with agreement it will be allocated to Tier 3. This will include reviewing Rule 33.4(3) following the Gladwell v Gladwell judgment (2019). It will return to the Committee when capacity permits.			
28	Dec-22	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	<i>Closed Material Proceedings (CMP)</i>	The Committee agreed for this item to be paused whilst amendments to CMP are being made in Civil. MoJ colleagues would also require cross-department agreement before FPR amendments can be made.			
29	May-24	N/A	<i>Disclosure of electronic records</i>	This was triaged in May 2024 and the Committee agreed it should remain at tier 3.			
30	Oct-23	Dot Connellan	<i>Deprivation of Liberty: amend the C66 application form and reviewing mechanisms on orders</i>	This item was added following a report from the Nuffield Family Justice Observatory published in 2023. MoJ and DfE policy are considering interactions with these proposals and primary legislation related to Deprivation of Liberty orders.			
31	Feb-24	CPRC/FPRC Secretariat	<i>Cape v Dring implications</i>	The CPRC Sub-Committee has drafted amendments, which are currently under review by MoJ legal. They may be ready for the March CPRC meeting, but if not they are expected by April, with a more substantive update to the FPRC then.			
32	Apr-24	Rosa Abulafia	<i>Financial position after an overseas divorce: amend Part 8 FPR to reflect decision in Potanina: omit r8.25?</i>	This item was triaged in April 2024 with agreement it should be tier 3. It will return to the Committee when capacity permits.			

33	May-24	N/A	<i>Committal proceedings: 'Esper' judgment : amend to ensure consistent with CPR and CoPR</i>	This item was triaged in May 2024 where the Committee agreed it should be added to the Priorities Table in tier 3. It will return to the Committee when capacity permits.			
34	Jun-24	Gay Bailey	<i>Abduction: The role of a solicitor-guardian under FPR 16.6(1): consideration in light of Re D and CvM</i>	This item was triaged in June 2024 and the Committee agreed it should be added to the Priorities Table under tier 3.			
35	Jan-25	Gay Bailey	<i>Amendment of Form C100 to cover intra-UK jurisdiction</i>		This item is dependent on the rollout of the private law portal so an update will be provided in 2025.		
36	Feb-25	Joy Teddy-Jimoh	<i>Communications with the Court (FPR 5.7(1) and 18.5(1) : proposal to amend to require "contemporaneous" filing and service</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 on 3 Feb 2025. The end date cannot be determined at present.			
37	N/A	Dot Connellan	<i>PD36ZE (local flexibilities) current expiry date 28 February 2026</i>	Throughout 2024 officials continued to investigate the impacts of PD36ZE. An update was provided at the December 2024 meeting and the Committee approved a two-year further extension. Matter to return to Committee in due course to established whether a permanent implementation is appropriate.			
38	N/A	Dot Connellan	<i>Justice Legal Adviser Powers</i>	MoJ policy has also met with HHJ Suh to discuss legal adviser powers in public law cases and potential improvements to the public law file allocation system. This work is in the early stages and is not yet ready for triaging.			
39	Feb-25	Rosa Abulafia	<i>D81 Form - Costs : amend to add section requesting information about costs incurred</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 on 3 Feb 2025. The end date cannot be determined at present.			

40		Dorothy Connellan	PD121 (transparency)	Proposal to amend to reference Press Association's Media Injunctions Alert Service. Timing TBC.			
<i><b>Tier 4: Update only - these items will be monitored , with updates provided to the Committee, but do not currently involve active policy development</b></i>							
41		FPRC Secretariat	<u>Web Updates (inaccuracies on Justice.gov.uk).</u>	Web updates are reviewed by the FPRC Secretariat on an ongoing basis			
42	Feb-25	Jenni Barrett	Qualified Legal Representatives		To update Committee in April 2025		
43	Feb-21	Chris Palmwalker	Mediation Vouchers (Pilot PD).	Update provided at the Feb meeting, and agreement secured to amend the PD and continue scheme for a further year. A further update will be provided before the summer break on the longer term future of the scheme			To return to the committee in the summer, once results of the multi-year spending review have been determined, to provide an update on the longer-term future. Pilot PD extended to 31 March 2026 in PD Update No.1 of 2025.
44	Jul-22	Chris Palmwalker	Private Law Demand (Early Resolution)	A further update will be provided on the Sub-group's work.			An update will be provided on evaluation
45	Oct-22	Maja Vojnovic	Domestic Abuse Protection Orders	Committee to revisit the pilot progress in spring 2025.	To consider providing a verbal update or a paper at the April FPRC, or possibly at a slightly later date, after pilot expansion to Cleveland on 5 March 2025 and North Wales on 28 April has been completed		
46	Ongoing	FPRC Secretariat	Forms Working Group (standing forms update with table of work).	The Forms Working Group consider provisions on an ongoing basis.			

