

	No.	FPRC Priority Table			
		Work Strand		Quarter 4	
		Date added to priorities table	Policy Area	6 July 2026	6 October 2026
TIER 1 - Committee and Government top priorities and active work strands	1	Jun-24	<i>Unregulated Experts</i>	Officials returned to the Committee in May 2026 with a final draft for approval. The Rule change was included in Family Procedure (Amendment No. 1) Rules 2026 and Practice Direction Update No.3 of 2026.	
	2	Dec-22	<i>Restriction of the exercise of parental responsibility (Jade's Law).</i>	Jade's Law - Officials will provide an update on the target stakeholder consultation at the July 2026 meeting.	An update will be provided at the October 2026 meeting as a substantive item.
	3	Dec-22	<i>Restriction of the exercise of parental responsibility (Victims and Courts Act 2026)</i>	The Victims and Courts Act received Royal Assent in May 2026 and an update was provided at the June 2026 meeting.	
	4	N/A	<i>Private Law Reform - Child Focused Courts PD36Z (current expiry date 31 March 2027)</i>	Further amendments to the PD are expected following a review of the operating model since July 2025. Amendments to PD36Z, PD12B (Pilot) were included in Practice Direction Update No3 of 2026 .	
	5	N/A	<i>Amendments to PD36ZI - Notification to the police when certain orders are made under the Family Law Act 1996</i>	The Committee approval at the May meeting to extend the pilot for 1 year, from July 2026 to July 2027, and was included in Practice Direction Update No.3 of 2026. A further update will be provided at the July 2026 meeting as a substantive item.	
Tier 2: Substantive Items	6	Dec-24	<i>Transparency, Reporting and Information Sharing in financial remedy proceedings</i>	An update was provided at the April 2026 meeting in relation to the consultation which launched on 16th March. An update on the proposed timeline and a proposal for changes to the FPR was provided at the April 2026 meeting. The new hook rule was included in the FP(Amendment) Rules 2026 with Practice Direction drafting to follow at a later stage. An update was provided at the June 2026 meeting.	
	7	Dec-24	<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. This item is currently paused due to other priorities.	

	8	Feb-25	<i>Form E - proposal to amend form to include details of pre-marriage or pre-civil partnership Cohabitation</i>	Policy to presented minor amendments at the October meeting (short paper + Triage form) seeking in-principle agreement before referral to the Forms Working Group. Wider amendments to be triaged separately. This Item is currently paused due to other priorities.	
	9	May-24	<i>Applications for permission to revoke a placement order (G v H)</i>	The G&H Working Group reconvened in September to consider the most effective way to make rule changes to correct the anomaly uncovered in the 2023 judgment. Further legal work is needed to identify whether any other types of permission application could be consequentially affected. The group hopes to present its recommendations to the Committee later in 2026.	
	10	Oct-22	<i>Case Management and Intimate Images</i>	This workstream was previously paused due to resourcing issues and has now been reopened. Officials will return to the Domestic Abuse Working Group to progress this work before returning to the Committee.	
	11	N/A	<i>Review of provisions relating to disclosure of information from proceedings relating to children (including Practice Direction 12G and PD14E). Cape v Dring Implications.</i>	Substantive items were provided in the July and October meetings and a verbal update in November. The Committee has agreed to progress this work further through a Transparency and Information Sharing sub-group. At the November 2025 meeting the Committee also agreed that the Cape v Dring work now sits within the remit of the Transparency and Information Sharing Group. The Working Group responsible for this area is the Information Sharing and Transparency Working Group. An update was provided at the June 2026 meeting.	
	12	Oct-25	<i>FDAC Code</i>	At the November meeting the Committee agreed that officials should explore further the recommended option to incorporate the FDAC code fully into the FPR, along with drafting a new standalone Practice Direction. A new Practice Direction has now been drafted focusing on court processes which officials have shared with Lord Justice Peter Jackson and the FDAC judiciary who drafted the Code, for comment. Their comments have recently been received and officials will progress this work as soon as other priorities allow.	
	13	Mar-26	<i>Post Reduction Project</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 2 in March 2026 and is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows.	
	14	N/A	<i>Justices' Legal Adviser Powers – Public Law</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 in March 2026. The Committee agreed in principle at the March 2026 meeting for PD2C be amended so Justices' Legal Advisers (JLAs) can (in specified circumstances to be agreed) amend case timetables in public law proceedings. Officials have subsequently liaised with HHJ Suh and met with JLAs to ascertain which powers of the court it is intended JLAs should be able to exercise. The amendments to PD2C were included in the PD update No 3 of 2026.	
Tier 3: Work with timings listed as TBC or with longer	15	Jul-25	<i>Contested financial remedy online: provision for litigants in person (PD41H)</i>	This item is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows.	

16	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.	
17	N/A	<i>Opposite sex civil partnerships Implementation: consequential amendments to the FPR 2010.</i>	Pending OEO input - timeline to be confirmed	
18	Apr-24	<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.	
19	Apr-24	<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.	
20	Dec-22	<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.	
21	May-24	<i>Disclosure of electronic records</i>	This was triaged in May 2024 and the Committee agreed it should remain at tier 3.	
22	Oct-23	<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. The Committee received a substantive update in July and a further update in October under Matters Arising. Colleagues at DfE are due to attend the next Forms Working Group to agree any form amendments which may be required.	
23		<i>Relationship between rules, PDs and guidance.</i>	A paper was presented to the July 2023 meeting. It was decided to take forward Option 2 in that paper. This item is currently paused due to other priorities.	
24	May-24	<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.	
25	Jun-24	<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.	

26	Feb-25	<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.	
27	N/A	<i>PD36ZE (local flexibilities) current expiry date 28 February 2027</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.	
28	Feb-25	<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.	
29	N/A	<i>PD12I (transparency)</i>	Proposal to amend to reference Press Association's Media Injunctions Alert Service. Timing TBC.	
30	Apr-25	<i>Special Measures and Screens</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 on 7 April 2025. The end date cannot be determined at present.	
31	Apr-24	<i>Financial remedies after overseas divorce. Proposed amendments to: - FPR 28.3(4)(b)(ii)-(iii) to exclude applications under s.13 of the 1984 Act and paragraph 4, Sch.7 of the 2024 Act (AS v RS) - Part 8 to reflect the Potanina decision (removal of r.8.25)</i>	This item was triaged in April 2024, and two related items were combined into a single workstream. The priority level will be reviewed in early 2026. Work on this item will resume when capacity allows.	
32	Apr-24	<i>Interim maintenance application (FPR 9.7) : proposal to amend to prescribe what information the respondent must file</i>	Item was triaged in April 2024 and the Committee agreed to add it in tier 2. However as there is currently no work being carried out on this item it has been moved to Tier 3.	
33	Jul-25	<i>Contested financial remedy online: provision for litigants in person (PD41H)</i>	This item is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows.	

	34	Feb-26	<i>Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders ('REMO'): functions to be performed by Justices' Legal Advisers</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 in February 2026 and is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows	
	35	Feb-26	<i>Proposals for single lay justices to be able to hear certain Magistrate Composition and REMO Cases, and for certain REMO hearings to be held remotely</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 in February 2026 and is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows.	
	36	Feb-26	<i>Digital post placement adoption application: statement of truth from local authority</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 in February 2026 and is currently paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows	
	37	Nov-20	<i>Deed Poll Name Changes</i>	This item is currently paused due to other priorities.	
	38	May-26	<i>Finding of Facts hearings in public law</i>	This item was triaged to Tier 3 in May 2026 and will be raised at the October 2026 meeting	
	39	Jun-26	<i>Turk v Legal Aid Agency [2026] EWCA Civ 469</i>	The Committee considered the decision in Turk v Legal Aid Agency at its June 2026 meeting in the context of the Contempt Working Group and agreed to put this matter in Tier 3, with no further action at this stage.	
<i>Tier 4 - items for update only</i>	40	Feb-25	<i>Qualified Legal Representatives</i>	Officials will provide an update as a substantive item in relation to the QLR statutory guidance at the July 2026 meeting. An update will be provided at the October 2026 meeting	
	41	Feb-21	<i>Mediation Vouchers (Pilot PD).</i>	Amendments to PD36V relating to the extension of the scheme and were included in Practice Direction Update No.1 of 2026. An update was provided at the June 2026 meeting under matters arising.	
	42	Jul-22	<i>Private Law Demand (Early Resolution)</i>	This workstream has been paused due to other priorities and will be revisited when Policy, Legal or HMCTS operational resource allows.	

	43	Oct-22	Domestic Abuse Protection Orders	A substantive update was provided at the May meeting, and the Committee was invited to ask the DAWG to engage with DAPO Practice Directions, and the associated court forms and templates in preparation for DAPO national roll-out in November 2026 Information of DAPO interim evaluation was circulated to FPRC members by email, as a follow-up to an agreed action at the May meeting. An update will be provided at the July 2026 meeting with PD and forms drafts for Committee approval, following the consideration by DAWG, and any further updates in relation to DAPO national rollout	
	44	N/A	Fast Track Procedure – financial remedy applications.	PD36ZH will expire on 2 April 2027. An update on the pilot will be provided closer to that date.	
	45	Jun-26	Contempt Working Group	The Committee considered the draft cross-jurisdictional contempt rules and raised concerns that they do not reflect the specific requirements of the family jurisdiction. It was agreed to provide high-level comments to the Working Group and to defer further consideration pending development of the wider work. An update will be provided at the July 2026 meeting.	
	46	Feb-24	Confidentiality of parties' Contact Details	Draft rule amendments to rule 29.1 FPR included in FP(Amendment) Rules 2025, to come into force 1 June 2026. WG approved versions of the amended forms have been sent to digital and paper forms development teams for full implementation. An update was provided at the June 2026 meeting. Work is currently underway to complete the full Welsh translation of the amended forms	
	47	N/A	Online C100: PD36G and Private Law Portal: PD36ZD (current expiry date 31 March 2027)	Amendments to PD36G and PD36ZD were included in Practice Direction Update No.1 of 2026. An update will be provided until such time as any substantive amendments or end date extensions to the PDs/ the replacement of PD36ZD with a permanent PD is proposed	
	48	Jul-22	Police Disclosure Orders: the 2024 Protocol and template order for police disclosure	An update was provided at the June 2026 meeting following engagement with the Disclosure Working Group on the draft Annex 5 template and handling instructions. Proposed amendments to insert signposts to the Protocol were included in Practice Direction Update No. 3 of 2026. Officials will revert to the Committee if and when the Disclosure Working Group seeks their views when periodically reviewing the Protocol.	