

From : [REDACTED]  
To : [REDACTED]  
CC : [REDACTED], Sandy Stewart/NEWPORT/ONS,  
Roger.Halliday [REDACTED], Nicola.Edge [REDACTED],  
Date Sent : 19/06/2014 17:45:48  
Subject : [RE: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps](#)

Hi [REDACTED]

Could you let me know if you have been able to make arrangements to meet with [REDACTED] in Police Scotland? I understand that [REDACTED] is expecting to be contacted.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 05 June 2014 12:15  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Edge N (Nicola); Halliday R (Roger); Sandy Stewart; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED],

Generally the follow-up meeting is to provide an opportunity for further evidence gathering, and for the assessment team to clarify any areas of uncertainty and give an indication of what the requirements are likely to be in the final report. Its not normal practice for the assessment team to send either a list of the requirements or draft copies of the report at this stage. This will be provided, according to the preferred timescales, on 25th June. However, I believe Ed gave

Roger an overview of some likely requirements when they spoke earlier in the week, so he may be able to give you an idea of some of the issues in advance of next week's meeting.

With regards to contacting [REDACTED], I think [REDACTED] was looking into this. I don't think she managed to get in touch with her before she went on leave though.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

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Cc: [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED], [Nicola.Edge](mailto:Nicola.Edge),  
[Roger.Halliday](mailto:Roger.Halliday), Sandy Stewart/NEWPORT/ONS@ONS, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Date: 04/06/2014 18:18  
Subject: RE: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks - we will make the relevant arrangements. The meeting will be held in [REDACTED], Edinburgh.

As I mentioned, it would be helpful if you could share a list of the likely requirements, for us to consider in advance of the meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Would it be possible for you to send us a copy of the report which you submitted to the Assessment Committee for their meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> May? I note that, in advance of the next Assessment Committee, the UKSA will send a draft report to the SG on 25<sup>th</sup> June.

Could you also let me know if you are planning to meet with [REDACTED] at Police Scotland, as part of the next phase of evidence collection?

Regards,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 June 2014 17:18  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Edge N (Nicola); Halliday R (Roger); Sandy Stewart; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED],

3pm on Monday 9th June would be fine for us. [REDACTED] will attend via tele-conferencing.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED], [Nicola.Edge](mailto:Nicola.Edge), [Roger.Halliday](mailto:Roger.Halliday), Sandy Stewart/NEWPORT/ONS@ONS, [REDACTED]  
**Date:** 04/06/2014 16:31  
**Subject:** RE: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED]

Many thanks for your reply.

Thanks – it would be helpful to have a follow-up meeting where we can discuss the likely requirements emerging, and try to identify any further evidence that you may require from us. Re possible dates, would any of the following be convenient to yourselves:

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June – from 1 pm onwards  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – from 1 pm onwards  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – am or pm

Please let me know if any of the above dates/times suit you and then we will arrange a meeting room and tele-conferencing facilities (if required).

I note your preferred timescales for the next Assessment Committee. We would aim to provide an update on our publication plans for the comparative analysis at the follow-up meeting.

If you are able to provide a list of the likely requirements for us to consider in advance of the meeting, then that would be very helpful.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 04 June 2014 16:08  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Edge N (Nicola); Halliday R (Roger); Sandy Stewart; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email about the ongoing assessment.

The Assessment Committee met on 29th May and 'Recorded Crime in Scotland' was discussed. Ed spoke with Roger yesterday morning to provide some feedback on the committee's views.

With regards to the next steps, as with other assessments we would suggest we have a follow-up meeting where we can discuss the likely requirements emerging, and try to identify any further evidence that we may require from you. It would be really helpful all round to have that meeting over the next few days, so if you could let me know when you are free then we can get that meeting set up as soon as possible.

Our preferred timescales for the next Assessment Committee are:

17th June - Deadline for evidence collection

25th June - Draft report sent to Scottish Government (Roger, [REDACTED]) and the National Statistician's Office (comments back by 2nd July)

8th July - Report sent to Assessment Committee

17th July - Assessment Committee meeting

18th July - Feedback from Assessment Committee meeting - this can be a phone call or a meeting, depending on the magnitude of any changes to the draft report

31st July - Final assessment report published on UK Statistics Authority website, subject to the discussion at the Assessment Committee meeting

Our deadlines are quite tight, particularly with regards to collecting further evidence, however we will try to incorporate any further evidence you are able to provide after the 17th June.

I understand that Ed and Roger talked a bit about the forthcoming comparative analysis of the statistics arising from the two data sources. It would be really helpful if you could fill us in on your publication plans for this analysis

I hope this is helpful and if you have any further questions please get in touch.

[REDACTED]

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Date: 03/06/2014 18:17

Subject: RE: Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED]

Would you be able to provide a response in [REDACTED] absence, please, as I note that [REDACTED] will be out of the office until Monday 9 June?

Happy to discuss.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2014 13:13  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Sandy Stewart; Halliday R (Roger); Edge N (Nicola); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Assessment of recorded crime statistics - next steps

Hi [REDACTED]

I understand that there was a meeting of the UK Statistics Authority Committee on Thursday 29 May.

In relation to the re-assessment of recorded crime statistics, it would be helpful if we could consider next steps and if you could provide me with an overview of this next stage in the assessment process, please?

*1. Committee meeting on 29 May*

In particular, are you able to share the emerging/draft requirements/recommendations from the assessment which were discussed/agreed at the Committee meeting on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May? It would also be helpful to know which of these requirements/recommendations the Committee would wish the SG to meet prior to the next publication of recorded crime statistics in October 2014.

*2. Next steps*

Further to the information/responses provided by JAS to date, do you require any further information from JAS? If so, what is the timescale associated with providing this information?

What information will be required in relation to the requirements/recommendations from the Committee meeting last week?

When will the SG have an opportunity to see a draft version of the report which will be prepared for the July meeting of the UK Statistics Authority Committee, to comment on the draft report, in terms of factual accuracy?

*3. Committee meeting in July*

When will the UK Statistics Authority make any public statement/publish an assessment report regarding the designation of the Recorded Crime statistics?

Further to the above, we had also provided you with the email address for [REDACTED] at Police Scotland. You may already have contacted [REDACTED], but if not, I do think it would be helpful if the UKSA was to meet with [REDACTED] as she is the Executive lead for Crime Registrars in Police Scotland and has over-arching responsibility.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Regards

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