

IRVING RECOMMENDATIONS AND EXECUTIVE ACTION PLAN

Recommendation	Action	Timescale
1. Extend notification requirements to include more personal information	Seek to amend section 83 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, through a Stage 2 amendment in the Police (Scotland) Bill re inclusion of passport, bank, and credit card details. Seek to give the police powers to take and retain DNA samples if not taken at the time of charge or conviction.	Early 2006
2. Tighten registration for homeless sex offenders.	Registration requirements already tightened in Sexual Offences Act 2003. Will further investigate the issue of managing the housing needs of homeless sex offenders in the context of the Executive's work to finalise the national accommodation strategy for managing the risk posed by sex offenders.	Ongoing
3. Reduce notification requirement for changes in details from 3 days to 24 hours.	Notification period reduced from 14 days to 3 days in Sexual Offences Act 2003. Further work will be needed with ACPOS and others to review the practicality and impact of further reduction.	Ongoing
4. Scottish Prison Service, Court or Social Services to inform police of any Notification Requirement.	Will be taken forward through the improved joint working arrangement being put in place through the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill.	Spring 2006
5. Mandatory requirement on NHS to alert police to transfer/release of sex offender.	Scottish Statutory Instrument has been drafted which will be the subject of consultation with stakeholders.	Early 2006
6. Supports ISSG definition of sex offenders	Definitions will be included in guidance informing implementation of the Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill.	Spring 2006
7. (1) Mandatory participation in risk assessment and (2) powers of entry.	(1) Risk Management Authority to consider issue of mandatory participation in risk assessment. (2) Seek to amend section Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, possibly through a Stage 2 amendment in the Police (Scotland) Bill re powers of entry.	(1) Summer 2006 (2) Early 2006.
8. Clarify lead	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc	Spring 2006

roles in risk assessments	(Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	
9. Joint risk assessments for high risk offenders	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc (Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	Spring 2006
10. Academic/clinical advice to police	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
11. Joint risk assessments at critical times	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc (Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	Spring 2006
12. NAB and CJA to oversee Concordat	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc (Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	Spring 2006
13. RMA to review RM2000	RMA currently considering as part of research/training strategy	December 2005
14. Service of registration requirements	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
15. Level of monitoring SOs	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc (Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	Spring 2006
16. Specialist SO Units to set up	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
17. Police to nominate SO Co-ordinator	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
18. Policing SOs in force areas	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
19. Police powers of entry	Seek, through a Stage 2 amendment in the Police (Scotland) Bill to give police powers to apply for a court order enabling them to enter and search the home of registered offenders for the purposes of risk assessment	Early 2006
20. Mandatory attendance at police interview	See rec 7	See rec 7
21. Laptop preview devices	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
22. Warning systems	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
23. Disclosure	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
24. Better multi agency working and information sharing	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc (Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	Spring 2006
25. Duties on	Addressed in Management of Offenders etc	Spring 2006

agencies to co-operate	(Scotland), which will be informed by operational guidance.	
26. Include RSHO on ViSOR	Already in place.	
27. Fast track SOPOs	SCS operational guidance issued on 6 October 2005	October 2005
28. Registration as licence condition	(1) Executive liaising with Parole Board to progress re long term prisoners. (2) The Management of Offenders etc. (Scotland) Bill will impose licence conditions for short term prisoners	(1.) January 2006 (2.) February 2006
29. Review of operational arrangements	Executive liaising with ACPOS/HMIC	November 2005
30. Common designation for SO Units	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
31. SO units =serious crime units	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
32. Enhance police training	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
33 3 year tenure	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
34. SO Unit job descriptions	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
35. Enhanced role for SO Units	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005
36. More civilian staff to support SO Units	Taking forward with ACPOS Sex Offender Working Group	November 2005