

MEETING OF THE SCOTTISH SENTENCING COUNCIL

FRIDAY 22 MARCH 2024 AT 1000

EDINBURGH CITY CHAMBERS

AGENDA

(Timings are indicative only)

TIME	DESCRIPTION	SPEAKER(S)
1	PROCEEDINGS	
1000-1010	Item 1.1: Introduction and welcome	Chair
	Item 1.2: Previous meeting minutes <i>Paper 1.2</i>	Chair
	Item 1.3: Progress of actions since last meeting <i>Paper 1.3</i>	Chair
	Item 1.4: Private papers <i>Papers 1.3, 1.6, 1.7, 2.1, 2.1A-D, 2.2, 2.2A, 3.1, 3.1A, 3.1B, 3.2, 4.2, 4.3, 4.3A-B, 5.1, 6.1B, 6.1C</i>	Chair
	Item 1.5: Update on committee membership <i>Oral update</i>	Chair
	Item 1.6: Funding requirements 2024/25 <i>Oral update with reference to paper 1.6</i>	Ondine Tennant
	Item 1.7: Business plan 2024-27 <i>Paper 1.7</i>	Ondine Tennant
2	SENTENCING GUIDELINES	
1010-1110	Item 2.1: Draft rape guidelines <i>Papers 2.1 and 2.1A-D</i>	Lord Matthews
	Item 2.2: Sentencing young people guideline: one-year review <i>Papers 2.2 and 2.2A</i>	Chair David Ross Tom Hughes
	Item 2.3: Guideline committees update <i>Oral update on the work of the guideline committees: -</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Death by driving</i> • <i>Sexual offences</i> 	Lord Matthews

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Domestic abuse</i> • <i>Discounting</i> • <i>Environment and wildlife</i> 	Lord Colbeck Sheriff Fleming
3	COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT	
1110-1130	Item 3.1: Communications Committee update <i>Oral update with reference to papers 3.1 and 3.1A-B</i>	Summary Sheriff Elfallah
	Item 3.2: Recent and upcoming engagement activity <i>Papers 3.2 and 3.2A</i>	Chair
4	RESEARCH	
1130-1210	Item 4.1: Research Committee update <i>Oral update</i>	Sheriff Fleming
	Item 4.2: Research projects update <i>Oral update, with reference to paper 4.2</i>	Dr Nicole Vidal
	Item 4.3: Mental health and sentencing <i>Oral update and discussion with reference to papers 4.3 and 4.3A-B</i>	Chair Dr Arun Chopra Professor Graham Towl Dr Gordon Skilling
5	POLICY DEVELOPMENT	
1210-1220	Item 5.1: Policy update <i>Paper 5.1</i>	David Dickson
6	GOVERNANCE AND REPORTS	
1220-1230	Item 6.1: Standing papers: correspondence, FOISA, and complaints; finance overview; guideline timetable <i>Papers 6.1A-C</i>	Chair David Ross
	Item 6.2: Decisions by correspondence <i>Oral update</i>	Chair
7	AOB	
1230-1240	Item 7.1: AOB	Chair
8	FUTURE MEETING DATES	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council meeting: 07 June 2024 • Council workshop: 30 August 2024 • Council meeting: 04 October 2024 • Council meeting: 06 December 2024 	Chair