Police Recorded Crime, Domestic & Hate Motivations and Anti Social Behaviour Consultations and Meetings (since December 2010)

Much of the feedback from users of this data comes from informal discussions which take place in response to requests for information or general one-off queries about the data already provided. However in addition to this, the more formal consultations listed below have also been held.

Date

Meeting / Consultation

awareness of the data.

May 2014

Meeting with charity who is a key user of police recorded crime statistics: This key user is routinely provided with crime figures tailored to meet their requirements, and would also request information that is not always possible for PSNI to provide. The purpose of the meeting was to provide more of an insight into the level of accuracy that could be ascribed to variables/incident details additional to that which would be published by PSNI. The crime recording processes along with a discussion of our quality assurance processes were discussed and it was agreed that the meeting helped to give the user a greater

10th December 2012

Consultation on a revised framework for recorded crime outcomes in Northern Ireland

There were two formal responses in respect of this consultation.

One broadly welcomed these proposals and in particular the efforts to increase transparency and understanding but urged that care be taken to ensure that the manner in which specific outcome categories are recorded does not compromise the interests and safety of some victims, particularly those who may be most vulnerable and at greatest risk.

The second supported the proposed changes as they would improve transparency in relation to recorded crime and the criminal justice system as a whole. However they sought assurance that comparability would be maintained by any new methods going forward with what was done previously.

10th December 2012

Proposed changes to police recorded crime classifications and the presentation of crime statistics

There were two formal responses in respect of this consultation.

One broadly welcomed the proposed changes as a positive development that would enhance transparency and assist the work of their organisation through the improved presentation and provision of valuable and relevant data. They urged caution in ensuring that any proposed changes would be carefully explained to avoid the unintended consequence of diminishing the significance of certain categories of crime on the individual.

The second supported the proposed changes as they would improve transparency in relation to recorded crime and the criminal justice system as a whole.

7th February 2012

Regional Strategy Group on Domestic Violence meeting: The documentation currently existing on the PSNI website was shown to those present at the meeting, in particular the user guide, the annual and quarterly bulletins and the accompanying excel spreadsheets. The spreadsheet pivot tables were demonstrated and were well received. Details of the mailing list and publication schedules were also provided.

7th June 2011

Regional Strategy Group on Domestic Violence meeting: Purpose was to consult users on the revised format of annual and quarterly publications. Due to technical difficulties it was not possible to present the proposed templates for annual and quarterly publications at the meeting. However the documentation was circulated to group members for feedback. An invitation was extended to present at the meeting to be held in January/February 2012.

Date Meeting / Consultation

12th April 2011 Consultation meeting attended by Statistician and Policy Colleagues from

within Criminal Justice. Purpose was to consult users on the revised format of annual and quarterly publications (expanded commentary, time series and provision of excel pivot tables) and to explain the implications of the realigned crime classifications. The documents discussed at the meeting were subsequently circulated around those who attended the meeting and also to other individuals

identified by the meeting participants.

8th April 2011 Independent Advisory Group meeting: attended by Disability, multi cultural, LGBT and Age advisory groups. Purpose was to consult users on the revised

format of annual and quarterly publications.

1st December 2010 Consultation on Crime Recording Realignment published on PSNI website.