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Summary

This report provides Members with an overview of activity undertaken within the last reporting period, since your 9th November 2020 Performance and Resource Management Committee, in response to reports published by HMICFRS. An overview of the inspection programme is detailed in this report and progress against both existing and new recommendations received is provided for Members' information in Appendix A.

Reports published

3 new reports have been published in the last period, 2 with recommendations.

Inspections undertaken since last report

No new inspections have taken place.

Inspections Due

HMICFRS are conducting a spotlight Fraud inspection – this is a revisit inspection to assess progress against recommendations and areas for improvement from their 2019 report.

Reports Due for Publication

No new force level reports are due.

HMICFRS Recommendations Overview

This report details progress against the recommendations from all live inspection action plans, summarised in the table below and detailed fully within Appendix A. There are currently 28 outstanding recommendations.

There are 2 new greens to report, demonstrating progress since your November 2020 Performance and Resources Management Committee.

HMICFRS Report title	Number of open recommendations/areas for improvement and status			
	Previous report to your Performance and Resources committee [November 2020]		Current report to your committee	
	National report	Force report	National report	Force report
<u>New Reports</u>				
HMICFRS Publication - Police super-complaint: police data sharing for immigration purposes			4 AMBER	
'Feeling heard': partner agencies working together to make a difference for children with mental ill health			This reports makes no recommendations	
Pre-charge bail and released under investigation: striking a balance			2 AMBER	
<u>Previous Reports</u>				

	National report	Force report	National report	Force report
Roads Policing – Not Optional	1 NEW GREEN 5 AMBER 1WHITE		2 NEW RED 2 AMBER 2 WHITE	
Child Protection – City of London Police		1 NEW GREEN 1 AMBER		1 NEW RED
National Child Protection Inspections: 2019	2 AMBER		2 NEW RED	
Cyber: Keep the light on	1 WHITE		2 WHITE	
Shining a light on betrayal: Abuse of position for a sexual purpose	1 AMBER		1 AMBER	
Crime Data Integrity inspection 2019		2 AMBER		2 AMBER
The Poor Relation - The police and CPS response to crimes against older people	1 AMBER		1 AMBER	
PEEL 2018/2019		2 AMBER		1 NEW RED

				1 AMBER
Fraud: Time to Choose		1 AMBER		1 AMBER
Report on an unannounced inspection visit to police custody suites – City of London Police		3 AMBER		2 NEW GREEN 1 AMBER
Policing and Mental Health - Picking Up the Pieces	1 WHITE		1 WHITE	
Understanding the difference: the initial police response to hate crime	1 AMBER		1 NEW RED	
PEEL: Police Effectiveness 2017 – National	1 WHITE		1 WHITE	
Recommendation Summary	Previous report to your Performance and Resources committee [November 2020]		Current report to your committee	
	National report	Force report	National report	Force report
New reports	0	0	2 [plus 1 without recommendations]	0
New Green	0	0	0	0
Amber	0	0	6	0
Red	0	0	0	0
White	0	0	0	0
Closed	0	0	6	0
Sub-total – New Reports	0	0	2 [plus 1 without recommendations]	0
Previous reports				
NEW Green	1	1	0	2
Amber	10	9	4	5
Red	0	0	5 [all new]	2 [all new]
White	5	0	6	0
Closed [action not for force]	0	0	0	0
Sub- Total – Previous Reports	16	10	15	9
Total Prior Report Amber/Red/White Recommendations	15	9	21	7
	24		28	

Recommendation

Members are asked to receive and note the contents of this report.

Main Report

Background

1. This report provides Members with an overview of the City of London Police response to HM Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS) continuing programme of inspections and published reports. Since the last report to your November 2020 Performance and Resources Management Committee there has been 3 new reports published for the force to consider. Progress with existing recommendations as well as detail of the current inspection programme is provided below for reference.

Current Position

New Reports

2. 3 reports have been published since last reported to your Performance and Resources Management Committee in November 2020:

- **Police super-complaint: police data sharing for immigration purposes**, published 17th December 2020

This is a national report published following a policing super-complaint, submitted by Liberty and Southall Black Sisters about the practice of the police sharing of victims' immigration information with the Home Office. This is the first police super-complaint investigation to be published.

The investigation raises concerns about the effect the sharing of immigration information between police and the Home Office has on victims of crime with unsettled immigration status. The investigation found that the current system was causing significant harm to the public interest.

The police super-complaints system allows designated organisations to raise issues and became operational on 1st November 2018. Individuals cannot make super-complaints.

Super-complaints can only be submitted by organisations designated by the Home Office. Designated bodies may submit super-complaints for consideration by HMICFRS, the College of Policing and the Independent Office of Police Conduct (IOPC).

- **'Feeling heard': partner agencies working together to make a difference for children with mental ill health**, published 9th December 2020.

This is a national report and describes the findings from 6 Joint Targeted Area Inspections [JTAs] – there are no recommendations. The report has been circulated in force for learning opportunities.

- **Pre-charge bail and released under investigation: striking a balance**, published 8th December 2020

This is a national joint inspection report HMICFRS and HMCPSi.

The inspection assessed:

- i. the effectiveness of leadership and governance in supporting the implementation of the legislation on pre-charge bail/Released Under Investigation [RUI];
- ii. the effectiveness of police forces in identifying and managing the vulnerability and risk associated with victims of crime where the suspect has been RUI;
- iii. the effectiveness of police forces and the CPS in prosecuting cases where pre-charge bail/RUI is used;
- iv. the impact of pre-charge bail/RUI on the timescales of the justice process from investigation to conclusion;
- v. the effectiveness of understanding at a strategic level of the use of pre-charge bail/RUI; and
- vi. good practice and areas for improvement.

The report makes a series of recommendations aimed at improving police and CPS practice and making victims and communities safer.

Action plan progress is reported in Appendix A.

Inspections undertaken since the last report

3. No new inspections have taken place.

Inspections Due

4. HMICFRS are conducting a spotlight Fraud inspection – this is a revisit inspection to assess progress against recommendations and areas for improvement from their 2019 report.

The force has submitted a document return and online interviews and focus groups will commence 1st February 2021 for 4 days.

This is a national level inspection – HMICFRS are revisiting the forces they originally inspected together with all Regional Organised Crime Units.

Reports Due

5. No new force level reports are due.

Current status of HMICFRS Recommendations

6. A total of 16 HMICFRS reports have been managed by the Force during the last reporting period.
7. The current status of recommendations is summarised in the table below with full details contained in Appendix A. HMICFRS have not set deadlines for many of these recommendations, so the Force has set itself some challenging targets to drive forward and deliver improvements.
8. There are currently 28 outstanding recommendations [21 national and 7 force].
9. There are 2 new greens to report [2 force] and 7 red.

Current Status of HMIC Recommendations Summary

Recommendation Summary	Previous report to your Performance and Resources committee November 2020]	Current report to your Board
NEW Green	2	2
Amber	19	15
Red	0	7 [all new]
White	5	6
Closed	0	0
Total Amber/Red/White Recommendations	24	28

NB: Definitions of the RAGW assessments are set out at the beginning of the Appendix.

Conclusion

10. The Force continues to make progress with implementation of HMICFRS recommendations and areas for improvement, which contributes to business improvement across the organisation.

11. Members are asked to note the report.

Appendix A: Full list of HMIC Recommendations currently being implemented within Force.

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