# Out of Court Resolutions Scrutiny Panel
# Summary of the meeting on Wednesday 1 July 2026

Attendees:

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| David Senior (DS) | Independent Panel Member and Chair |
| Richard Mangnall (RM) | Independent Panel Member |
| Jim Phillips (JP) | Independent Panel Member |
| Hilary Latimer (HL) | Independent Panel Member |
| Ben Worthington (BW) | CPS (Crown Prosecution Service) |
| Fabienne Gordon (FG) | Hampton Trust |
| Aarti Popat (AP) | Hampton Trust |
| Nicola Denny (ND) | Dorset Combined Youth Justice Service |
| Yvette Bessant (YB) | Restorative Justice |

**Dorset Police**

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| Sgt James Francis (JF) | Youth Justice Sergeant, Dorset Prevention |
| Jenny Bryant (JB) | Adult Out of Court Resolutions Manager |
| Nicki Philp (NP) | Criminal Justice Unit Manager |
| Insp Nicholas Lee (NL) | Neighbourhood Inspector |

**OPCC**

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| Tom Smith (TS) | Scrutiny Manager, OPCC |
| Andrea McDonnell (AM) | Support Officer, OPCC |

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS/DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/CONFIDENTIALITY

TS reminded panel members of the requirements of the confidentiality agreement they had each signed. He also drew attention to the handling instructions for the papers which should be deleted appropriately after the meeting.

## MINUTES

HL clarified a point on the minutes.

## MATTERS ARISING/ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Regarding one case, feedback requested at the previous meeting has now been received.

An update was provided in relation to an action

## REVIEW OF EFFECTIVENESS (REOFFENDING)

### Adult Cases – reoffending

There was no reoffending in any of the cases examined in the previous meeting.

### Youth Cases – reoffending

There was no reoffending in any of the cases examined in the previous meeting.

## PERFORMANCE UPDATE FOR QUARTER 2 2025/26

NP presented the Performance Update for Quarter 4, 1 January to 31 March 2026.

## DIP SAMPLE – CASES FOR DISCUSSION

### ADULT CASES OF OoCRs

JB presented the adult cases to the panel. The theme for this meeting was cases involving domestic abuse.

**CASE 13/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies.

**CASE 14/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies.

**CASE 15/26** After some discussions, the panel agreed this case should be NFA, therefore the panel agreed a score of 3b.

**CASE 16/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate.

**CASE 17/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate.

**CASE 18/26** After some discussion, the panel agreed a score of 2a.

**YOUTH CASES OF OoCDs**

JF presented the Youth cases to the panel. The theme for this meeting was cases of drug possession and supply.

**CASE 19/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies, the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors and the Victim Code.

**CASE 20/26** The panel agreed a score of 2a – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies, the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors and the Victim Code.

**CASE 21/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies, the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors and the Victim Code.

**CASE 22/26** The panel agreed a score of 1.

**CASE 23/26** The panel agreed a score of 1 – the disposal was appropriate and consistent with Dorset Police policies, the CPS Code for Crown Prosecutors and the Victim Code.

**THEME FOR NEXT MEETING**

The theme for the next meeting for adult cases will be knife crime, different weapons and violence linked to weapons. The theme for youth cases will be drug offences.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

It was noted that this was Tom's final meeting prior to his retirement, following nine years of service with the OPCC. Members thanked Tom for his contribution and wished him well for the future.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next panel meeting is on Wednesday 23 September 2026.

**The meeting closed at 15.00 pm**