

CABINET SECRETARY FOR JUSTICE AND VETERANS
ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON SPIKING

FOI REVIEW 202400393148 – INFORMATION TO BE RELEASED – ANNEX A

What	Roundtable To Discuss Spiking Incidents
When	Date: Thursday 4 November 2021 Time: 14:00 to 15:00
Where	Microsoft Teams meeting [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Who	A wide range of stakeholders, from victims organisations, prosecution, policing, higher education, community safety, VAWG and night time economy
Why	To establish the position across Scottish Government and Public Sector response to incidents of being spiked, and agree if further steps are needed.
Key messages	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Comms Activity	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Official support	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Senior Tourism Policy advisor [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] Team Leader - Violence Reduction Policy [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – Safer Communities Division [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Team Leader Equalities and Student Wellbeing [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Senior Policy Manager Equalities and Student Wellbeing Neil Rennick - Director, Justice [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Head of Unit, VAWG Justice Unit [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - VAWG Justice Unit

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	John Somers - Deputy Director, Police Division
Agenda	[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): Engagement discussing Spiking: FOI release - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)]
Main objective	To allow the Scottish Government and its partners to understand the prevalence of this issue, identify areas of priority, examine existing good practices, and consider innovative ideas in tackling the rise in spiking cases in Scotland, and to further meet its objectives for the VAWG agenda.
ANNEX	Annex A – Top Lines Annex B - Recent Parliamentary Questions Annex C - Current Position from Sectors Annex D - Biographies/attendees

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ITEM 1	Introduction from Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans
Opening Remarks	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	N/A
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Lead

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ITEM 2	Presentations from Sector Leads
Issue/ background	<p>We have organised presentations from each of the following sectors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police Scotland – [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] COPFS – [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] • Rape Crisis Scotland – [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] • Health [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] • Night Time Economy, Industry & Tourism [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] • Colleges and Universities [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] <p>Expected content of updates from each organisation can be found in Annex C</p> <p>Biographies of speakers can be found in Annex D. [REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]</p>
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Unit

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ITEM 3	Test Strip/Additional Measures
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

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ITEM 4	Facilitated Discussion & AOB
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
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ITEM 5	Final Reflections from Cabinet Secretary
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	N/A
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TOP LINES

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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RECENT PQS

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[Written question and answer: S6O-00294 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6T-00222 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03860 | Scottish Parliament Website \]](#)

Current Position Statements:

a) Police Scotland:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

b) COPFS:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

c) Rape Crisis Scotland:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

d) Health:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

e) Night Time Economy, Industry & Tourism:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

f) Universities & Colleges:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Biographies

POLICE SCOTLAND

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

VIOLENCE REDUCTION UNIT

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

COPFS

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

VICTIMS ORGANISATIONS

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

HEALTH

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

NIGHT TIME INDUSTRIES AND HOSPITALITY

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

LOCAL AUTHORITY AND LICENSING

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

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Sensitive Issues

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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What	Follow-up Roundtable To Discuss Spiking Incidents
When	Date: Wednesday 08 December 2021 Time: 09:00 to 10:00
Where	Microsoft Teams meeting [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Who	A range of stakeholders, from victims organisations, prosecution, policing, higher education, community safety, VAWG and night time economy
Why	To better understand the prevalence and establish progress made on the position across Scottish Government and Public Sector response to incidents of spiking, following initial roundtable discussion on 04 November 2021.
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Comms Activity	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Official support	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - VAWG Justice Unit [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - VAWG Justice Unit [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Team Leader - Violence Reduction Policy [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Safer Communities Division [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Team Leader Equalities and Student Wellbeing [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Senior Policy Manager Equalities and Student Wellbeing John Somers - Deputy Director, Police Division
Agenda	[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): Engagement discussing Spiking: FOI release - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)]

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Main objective	<p>To allow the Scottish Government and its partners to better understand the prevalence of this issue, discuss outcomes of the previous roundtable discussion, what work has been undertaken so far, if any conclusions have been reached, and to further meet its objectives for the VAWG agenda.</p> <p>To consider where any continued actions on this issue can be supported and delivered through the established networks and work to tackle Violence Against Women and Girls and ensure safer spaces.</p>
ANNEX	<p>Annex A – Top Lines Annex B – Agenda Item Backgrounds Annex C – Recent Parliamentary Questions Annex D – Outcomes from Roundtable 04 November 2021 Annex E – Biographies/attendees</p>

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ITEM 1	Introduction from Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans (5 mins)
Opening Remarks	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	N/A
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Lead

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ITEM 2	Update from Police Scotland (10 Mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Policing Divisions

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ITEM 3	Rape Crisis Scotland & Victim Support Scotland Updates (5 – 10 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] VAWG Unit.

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ITEM 4	Update Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities Core Leadership Group (5 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] Advanced Learning and Science

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ITEM 5	Police Scotland and SPA Forensic Services – Test Strip Investigation Progress (5 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Policing Divisions

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ITEM 6	Sources of Support and Information (5 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] VAWG Unit

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ITEM 7	Next Steps Roundtable Discussion (15 - 20 mins)
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	Listed Officials in relevant area

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ITEM 8	Final Reflections from Cabinet Secretary/Closing (5 mins)
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Suggested question(s)	N/A
Contact point	Listed Officials in relevant area

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TOP LINES

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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Current Positions/Background on Agenda Items

ITEM 2 - Update from Police Scotland

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

ITEM 3 - Rape Crisis Scotland & Victim Support Scotland Updates

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

**ITEM 4 – Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities – Core Leadership Group
Comments**

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

ITEM 5 - SPA – Test Strip Investigation Progress

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

ITEM 6 - Sources of Support and information

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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RECENT PQS

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[Written question and answer: S6O-00294 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6T-00222 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-04083 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03941 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03861 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03859 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03860 | Scottish Parliament Website \]](#)

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Outcomes from Discussion Roundtable 04 November 2021

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Biographies

Key Speakers

POLICE SCOTLAND

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

VICTIMS ORGANISATIONS

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

CREW

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

ATTENDEES (some still to confirm attendance)

HEALTH

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

NIGHT TIME INDUSTRIES AND HOSPITALITY

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

LOCAL AUTHORITY AND LICENSING

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

**Ministerial Roundtable on Spiking Report
8 December 2021**

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1. Background

On 4th November the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans, and Minister for Higher and Further Education held a Roundtable event to discuss the issue of drug and drink spiking.

A further Roundtable was held on 8th December and summary of the discussion is outlined in this report.

Spiking engages interests across a number of areas including; victims organisations, violence against women and girls policy, policing, prosecution, health, higher and further education, community safety initiatives, and the night time economy.

25 participants attended the Roundtable representing these interests and the invitation list is found at **Annex A**. The agenda to the meeting is also provided at **Annex B**.

The Roundtable's objective was to better understand the prevalence and establish progress made on the position across Scottish Government and public sector response to incidents of spiking, following the initial roundtable discussion on 4th November 2021.

The Scottish Government is committed to the Equally Safe Strategy, jointly owned with COSLA, which focusses on the prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls and tackling the underlying attitudes that perpetuate it.

Presentations were made by the following organisations:

- Police Scotland
- Rape Crisis Scotland
- Victim Support Scotland
- Representative from Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities Core Leadership Group
- Scottish Policing Authority Forensic Service
- Crew2000 (Drug support group for Students)

A summary of these presentations is provided at **Annex C**.

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2. High Level Themes

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

3. Outcomes from Discussion

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Annex A: Attendees

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): [Engagement discussing Spiking: FOI release - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](#)]

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Annex B: Agenda - Ministerial Roundtable on Spiking

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): [Engagement discussing Spiking: FOI release - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](#)]

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Annex C: Summary of Presentations

Police Scotland

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Rape Crisis Scotland: [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Victim Support Scotland: [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Equally Safe in Universities and colleges-Scottish Government: [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Scottish Police Authority: [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Crew 2000 Scotland - [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Annex D: Paper 1 - Spiking - Police Scotland Crime Response

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Annex E: Paper 2 - SPA Forensic Services Drug Testing Strips

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Annex G: Police Scotland Spiking Information Toolkit

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): [20211222police-scotland-annexe-a-and-b--for-spiking-session.pdf \(parliament.scot\)](#)]

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Annex H: Sources of Support

- In a medical emergency (loss of consciousness; serious, long-lasting disorientation or inability to communicate; significantly and sustained increased heart rate or chest pain) – call 999
- [Sexual Assault Referral Centre \(Archway\)](#)
Phone: 0141 211 8175
Offers forensic examinations, testing for infections and emotional support. It can also store forensic samples to give you time to decide if you want to involve the police. This service is for anyone over 13 who has been raped or sexually assaulted in Greater Glasgow in the last 7 days.
- [Rape Crisis Scotland](#)
Phone: National Helpline on 08088 01 03 02 (6pm to midnight, 7 days a week)
Provides a rape crisis helpline and email support for anyone affected by sexual violence. They can also put you in touch with local rape crisis centres or other services for ongoing support.
- [Victim Support Scotland](#)
Phone: 0800 160 1985 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm)
Provides information and support for victims of crime.
- [Scotland's Domestic Abuse and Forced Marriage Helpline](#)
0800 027 1234 (24 hour service)
Provides confidential information and support to anyone affected by forced marriage or domestic abuse.
- [Scottish Women's Aid](#)
Phone: 0131 226 6606
Provides advice, support and safe accommodation for women (and their children) who have been abused by their partner or ex-partner. They can recommend local groups.
- [Eighteen and Under](#)
Phone: 0800 731 40 80 (weekdays 9am to 5pm)
Confidential support and information for anyone under the age of 18 who has experienced sexual, physical or emotional abuse.
- [Scottish Women's Rights Centre](#)
Helpline for across Scotland: 08088 010 789 (Monday 2pm to 5 pm, Tuesday 6pm to 8pm, Wednesday 11am to 2pm, Friday 10am to 1pm)
Free legal help for women affected by violence, such as [domestic abuse](#), [rape](#), [stalking](#), [forced marriage](#) and [human trafficking](#). Phone the helpline or book an appointment for one of the surgeries in Dundee, Edinburgh, Forth Valley, Glasgow, Inverness, Lanarkshire.

Sources of Information:

- Bystander Intervention Resources: Hollaback! End Harassment (ihollaback.org)

Sources of Training:

- Hollaback! Free Bystander Intervention Training (ihollaback.org)
- Training – [Sexism-free Night training](#)

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When	Date: Wednesday 29 June 2022 Time: 09:00 to 10:30
Where	Microsoft Teams meeting [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Who	A range of stakeholders, from victims organisations, prosecution, policing, higher education, community safety, VAWG, night time economy, and major events/festivals
Why	To understand the progress made on the position across Scottish Government and Public Sector response to incidents of spiking, following initial roundtable discussion on 04 November 2021, and its follow up on 08 December.
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ITEM 2	Update from Police Scotland (10 Mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
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ITEM 3	Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities (5 – 10 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
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ITEM 4	Health Services [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue/ background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
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Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] CMO Taskforce

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ITEM 5	Next Steps Roundtable Discussion (45-60 mins)
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Current Positions/Background on Agenda Items

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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RECENT PQS

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[Written question and answer: S6W-08095 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-08094 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-07437 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-06448 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-05358 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-04083 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03941 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6T-00222 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03860 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03859 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03862 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[Written question and answer: S6W-03861 | Scottish Parliament Website \]](#)

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Outcomes from Discussion Roundtable 04 November 2021

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Outcomes from Discussion Roundtable 08 December 2021

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Biographies

Key Speakers

POLICE SCOTLAND

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

VICTIMS ORGANISATIONS

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

HEALTH

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

NIGHT TIME INDUSTRIES AND HOSPITALITY

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

LOCAL AUTHORITY AND LICENSING

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

MAJOR EVENTS

[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

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4. Background

On 4th November the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans, and Minister for Higher and Further Education held a Roundtable event to discuss the issue of drug and drink spiking. A further Roundtable was held on 8th December. Summary of both of these discussions can be found in **Annex A**.

Spiking engages interests across a number of areas including; victims organisations, violence against women and girls policy, policing, prosecution, health, higher and further education, community safety initiatives, and the night time economy.

The Roundtable's objective is to better understand the prevalence and establish progress made on the position across Scottish Government and public sector response to incidents of spiking, following the initial roundtable discussion on 4th November 2021.

The Scottish Government is committed to the Equally Safe Strategy, jointly owned with COSLA, which focusses on the prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls and tackling the underlying attitudes that perpetuate it.

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5. High Level Summaries of Presentations:

Police Scotland:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Equally Safe in Universities

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Major Events:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Best Bar None:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Health Services

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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6. Wider Discussions

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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7. Actions

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Annex A: Summary of Previous Roundtable Discussions

Outcomes from Discussion Roundtable 04 November 2021

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Annex B: Police Scotland

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Annex C: Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

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Annex D: NHS24

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Annex E: Universities Scotland

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Annex F: Scottish Hospitality Group

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Annex G: Crew 2000 Scotland

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Annex H: Spike Aware UK

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Annex I: Police Scotland Spiking Information Toolkit

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Relevant campaign messaging

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[20211222police-scotland-annexe-a-and-b--for-spiking-session.pdf \(parliament.scot\)](#)]

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Annex J: Sources of Support

- In a medical emergency (loss of consciousness; serious, long-lasting disorientation or inability to communicate; significantly and sustained increased heart rate or chest pain) – call 999
- [Sexual Assault Referral Centre \(Archway\)](#)
Phone: 0141 211 8175
Offers forensic examinations, testing for infections and emotional support. It can also store forensic samples to give you time to decide if you want to involve the police. This service is for anyone over 13 who has been raped or sexually assaulted in Greater Glasgow in the last 7 days.
- [Rape Crisis Scotland](#)
Phone: National Helpline on 08088 01 03 02 (6pm to midnight, 7 days a week)
Provides a rape crisis helpline and email support for anyone affected by sexual violence. They can also put you in touch with local rape crisis centres or other services for ongoing support.
- [Victim Support Scotland](#)
Phone: 0800 160 1985 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 8pm)
Provides information and support for victims of crime.
- [Scotland's Domestic Abuse and Forced Marriage Helpline](#)
0800 027 1234 (24 hour service)
Provides confidential information and support to anyone affected by forced marriage or domestic abuse.
- [Scottish Women's Aid](#)
Phone: 0131 226 6606
Provides advice, support and safe accommodation for women (and their children) who have been abused by their partner or ex-partner. They can recommend local groups.
- [Eighteen and Under](#)
Phone: 0800 731 40 80 (weekdays 9am to 5pm)
Confidential support and information for anyone under the age of 18 who has experienced sexual, physical or emotional abuse.
- [Scottish Women's Rights Centre](#)
Helpline for across Scotland: 08088 010 789 (Monday 2pm to 5 pm, Tuesday 6pm to 8pm, Wednesday 11am to 2pm, Friday 10am to 1pm)
Free legal help for women affected by violence, such as [domestic abuse](#), [rape](#), [stalking](#), [forced marriage](#) and [human trafficking](#). Phone the helpline or book an appointment for one of the surgeries in Dundee, Edinburgh, Forth Valley, Glasgow, Inverness, Lanarkshire.

Sources of Information:

- Bystander Intervention Resources: Hollaback! End Harassment (ihollaback.org)

Sources of Training:

- Hollaback! Free Bystander Intervention Training (ihollaback.org)
- Training – [Sexism-free Night training](#)

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What	Follow-up Roundtable discussion, with key partners today to steer the joint Scottish Government and Public Sector response to the act of spiking.
When	Date: Thursday 8 th September 2022 Time: 13:00 to 14:30
Where	Microsoft Teams meeting [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Who	A range of stakeholders, from victims organisations, prosecution, policing, higher education, community safety, VAWG, night time economy, and major events/festivals. In addition, and following correspondence with the Minister for Community Safety, a representative from Diageo will also be in attendance.
Why	To understand the progress made on the position across Scottish Government and Public Sector response to incidents of spiking. The previous Roundtable was held on 29 June 2022 and it was agreed that a further meeting in advance of students returning to University would be helpful.
Supporting officials	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - VAWG Justice Unit [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – VAWG Justice Unit [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Team Leader - Violence Reduction Policy [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – Safer Communities Division [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Team Leader Equalities and Student Wellbeing [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Senior Policy Manager Equalities and Student Wellbeing
Agenda	[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available): Engagement discussing Spiking: FOI release - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)]

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Main Objective	<p>To allow the Scottish Government and its partners to better understand the continued prevalence of this issue, discuss outcomes of the previous roundtable discussion, what work has been undertaken so far, if any conclusions have been reached, and to further meet its objectives for the VAWG agenda.</p> <p>To consider where any continued actions on this issue can be supported and delivered through the established networks and work to tackle Violence Against Women and Girls and ensure safer spaces.</p>
Media/ Social Media	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Briefing contents	<p>Annex A – Top Lines Annex B – Recent Parliamentary Questions Annex C – Summary of discussion from Roundtable 29 June 2022 Annex D – Memo from Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans to Chief Medical Officer Annex E- SCD and PPCW, Police Scotland written update for Scottish Government Round Table on 8th September 2022 Annex F - Spiking Communications Toolkit</p>

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ITEM 1	Introduction from the Minister (5 mins)
Opening Remarks	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact Point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Team Leader

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ITEM 2	Update from Health (5-10 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] CMO Taskforce

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ITEM 3	Update from Police Scotland – (5-10 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Team Leader

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ITEM 4	Update from Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities (5-10 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] - Equalities and Student Wellbeing Divisions

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ITEM 5	Update from Scottish Hospitality Sector (5-10 mins) [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Team Leader

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ITEM 6	Next Steps Roundtable Discussion (45-60 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Contact point	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – Violence Against Women and Girls Justice Team Leader

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TOP LINES

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[Written question and answer: S6T-00222 | Scottish Parliament Website \]](#)

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Summary of discussions from Roundtable 29 June 2022

Police Scotland:

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Equally Safe in Universities:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Major Events:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Best Bar None:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Health Services:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Wider Discussions:

- [REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Memo from Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans to Chief Medical Officer

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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SCD and PPCW, POLICE SCOTLAND

Written Update for Scottish Government Round Table on 8th September 2022

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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8. SPIKING COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[20211222police-scotland-annexe-a-and-b--for-spiking-session.pdf \(parliament.scot\)](#)]

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Background

On 4th November 2021 the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans, and Minister for Higher and Further Education held a Roundtable event to discuss the issue of drug and drink spiking.

Further Roundtables were held throughout 2022. A summary of discussion from the previous Roundtable on 29th June 2022 can be found at [ANNEX A](#).

Spiking engages interests across a number of areas including; victims organisations, violence against women and girls policy, policing, prosecution, health, higher and further education, community safety initiatives, and the night time economy.

The Roundtable's objective is to better understand the prevalence and establish progress made on the position across Scottish Government and public sector response to incidents of spiking, following the initial roundtable discussion on 4th November 2021.

The Scottish Government is committed to the Equally Safe Strategy, jointly owned with COSLA, which focusses on the prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls and tackling the underlying attitudes that perpetuate it.

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Actions

Actions arising from 29th June Roundtable

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Actions arising from 8th September Roundtable

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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ANNEX A: Summary of Discussion from 29 June 2022 Roundtable

Police Scotland:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Equally Safe in Universities

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Major Events:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Best Bar None:

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Health Services

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Wider Discussions

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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ANNEX B: Police Scotland

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ANNEX C: Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

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ANNEX D: Health Services

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ANNEX E: Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities

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ANNEX F: Scottish Hospitality Group / NTIA

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Minister for Victims and Community Safety – Engagement Briefing

Key message	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
What (minister’s role)	Chair, further Roundtable discussion, with key partners today to steer the joint Scottish Government and Public Sector response to the act of spiking.
Why	To understand the progress made on the position across Scottish Government and Public Sector response to incidents of spiking and to consider what additional action may be required to increase vigilance during the summer and festival period; and prior to students returning to university in September. The previous Roundtable was held on 8 September 2022. See Annex D for summary of discussions.
Who	A range of stakeholders, from victims organisations, health, policing, higher education, community safety, VAWG, and night time economy.
Where	Microsoft Teams meeting [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]
When	Date: Thursday 29 th June 2023 Time: 9.30 am – 11.30 am
Agenda/likely themes	See Annex A for Agenda
Media	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Supporting officials	[REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] VAWG Justice, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] VAWG Justice, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)]

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Attached documents	<p>ANNEX A – Agenda and summary</p> <p>ANNEX B – Engagement Briefing</p> <p>ANNEX C – Background and top lines</p> <p>ANNEX D – Summary of discussion from 8 Sept 2022 Roundtable</p> <p>ANNEX E – Recent PQs and activity relating to Spiking</p> <p>ANNEX F – Copy of recent response to further consideration of Petition PE1995</p> <p>ANNEX G – Police Scotland – Spiking Communication Toolkit</p> <p>ANNEX H – Extract from Home Affairs Committee, 14 June 2023</p>	<p>Page 3</p> <p>Pages 4 – 9</p> <p>Pages 10 – 13</p> <p>Pages 14 – 20</p> <p>Pages 21 – 22</p> <p>Pages 23 – 25</p> <p>Pages 26 – 32</p> <p>Page 33</p>
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Agenda

- 1. Welcome and introduction from Minister**
- 2. Updates from partners**
 - Police Scotland
 - Scottish Violence Reduction Unit
 - Retailers Against Crime (Best Bar None)
 - Night Time Industries Association
 - Opportunity for others to provide updates
- 3. Recent Scottish Parliament interest – update and discussion**
- 4. Discussion following recent media reports on spiking – [REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]**
- 5. AOB and Next steps – [REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]**

Summary

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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ANNEX B

Engagement Briefing

ITEM 1 (9.30 – 9.40)	Introduction from the Minister (5-10 mins)
Opening Remarks	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

ITEM 2 (9.40 – 10.40)	Update from partners (45-60 mins total)
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
(9.40 – 9.50)	Police Scotland, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] (10 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
(9.50 – 10.00)	Scottish Violence Reduction Unit (SVRU), Police Scotland, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] (10 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
(10.00 – 10.10)	Retailers Against Crime, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] (10 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
(10.10 – 10.20)	Night Time Industries Association (NTIA), [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] (10 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
(10.20 – 10.40)	Opportunity for others to provide updates (10-20 mins)
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

ITEM 3 (10.40 – 10.55)	Recent Scottish Parliament interest, [REDACTED: section 38(1)(b) (personal information)] – update and discussion (15 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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ITEM 4 (10.55 – 11.20)	Group Discussion – All (25 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

ITEM 5	AOB / Next Steps (10 mins)
Issue / Background	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]
Key Message(s)	[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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Background / Top Lines

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

Summary of discussion from 8 September 2022 Roundtable

SCD and PPCW, POLICE SCOTLAND - Written Update for Scottish Government
Round Table on 8th September 2022

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities

- [REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Scottish Hospitality Group / NTIA

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

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Recent PQs and activity relating to Spiking

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[S6W-14201](#)

[S6W-14202](#)

[S6W-14203](#)

[S6W-14204](#)

[S6W-14205](#)

[S6W-14206](#)

[S6W-14207](#)

[S6W-14208](#)

[S6W-14209](#)

[S6W-14210](#)

[Written question and answer: S6T-01368 | Scottish Parliament Website](#)

[PE1995 Improve support for victims of spiking | Scottish Parliament Website \]](#)

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(i) (free and frank provision of advice)]

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ANNEX F

**[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):
[pe1995_c.pdf \(parliament.scot\)](#)]**

9. SPIKING COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT

[REDACTED - section 25 (information otherwise available):

[20211222police-scotland-annexe-a-and-b--for-spiking-session.pdf \(parliament.scot\) \]](#)

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ANNEX H

Home Affairs Committee

Oral evidence: Work of the Home Secretary, HC 201

Wednesday 14 June 2023

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Background

On 4th November 2021 the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Veterans, and Minister for Higher and Further Education held a Roundtable event to discuss the issue of drug and drink spiking.

Further Roundtables were held throughout 2022. A summary of discussion from the previous Roundtable on 8 September 2022 can be found at [ANNEX A](#).

Spiking engages interests across a number of areas including; victims' organisations, violence against women and girls policy, policing, prosecution, health, higher and further education, community safety initiatives, and the night time economy.

The Roundtable's objective is to discuss and better understand the structure and prevalence of spiking in Scotland and to ensure that the Scottish Government and public sector response is robust and effective. It is considered vitally important that partners continue to meet on a regular basis to ensure that collective efforts to tackle incidents of spiking remain coordinated and effective; and that we consider what more we could and should be doing as part of our wider policy commitment.

The Scottish Government is committed to the Equally Safe Strategy, jointly owned with COSLA, which focusses on the prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls and tackling the underlying attitudes that perpetuate it.

Following recent media reports on spiking a further Roundtable was scheduled for 29 June 2023 to meet with partners and consider what additional action may be required to increase vigilance during the summer and festival period; and prior to students returning to university in September. Reports highlighted incidents of spiking at UK festivals, including a potential new danger of "vape spiking".

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ANNEX A: Summary of Discussion from 8 September 2022 Roundtable

**SCD and PPCW, POLICE SCOTLAND - Written Update for Scottish Government
Round Table on 8th September 2022**

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Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

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Equally Safe in Colleges and Universities

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Scottish Hospitality Group / NTIA

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ANNEX B: Written / Oral Updates from Partners – 29 June 2023 Roundtable

Police Scotland

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Scottish Violence Reduction Unit (SVRU)

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Retailers Against Crime – Best Bar None Scheme

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Night Time Industries Association (NTIA)

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Universities / Education Sector

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Spike Aware UK

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Visit Scotland

[REDACTED: section 30(b)(ii) (free and frank exchange of views)]

Crew 2000

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Health Sector

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ANNEX C: Recent Scottish Parliament interest

Roundtable Members were informed about recent Scottish Parliament interest which includes a live petition and a suggested Member's Bill.

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ANNEX D: AOB and Next Steps

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