

**THE SCOTTISH LEGAL AID BOARD**  
**MEETING TO BE HELD AT 1.30PM ON MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2005**  
**AT 44 DRUMSHEUGH GARDENS, EDINBURGH**

**AGENDA**

**LUNCH 12.30-1.30**

1. Apologies for absence
  2. Declaration of interests
  3. Minute of Board meeting held on 7 November 2005
  4. Minute of the Legal Services Committee of 24 October 2005
  5. Minute of the Legal Services Sub-Committee of 24 October 2005
  6. Chief Executive's Update – paper SLAB/2005/59 - to follow 13.40-13.55
  7. Policy Research programme – report by Colin Lancaster, Head of Policy and Planning – paper SLAB/2005/60 – attached 13.55-14.10
  8. Part V update - report by Colin Lancaster – paper SLAB/2005/61 - attached 14.10-14.25
  9. Civil legal aid reform: Report to Ministers: 14.25-15.25
    - Solicitors' knowledge of and attitudes towards civil legal aid reform – report by Colin Sim, Manager, Communications– paper SLAB/2005/62 - attached and presentation by Margaret Frazer, Associate Director, MORI Scotland, with question and answer session.
    - Trends in Supply of Civil Legal Assistance – report by Colin Lancaster, Head of Policy and Planning – paper SLAB/2005/63 – attached
    - Draft report to Ministers – Key Themes – report by Marie-Louise Fox, Legal and Policy Support to Chief Executive- paper SLAB/2005/64 – attached
  10. Civil legal aid performance update – report by Andrew Menzies, Director of Corporate Services and Accounts – paper SLAB/2005/65 – to follow 15.25-15.40
  11. PDSO update – report by Matthew Auchincloss, Director PDSO – paper SLAB/2005/66 – attached 15.40-15.55
  12. PDSO: issues with the justice system – report by Matthew Auchincloss – paper SLAB/2005/67 – attached 15.55-16.10
  13. Chairman's Report 16.10
  14. Date of next meeting: Monday 6 February 2006
- Items for information:**  
Meetings with outside bodies – paper SLAB/2005/68

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