



News Release

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PPS PUBLISHES ITS ANNUAL REPORT AND RESOURCE ACCOUNTS 2012-13

The Public Prosecution Service for Northern Ireland (PPS) today published its 2012 – 13 Annual Report and Resource Accounts.

The report provides an overview of PPS's work during the financial year together with a summary of progress made against the objectives set out in the PPS Annual Business Plan for 2012-13.

It also sets out the details of PPS expenditure and financial position at the end of the year and includes forewords by both the Attorney General for Northern Ireland, John Larkin QC and the Advocate General for Northern Ireland, the Rt. Hon. Dominic Grieve QC MP.

Notes to Editors

A copy of the Annual Report and Resource Accounts 2012-13 is available via the PPS website at www.ppsni.gov.uk

Since the devolution of policing and justice to the Northern Ireland Assembly in April 2010, the PPS has been designated as a non-ministerial government department. Funding for PPS is provided by the Assembly.

As Accounting Officer, The Director of Public Prosecutions is responsible for ensuring that the public monies provided are used efficiently and effectively. All members of staff are Northern Ireland Civil Servants.

This is the third PPS Annual Report and Resource Accounts to be published since the PPS became a non-ministerial department. Its resource expenditure up to 2009-10 was reported within the Resource Accounts of the Northern Ireland Office.

In May 2012, as part of the devolved justice arrangements, John Larkin QC, was appointed the Attorney General for Northern Ireland. The Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 provides for the Director and the Attorney General to consult with each other on any matter for which the Attorney General is accountable to the Northern Ireland Assembly.

At present a number of prosecutorial matters are reserved to Parliament at Westminster. Duties in respect of these matters are performed by the Advocate General for Northern Ireland, the Rt. Hon. Dominic Grieve QC MP, who is the Attorney General for England and Wales.

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