

Agenda – Seminar Three



• 1000

Welcome and Introduction

• 1020

Session 1 – International Cooperation

1115

Tea / Coffee



• 1140

Session 2 – International Cooperation (cont.)

• 1300

Lunch



1400

Session 3 – The Significance of Marper

1515

Tea/ coffee



1615

Session 4 – Initial reactions to "Keeping the Right People on the NDNAD"

Aims, Outcome and Process





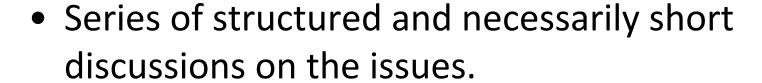




- Four expert meetings:
 - Integrity and integration (January)
 - Evidence and assessment (March)
 - Internationalisation and exchange (May)
 - Testing with international experts the outcomes of the first three events against, as far as may be practicably foreseen, the parameters of the restricted 'margin of appreciation' applicable to forensic bioinformation (July)

Aims:

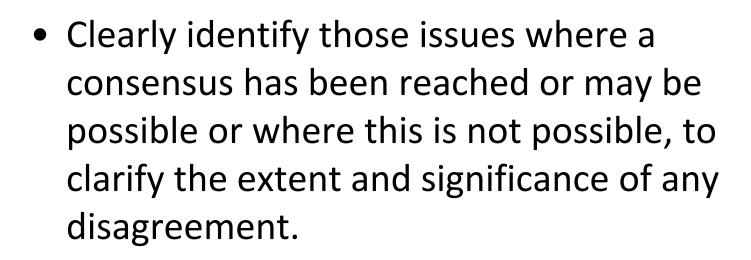






 Maximum participation by all in identifying the options for resolving each issue, relevant sources of data and precedents.







Aims, Outcome and Process









- Record of meetings (not verbatim) on the project website (recording – Chatham House Rules)
- Comments on those records as statements of amplification, support and dissent together with suggested areas for research or further consideration – on the project website (authorship can be identified or anonymous)
- A final record of this process –a description of the possible parameters – both as a publication to mark the end of this project and hopefully a waymark for others grappling with the issues

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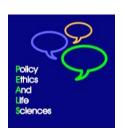


- Outcome will not be Volume II of Nuffield Council on Bioethics – but complementary – and informed by that report and continuity of involvement
- It is not intended as a reaction to 'Marper'
 judgement but hopefully the project is
 timely now that the law is to be clarified
- This seminar is not an occasion when participants' need to state opinions for the record or be bound by the ideas they simply want to test.

Please remember:







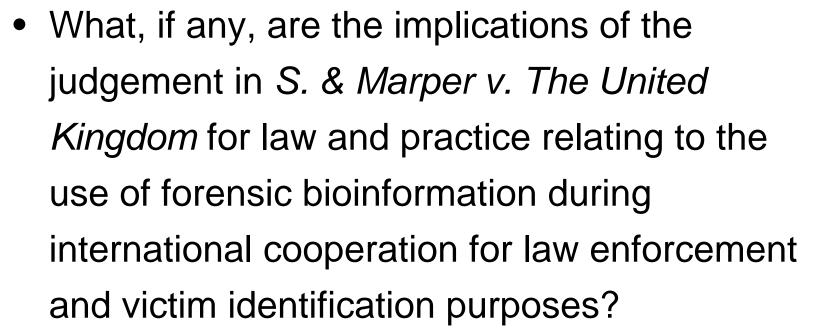


- There is a great deal of ground to cover
- Important that all viewpoints and views are captured for the record
- Need to stick to the agenda and the key issues within that agenda
- Opportunity for reflection, comment and suggestions via the website
- The organisers have never done anything so ambitious before and your help is greatly appreciated.



















There have been critical examinations of the reliance that investigators and courts can place on forensic science within the UK and the USA. These have resulted, respectively, in the appointment of the Forensic Science Regulator and the National Research Council's (NRC) report. Should these internal concerns encourage similar questions about the reliability of forensic bioinformation, or the validity of its use, when it has been received from other jurisdictions or via intra-state channels where there may not have been a similar degree of critical review?









 Also, congruent with an important theme from the second seminar, is there a risk of treating forensic bioinformation exchange issues in isolation from understanding how its significance may change at different stages of an investigation, the need for effective integration with other intelligence or evidence and the effect this may have on the assessment of its value to the outcome of an investigation?







