



**HEDDLU
GOGLEDD CYMRU
NORTH WALES
POLICE**

Response Date: 19/01/2024

2024/071 - Digital forensic activities

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

- Please provide the role title, department title and total number (count) of all roles dedicated to digital forensic activities within your organisation?**

Post Long Desc	Planned Strength	Emp FTE
CS DFU DETECTIVE SERGEANT	1.00	1.00
CS DFU CONSTABLE	5.00	3.00
CS MOBILE DEVICE EXTRACTION CONSTABLE	1.00	1.00
CS VICTIM IDENTIFICATION CONSTABLE	1.00	1.00
CS DFU ADMINISTRATOR	1.00	1.00
CS DFU TECHNICAL MANAGER	1.00	1.00
CS DFU CRIME INVESTIGATOR	6.00	6.00
CS DFU TECHNICIAN (VIDEO)	3.00	3.00
CS DFU CRIME TECHNICIAN	2.00	2.00
CS DFU CRIME TECHNICAL MANAGER	1.00	1.00
CS MOBILE DEVICE EXTRACTION TECHNICIAN	3.00	3.00
CS DIGITAL FORENSICS UNIT (DFU) MANAGER	1.00	1.00
CS DFU SPECIALIST TEAM MANAGER	1.00	1.00

Above planned strength is what should be in place and the FTE is what we currently have in place, not including sickness etc.

- How many digital devices were submitted to departments who's main function is digital forensic activity over the past 12 months? In your response, please provide the name of the department(s) alongside the total number.**

2630 Digital Forensic Unit

- Of the submitted devices listed in your above response:**
 - how many are submitted as mobile phone or tablet type devices?**

1964

b. how many are submitted as computer or laptop type devices?

303

c. how many are submitted as separate data storage devices, such as HDD, USB, memory card?

363

In your response please only include submitted devices and do not include associated sub-exhibits found within a submitted device during Forensic Science Activity.

4. How many digital device examinations are completed by departments who's main function is digital forensic activity each month for the past 12 months?

1912

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5. How many digital devices are currently awaiting examination in your main digital forensic unit(s)? In your response please provide the date that the data was generated.

718 as of 18/01/2024

6. How many digital devices were awaiting examination in your main digital forensic unit(s) 3 months prior to the date provided in question 5?

600

7. How many digital devices were awaiting examination in your main digital forensic unit(s) 6 months prior to the date provided in question 5?

268

8. Where present within your organisation, how many digital devices are submitted to 'frontline' digital forensic capability such as mobile 'kiosk' over the past 12 months?

0 NWP Do not use Kiosks

9. Where present within your organisation, how many digital devices examinations are completed by frontline digital forensic capability such as mobile 'kiosk' over the past 12 months?

0 NWP Do not use Kiosks

10. Over the past 12 months, how many digital devices have been sent to an external contractor for digital forensic activities by your organisation?

0 Did not outsource 2023

11. Do you have a contract in place with an external digital forensic provider for the provision of digital forensic services?

Yes

- 12. If you have answered 'yes' to the previous question, please provide the following details:**
- a. The name of all external digital forensic providers you contract with.**

Sytech

- b. The start and end date of the contract.**

14/12/2016 – 30/09/2025

- c. The contracting mechanisms you used.**

Direct via force procurement

- 13. Do you hold accreditation to ISO/IEC 17025, FSR Codes and ILAC G19 for digital forensic activities?**

Yes

- 14. Are you intending to undertake any extensions to scope of you accreditation within the next 12 months? If so, please provide details of proposed scope?**

Yes Mobile Device Extraction, Processing and Apple Device Extraction

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