

MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

PUBLIC SAFETY INDUSTRY REFERENCE COMMITTEE

25 August 2020

Meeting Overview

- Meeting held via video conference
- Industry Updates
- Training Package Updates
- IRC Skills Forecast update
- Meeting Outcomes

Industry Updates

- AIS COO outlined the extension to the SSO funding agreement and thanked IRC members for their efforts and commitment to the IRC
- The IRC discussed the impact COVID-19 has had on the industry and discussed how the IRC could assist by identifying critical skill needs
- There are reviews into the handling of COVID-19 and the Bushfire Royal Commission which will impact the industry

Training Package Updates

- Defence Skills Release 3.0 – Defence Chaplaincy, Range Control, Sensor Operations, Explosive Ordnance Skills and Military Justice System – was submitted and approved by AISC in August. Waiting for endorsement.
- Defence Skills Release 4.0 – Defence Evaluations, Simulator Maintenance & Work, Health and Safety is at Quality Assurance stage and is on schedule for submission to AISC in October
- Police Crash Investigation and Analysis - this project is ahead of schedule with the CfE currently with ANZPAA for final review and letter for support
- Police Protection and Search and Rescue Case for Change (CfC) – a CfC for these two projects was approved for development by the AISC on 12 August
- SES-Tree Safety Project – PUA Public Safety Training Package, Release 2 has been completed and submitted to ASIC for the October meeting
- Fire and Emergency Aviation and Emergency Management are concluding the validation consultation phase

IRC Skills Forecast update

- AIS led a discussion utilising a brief which had been compiled on recent trends and innovations in the industry. The aim of the brief was to assist with establishing the focus of the Skills Forecast. It should be noted there are several action items which IRC members are seeking feedback or additional information from their sectors on, which may become future project work for SF.

Meeting Outcomes

- AIS to distribute HLT Units of Competency (UoC) when endorsed and published and share information with the IRC so an informed decision can be made regarding revising or replacing the PUAEME UoC
- Agenda item on Emergency Management professionalisation to be re-tabled for IRC discussion at future meeting
- AIS to progress Emergency Tree Operations, Alpine Search and Survival Operations and PUA60919 Advanced Diploma of Public Safety (Fire Investigation) for 2021 Skills Forecast
- Additional feedback from IRC sectors may result in further project work for SF

Next IRC meeting scheduled for 26 November