

Fife Rights Forum - Procedure and User Guide

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FIFE RIGHTS FORUM PROCEDURE

<u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this Procedure is to outline Ore Valley Housing Association's involvement in The Fife Rights Forum, the Forum's purpose, office procedures and system procedures.

Fife Rights Forum

Fife Rights Forum is the umbrella body for Fife's advice and rights agencies. The remit of Fife Rights Forum includes helping to improve the quality of advice services, promoting co-operation between agencies and increasing community involvement across the sector. The Forum has a co-ordinator. The Forum meets every quarter for networking and information sharing and elects an executive, which guides the development of the forum.

The Fife Rights Forum Referral and Signposting Partnership is a system designed to improve the procedures for the signposting and referral of clients between services.

A protocol has been signed between Ore Valley Housing Association and Fife Rights Forum. This, along with the receipt books, cards and other necessary information is in File - 16.22

Procedures

Within the office there are two types of users. There are Points of Contact and Referrers. At time of writing the office details are as follows:

Points of Contact

Kerry McLeod, Corporate Support Manager Colin McInnes, Housing Management Team Leader

Referrers

Kerry McLeod, Corporate Support Manager Colin McInnes, Housing Management Team Leader Karen Burt, Housing Officer Vicky Murdoch, Community Development Officer

Each member of staff has been provided with a password to access the system. Instructions of negotiating through the system follow this procedure note in the User Guide.

Attention must be given to ensure that the client receives a receipt from the Consent Form, if they are passed through the Fife Rights Forum system. Or if the service provider cannot receive on line referrals, a card will be given to the client with all the contact details of the service provider for the client to contact on their own.

Both Housing Management Team Leader and Officer have their own receipt books and there is one in the file for the office.

USER GUIDE



Instruction manual V 1 - Fife Online Referral Tracking System

Live referral site http://referrals.fiferightsforum.org
Training referral site http://training.fiferightsforum.org

Who Can I refer to http://www.fiferightsforum.org/datasharing

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1. Introduction

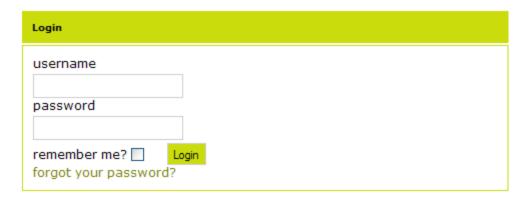
The Fife Online Referral Tracking System (FORT herein) provides an online interface for the creation and tracking of referrals between organisations on the system. This manual begins by explaining the common features available to all users of FORT and goes on to detail the abilities of different user types in subsequent chapters.

2. General

This section provides information for and describes facilities available for all users with the ability to use FORT.

2.1 Logging In

To start using FORT, you must first log in with the username and password assigned to you by an administrator (or in the case of Handlers and Referrers, your Point of Contact). Selecting 'remember me' will store your login details in your browser so that the next time you visit FORT your login details will be pre-entered. Once the details have been entered click 'Login'.



If you have forgotten your password, select the 'forgot your password' link. You will be asked for your registered email address, to which your login details will be sent.



Once you have clicked 'Login' the main home page will appear. From this screen you have the option to either search existing referrals (see Section 2.3) or to click on your relevant user role (Referrer, Point of Contact, Handler) from the menu on the left to be taken to the user control panel.

A log out option is displayed on both the home page and in the menu. It is recommended you do this when you are finished using the system.

2.2 Interface Overview

Upon opening the user control panel each user will be greeted with a series of options. These options will vary depending on user type (Referrer, Point of Contact, Handler).

Points of Contact		
Fife Council LSO Referral Network (edit details) Generic Network (edit me)		
Messages		
Messages	[0]	
Send Message		
Users		
Referrers	[33]	view
Referrers Handlers	[33]	view
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Handlers		view
Handlers		view
Handlers Create Handler / Create Referrer		view
Handlers Create Handler / Create Referrer Incoming Referrals	[0]	view
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Common to all user types is the 'edit me' option which will allow you to change your details (see Section 2.4), the messaging system (see Section 2.5) and the different referral viewing options (explained in overview later in this section, and then in detail in the relevant user type chapter).

Each option for viewing referrals takes the user to a similar list view, the contents of which are dependant on the type of referral selected and the abilities of the presently logged in user.

	Unique Reference v	Referral Date	Assigned Organisation	Referring Organisation	Referral Category	Client First Name	Client Second Name	Client Postcode	Handler	Referrer	Handler Close Request	Close
+	FRF050914-9188EE	14/09/2005	Test Organiastion 2	Fife Council LSO Referral Network		Joe	Macintyre	ky1 1ky	tricia cockburn	Alison Sword (Fife Council LSO Referral Network)	No	No
+	FRF050914-7012RR	14/09/2005	Test Organiastion 2	Fife Council LSO Referral Network	Money Advice	George	bush	ky1 1ky	tricia cockburn	Martha Shields (Fife Council LSO Referral Network)	Yes	No
+	FRF050824-8652JM	24/08/2005		Fife Council LSO Referral Network		IAN	FENTON	KY85JJ		Lynda Robertson (Fife Council LSO Referral Network)	No	No
+	FRF050824-7146AN	24/08/2005		Fife Council LSO Referral Network	health advice	IAN	FENTON	KY85JJ		Lynda Robertson (Fife Council LSO Referral Network)	No	No
+	FRF050824-7038ZK	24/08/2005		Fife Council LSO Referral Network		IAN	FENTON	KY85JJ		Lynda Robertson (Fife Council LSO Referral Network)	No	No

A subsection of details relevant to the type of referral being viewed is presented horizontally, with the column titles at the top of the screen. Column titles in green may be ordered on, those in black may not be ordered on. Clicking on a column title will order entries in the table by that column. Clicking the title again will order the entries in the opposite direction (direction is signified by the '^' and 'v' next to the title).

Example: Referrals ordered chronologically--Earliest dates first

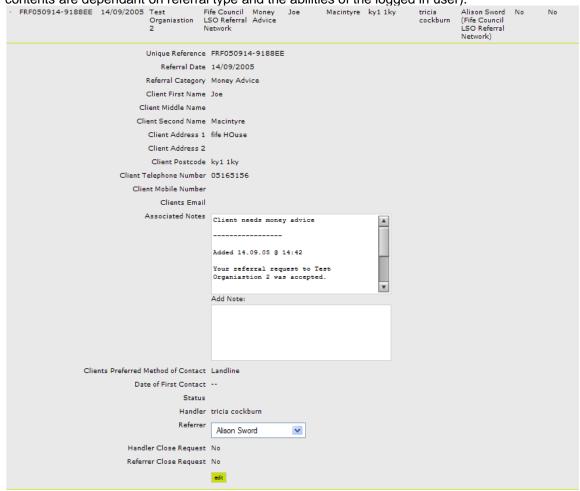
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	Unique Reference	Referral Date ^	Assigned Organisation	Referring Organisation	Referral Category	Client First Name	Client Second Name	Client Postcode	
+	FRF050914- 9188EE	14/09/2005	Test Organisation 2	Fife Council LSO Referral Network	Money Advice	Joe	Macintyre	ky1 1ky	
+	FRF050914- 7012RR	14/09/2005	Test Organisation 2	Fife Council LSO Referral Network	Money Advice	George	bush	ky1 1ky	
+	FRF051006- 8600MR	06/10/2005	Test Organisation 2	Yellow Test Organisation	Money Advice	joe	bloggs		
+	FRF051006- 3105CV	06/10/2005	Test Organisation	Turquoise Test	health advice	Rose	Brunton	k987uk	

Example: Referrals ordered chronologically--Most recent dates first

Active Referrals

Unique Reference	Referral Date v	Assigned Organisation	Referring Organisation	Referral Category	Client First Name	Client Second Name	Client Postcode
+ FRF060222- 5428NK	22/02/2006	Test Organisation 2	Test Organisation1	Money Advice	Pat	Sproul	vfadgfa3
+ FRF051214- 6463ZR	14/12/2005	Test Organisation 2	cornerstone leven	Money Advice	rod	stewart	lv
+ FRF051207- 7228WY	07/12/2005	Test Organisation 2	Test Organisation1	Money Advice	David	CAMERON	KY1 1ky
+ FRF051201- 1653PS	01/12/2005	Test Organisation	Fife Council LSO Referral	Money Advice	Joe	MacIntyre	ky6 3da

Beside each entry is a '+'. By clicking on this, the entry will open to display the full details (again contents are dependant on referral type and the abilities of the logged in user).



Once opened the '+' will change to a '-'. Clicking on the '-' will allow you to close the entry. While the entry is open you will be able to update the details associated with it by clicking the 'edit' button at the bottom.

To return to the main control panel you can either click on your relevant role (Referrer, Point of Contact, Handler) from the menu on the left or click on your browser's back button.

2.3 Searching Referrals

Once logged in you will be presented with the Search Interface. Depending on your user type this will allow you to either search outgoing or incoming referrals associated with your organisation. Referrers will be able to search outgoing referrals while Points of Contact and Handlers will be able to search incoming referrals.



Referrals may be searched by the clients' details, or by the unique reference given when a new referral is created. The search supports partial entry (e.g. searching for "Jo" will bring up results for "John", "Joe" and "Jonathan").

Search Results

37 Re	37 Referrals Found.							
	Unique Reference	Client	Client Postcode	Referring Organisation	Assigned Organisation	Assigned Category	Date Created	
View	FRF050720-1255LY	ü¾ lily flower		Methil local Office	Test Organiastion 2	None.	20.07.2005	
View	FRF050720-9699GL	pat post man	ky1 2an	Methil local Office	Test Organiastion 2	None.	20.07.2005	
View	FRF050720-6868SK	thomas ireland	ky8 1hy	Methil local Office	Buckhaven Local Office	Default	20.07.2005	
View	FRF050720-5942DT	Mick Jagger	KY11111	Buckhaven Local Office	Buckhaven Local Office	Default	20.07.2005	
View	FRF050803-9608ZT	Martin Sheen		Buckhaven Local Office	Methil local Office	Default	03.08.2005	
View	FRF050803-7273MK	Barry White		Buckhaven Local Office	Methil local Office	Default	03.08.2005	
View	FRF050808-9484QF	Ethel Jones	5555555	Buckhaven Local Office	Buckhaven Local Office	Default	08.08.2005	
View	FRF050816-6808CD	Alexander Aitken 22 Aitken Street	555555	Buckhaven Local Office	Buckhaven Local Office	Default	16.08.2005	

Brief details of matching referrals are displayed. Selecting the view option provides extra detail regarding the referral.

Selected Referral



From the detailed view you may add new notes. These will then be presented to the Handler and Referrer associated with the referral when they next view the referral.

2.4 Editing Personal Details

On your control panel, beside your name is a link entitled 'Edit Me'. Selecting this will provide an interface to edit your personal details, and allow you to change the username and password used to log into FORT.

First Name Henry

Second Name Black

Username rhenry

Password rblack

Email Address henryblack@sadd.co.uk

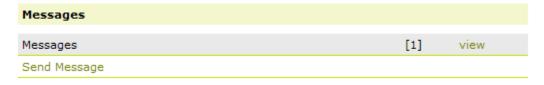
Contact Number 01592 123321

Pressing the edit button will update your details. Username and password changes are effective from the next time you log on.

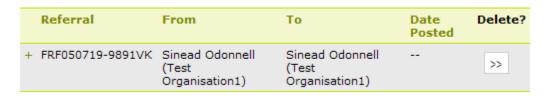
2.5 Messaging System

FORT allows messages to be sent between users regarding any of the referrals associated with them (or in the case of a Point of Contact, their organisation).

The control panel lists the number of incoming messages along with the option to send a new message.

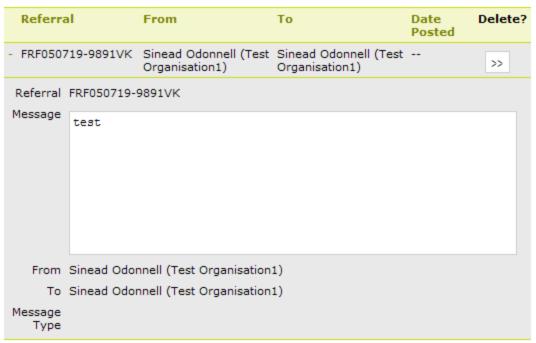


Selecting view will present a list of the current messages in your inbox.



Again the '+' will open a message to be viewed and messages may be ordered in the same manner described previously. There is also a delete open which will remove the message from the system altogether.

Messages



In the same manner as before, selecting the '-' on an open message will close it.

From the control panel the facility to create a new message is available. Messages must be associated with a referral normally accessible to you. Messages can be sent to the referral's Handler, Referrer, or Point of Contact. The options will change depending on the type of user you have logged in as.

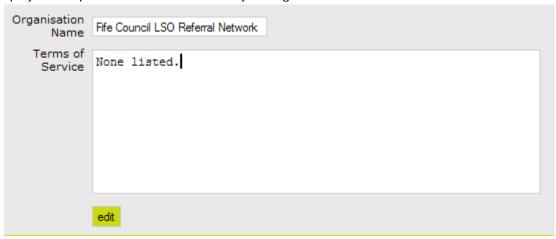
Once the text of the message has been entered press the 'send' button to send the message to the target user. Notification of correspondence is emailed to the target user.

send

3. Points of Contact

3.1 Editing Your Organisation

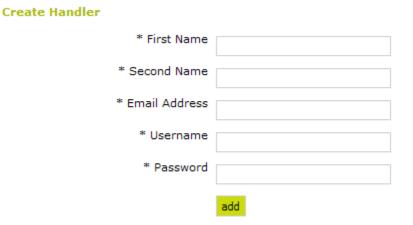
As a Point of Contact you have the ability to edit the details of the organisation that you administer. Selecting 'edit details' beside your organisation's name in the control panel will display a form pre-filled with the details of your organisation.



Once you have edited these select the 'edit' button to make the changes.

3.2 Creating Referrers and Handlers

As Point of Contact you are responsible for creating Referrers and Handlers for your organisation. These users create referrals and handle incoming referrals. To create a Referrer or Handler, select the appropriate option from your control panel. You will be presented with a form that will collect the details of the type of user you wish to create.



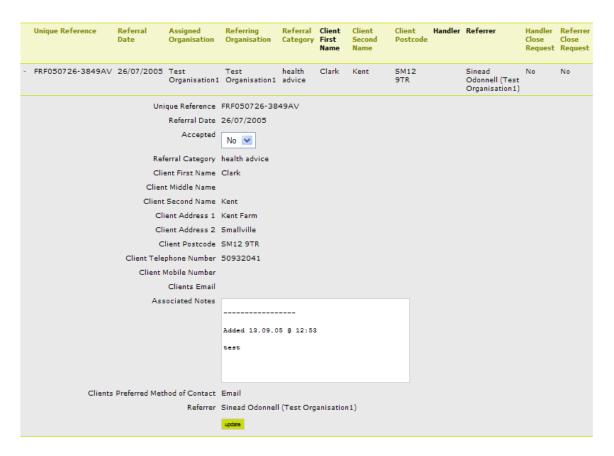
Each user must be given a unique username and a password. These must only contain alphabetic or numeric characters.

3.3 Accepting and Rejecting Referrals

As Point of Contact you are also responsible for accepting and rejecting referrals assigned to your organisation. Referrals awaiting your input must be accepted or rejected to move on to the next step in the referrals process. Referrals awaiting input are listed in the control panel.



Selecting 'view' will display the list of referrals in the standard list view. Opening up the referral will display the basic details of the referral.

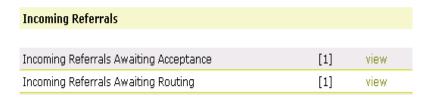


Under the Unique Reference and the date of the referral is a selection box with the title 'Accepted'. By selecting 'Yes' you are accepting the referral and are agreeing to investigate the client's problem. If, for any reason, you decide to reject the referral you should select 'No'. A box will then appear and you will be asked to enter your reasons for not accepting the referral. Once you click the 'reject' button an email containing your reasons for rejecting the referral will be sent to the Referrer.

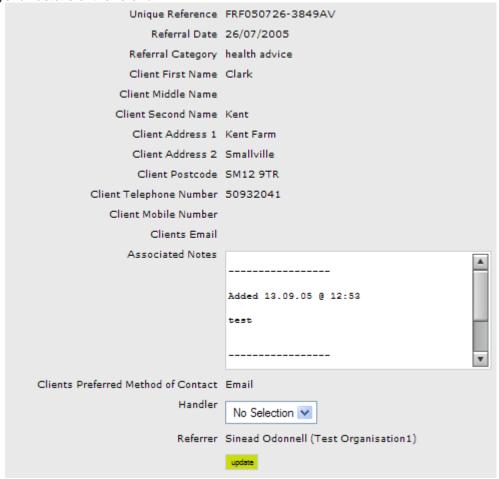


3.4 Routing Referrals

Once a referral has been accepted it will move into the list of 'Incoming Referrals Awaiting Routing'.



The next action is then to route it to one of the referral Handlers within your organisation. As in previous views these details are presented as a list, which when opened using the '+' button displays full details of the referral.

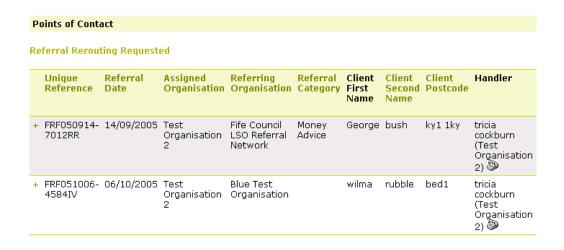


In this instance a drop down select box is made available which will list all handlers associated with the organisation. Selecting a Handler and clicking the 'Update' button will route the referral to that Handler. The Handler will then receive email notification of your selection.

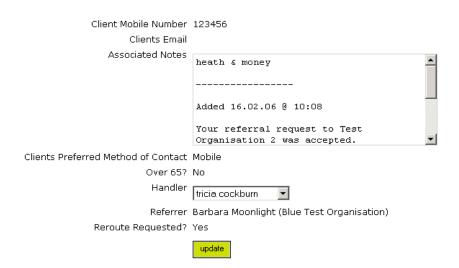
3.5 Rerouting Referrals

In some circumstance a Handler may decide that they are unable to handle a referral assigned to them. In this instance they may request that a referral be rerouted to another Handler.

When this happens you will be notified and the referral will be listed under 'Incoming Referrals Reroute Requested'. Selecting "view' will display all the referrals in the list.



Again the '+' will open the full referral details. You will then be able to either select another Handler, or route the referral back to the same Handler.

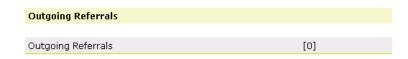


3.6 Viewing Active Referrals

All referrals being handled by your organisation are available for viewing through the 'Current Incoming Referrals' option.

Incoming Referrals		
Incoming Referrals Awaiting Acceptance	[1]	view
Incoming Referrals Awaiting Routing	[0]	
Incoming Referrals ReRoute Requested	[2]	view
Current Incoming Referrals	[16]	view

Further to this all outgoing referrals made by Referrers from your organisation can be viewed by selecting 'Outgoing Referrals'.



3.7 Viewing Logs

All actions by Referrers, Points of Contact and Handlers for your organisation are logged by the system. It is possible to view these logs by selecting the 'View Logs'. This will display details of the latest log entries.



A set of filters are provided to allow you to narrow down log entries to only show the desired log type. Logs may be filtered by date range, action, and even down to the individual fields of the log entry (dependant on the action).



Logs are filtered by pressing the 'Submit Query' button.

4. Referrers

The first stage of the FORT process is the creation of a referral. This is done by a Referrer.

4.1 Creating a Referral

On the main control panel for a Referrer you will find an option to "Create Referral".

Referrals		
Referrals Awaiting Acceptance	[3]	view
Declined Referrals	[1]	view
Active Referrals	[13]	view
Create Referral		

Selecting this will present you with a form requesting the full details of the referral.

* Client First Name	
Client Middle Name	
* Client Second Name	
* Client Address 1	
Client Address 2	
* Client Postcode	
Client Telephone Number	
Client Mobile Number	
Client Email Address	

A series of text boxes request basic details on the person being referred. These details will only be viewable by the Point of Contact at the organisation being referred to, and the associated Handler.

The boxes that are marked with the '*' are required fields. If the client does not have a post code or if the post code is unknown, the 'dummy' post code KY1 1KY may be entered.

Further information is also collected to allow the Handler of the referral to know the best method of contact and when the client should be contacted.



At the foot of the referral form you may select the Organisations to whom the person is going to be referred.



At least one and a maximum of three, organisations may be referred to. A Category may also be assigned to the referral so that the target Organisation knows what matter the person needs help with.

Once the Referral has been created, you will be given a unique reference number for your referrals (or set of referrals).

Your referral has been created.

Results

Your unique reference for these referrals is FRF051003-7784ZU

Please view and print out the terms and conditions for each of the organisations you submitted to.

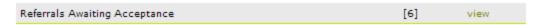
Blue Test Organisation Turquoise Test Organisation

Further to this you will be presented with links to the Terms and Conditions of the Organisations you are referring to. These will appear within a Pop-Up browser window. These should be

printed off and read or given to the client. Only one unique reference is given for all organisations you refer to.

4.2 Viewing Referrals Awaiting Acceptance

All referrals that are made are listed under 'Referrals Awaiting Acceptance' in the control panel. Details of these referrals can be viewed by selecting the 'view' option. Referrals will remain in this section until the Point of Contact in the target organisation either declines or accepts the Referral.



At this point you may still make minor changes to the Referral (editing personal details etc.) and add notes to be viewed by the target organisation. You will receive an email letting you know if a referral has been accepted or rejected.

4.3 Viewing Rejected Referrals

Declined Referrals

When a referral is rejected you will receive an email notifying you of the reason the assigned organisation rejected the referral. A list of referrals that have been declined will be available in the control panel under 'Declined Referrals'. Again details of these referrals can be viewed by selecting the 'view' option.



Further to this, by selecting 'Declined Referrals' you will be able to update any rejected referrals and reassign them to another organisation who may be better placed to deal with the referral. Alternatively you may delete the referral and it will be removed from the system.

Unique Referral **Assigned** Referring Referral Client Client Client Handler Referrer Organisation Organisation Second Postcode Reference Category Name Name FRF060220- 20/02/2006 health KY1 1KY Sinead Test Harry Carry Odonnell (Test 2895XW Organisation 1 advice Organisation1) Unique Reference FRF060220-2895XW Referral Date 20/02/2006 Assigned Organisation No Selection ▼

Harry

Carry

Client First Name

Client Middle Name

Client Second Name

4.4 Viewing Current Referrals

All current referrals are listed under 'Active Referrals'. From here you may monitor any progress made by the Handler or update the referral with any further details.



4.5 Closing a Referral

Once an active referral has been completed either the Referrer or the Handler may request that it be closed. If the Handler requests that the referral be closed the Referrer will receive notification of this. Similarly, if the Referrer requests the closure notification will be sent to the Handler.

To request a referral be closed select the referral from the 'Active Referrals' list and display the full details by clicking on '+'. Near the bottom of the entry is a field 'Referrer Close Request'. Select 'Yes' from the drop down box and then click 'Update'.

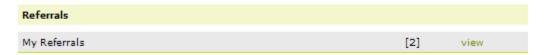


After Referrer and the Handler have **both** agreed to close a referral it is removed from the system.

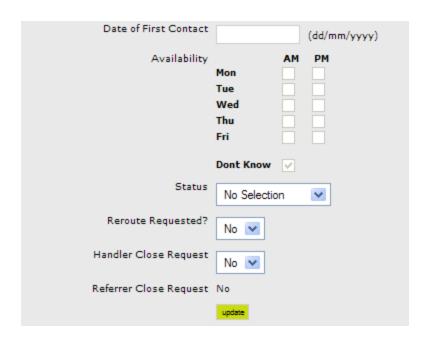
5. Handlers

5.1 Incoming Referrals

The role of a Handler is to deal with and assess incoming referrals assigned to them by their organisation's Point of Contact. Assigned referrals are listed under 'My Referrals' in the Handlers control panel.



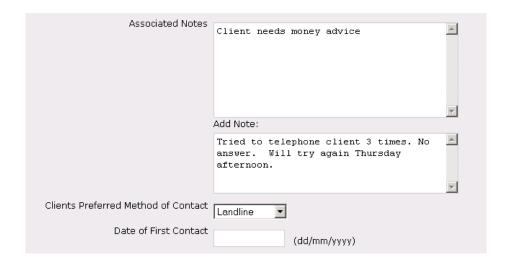
Once selected, a list of currently assigned referrals is displayed. Clicking the '+' will display the full details of the referral. Should you wish to request that the referral is rerouted to another Handler for any reason, selecting 'yes' under the 'Request Re-Route' option and pressing 'Update' will contact the Point of Contact and let them know of your request.



Further to this two fields are displayed that must be filled in to inform the Referrer of the status of the referral. 'Date of First Contact' should reflect the date the client is first contacted by you, the Handler. 'Status' has the option of 'No Selection', 'Client With Us' or 'Client Abandoned'. 'No Selection' is used to indicate that contact with the client has not yet been made. 'Client With Us' indicates that the referral is being processed. 'Client Abandoned' indicates that the referral has been abandoned, in which case it should be closed.

5.2 Updating a Referral

A referral may be updated and new notes added by viewing the full referral details and clicking on the 'Add Note' box.



By clicking 'Update' the new note, along with the date and time that it was entered, will then appear in the 'Associated Notes' box.



The update can then be viewed by any user associated with the referral.

5.3 Closing a Referral

Once an active referral has been completed either the Referrer or the Handler may request that it be closed. If the Referrer requests that the referral be closed the Handler will receive notification of this. Similarly, if the Handler requests the closure, notification will be sent to the Referrer.

To request a referral be closed select the referral from 'My Referrals' list and display the referral details by clicking '+'. Select 'Yes' from the drop down box next to 'Handler Close Request' and click 'Update'.

Once the Handler and the Referrer have **both** agreed to close a referral it is removed from the system.