



## Management Board Meeting

### Community Planning Partnership

### Highlights and Issues Report

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1	Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting
<p><b>‘Arrest Referral Scheme’ (ARS):</b> Pilot and Learning Report. Community Justice Partnership (CJP) is working in partnership with the Alcohol &amp; Drugs Partnership (ADP) to progress activity and build on the learning report. The CJP has created a working group comprising of staff from justice social work, specialist addiction services, adult mental health and Police Scotland. The first working group meeting was held in March, Police Scotland have indicated a national relaunch of the ARS Scheme for May 2024 and will lead on the national model. WD ARS working group members will continue to meet to establish operating protocols and ToR for the group in preparation for the national relaunch. The group will consider data and data analysis in line with CJS targeted resources recommended minimum data sets.</p> <p><b>The ‘Caledonian System’</b> Training is now complete, and referrals have been received from the court. The WSSS now has a full complement of staff and has successfully recruited a children’s worker. The Caledonian Working group has been established and had its first meeting in April. The group comprises: Justice ss/w; C&amp;Fs ss/w; WSSS; CP Lead; Police Scotland PPU; Justice Services manager; CJ Co-ordinator. The group will continue to meet and identify priority areas, outcome improvement areas and data collection/analysis. The group will also be the mechanism for mitigating service generated risk and risk to victims dynamically - amending protocols to reflect the landscape. The group has created a Risk Assessment and Safety Protocol as well as a Standard Operating Protocol for stakeholder partners, development is underway and will be ratified at the CJP, VAWGP and Safe DIG. A ToR for the group is underway.</p> <p><b>CJOIP CJ (Outcome Improvement Plan)</b> The CJ outcome improvement plan is written (draft version), including 5 year trend data analysis, and identifies key priority</p>	

areas for the forth coming year. The plan has been sent to the CJP chair, Chief Officer and Justice Service's manager for scrutiny. The plan will be shared with team leads and an Information & awareness raising session has been confirmed for the end of April to allow for team leads to comment and input into the plan where appropriate.

Working groups have been established (in principle) for the deliverables attached to the CJOIP. There are 9 working groups made up of CJ Partners (Chairs) and operational staff working in the relevant domains. ToR for the groups are underway as well as reporting structures/governance and priority outcomes. These will be scrutinised by the Justice Service Manger before the next CJP meeting and then shared with staff. CJ Co-ordinator will lead on the establishment and development of working group activity.

A '7 minute brief' regarding the CJOIP sent to partners to help them better understand its function and overarching principles.

### **Community Justice Scotland (CJS) Undertakings**

The CJ Co-ordinator had met with WD CJS Improvement Lead to review the CJOIP and data. A copy of the draft CJOIP has been sent for scrutiny and comment.

CJ Co-ordinator has met with Improvement Leads who have been overseeing data collation and analysis. New targeted Resources were shared with justice services team leads and focus sessions held to garner input and comment. Focus session held with CJS to feedback on the documents and support final drafts.

CJS are undertaking a review of Voluntary Throughcare and there have been consultations and information sessions. Awaiting final direction for the National TC service and how this will operate locally. WD have established a Throughcare working group that will identify and work on priority areas identified by an SNSA. ToR, reporting structures, governance and data collection/analysis are being developed for this this group.

CJS and WD CJ are meeting to discuss the CSST and safeguards to ensure the tools fidelity. This will be held at the end of April. The CSST has been send round the CJP, VAWGP, and team leaders for comment and consideration.

### **CJ HSIG LDNA Bill (Scotland)**

As part of CJ Health Improvement activity WD CJ was consulted and asked to comment on the new LDNA Bill as it applies justice services users – the reply was submitted at the end of March.

### **Training; Information & Awareness Raising Sessions; & Trauma Informed Practice**

WD CJ will support training activity in partnership with VAWGP. Trainers from justice services will be part of the Equally Safe Training Subgroup supporting Understanding the Dynamics of Domestic Abuse; The Impact of Domestic Abuse on Children and Young People; Routine Sensitive Enquiry; DASH-Ric and DAAMH Intersectionality Training (Domestic Abuse, Addictions, and Metal Health).

CJ has offered 4 information and awareness raising session for the forth coming year (open to partner stakeholders including Elected Members). This will be held in partnership with: WSSS, CEDAR, CARA, Rape Crisis, DDWA, CBWA, The Caledonian System and Community Justice. Events will be advertised in the next week.

The CJ Co-ordinator is engaging with a TiP TTT event in April to support trauma training for the CJ workforce ensuring we meet our duties for a trauma responsive workforce.

### **Authentic Voices Survey**

The first draft of the survey has been sent round the CJP and team leaders for comment and consideration. The next stage will be to amend with the inclusion and a second draft will be sent round for comment and consideration.

An authentic voices survey exploring the experiences of women who use justice services in WD is being considered. This will be carried out in partnership with the WSSS and the CJ Co-ordinator. Project plan has been sent to WSSS funders who are considering financing this proposal. Links have been made with the Improvement Service; SafeLives; CJS; SPS and WD Legal team to discuss the research proposal and ethics.

**Restorative Justice** SACRO project manager has met with justice team leads and service manager and is now in the process of establishing the Hate Crime RJ project into the locality. SACRO will provide an Information and Awareness Raising Session at the next CJP. Data reporting has still to be established. This activity will be attached to a working group – the ToR is currently under development.

### **SPS**

Introduction meetings have taken place with relevant prisons to establish communication pathways and discuss considerations for custody to community pathways. WD will be part of the pre-release programme where housing and employability will work with WD residents ensuring safe and secure housing and employability opportunities prior to release. MAT standards will also be part of this activity.

## **2 | Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed**

Issues or risk will be identified and assessed in the Strategic Needs and Strengths Assessments, reported to the CJP in the first instance and escalated through governance procedures where appropriate. Management of issues/risk will be identified in the CJOIP and associated delivery plans. Uncertainty around budgets and finance are an ongoing risk for all justice activity. These risks will be managed through the appropriate governance structures.

There is a minimal national budget to delivery voluntary throughcare services – this will have an impact for the locality – once budgets are confirmed support will be required.

3 | Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting

Progress reporting update in each area.

4 | What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board to achieve the outcomes of the DIG?

To support the CJP to deliver locally on the 'National Strategy for Community Justice' at a local level. To support the CJP with the uncertainty (nationally) regarding funding and budgets to support the local delivery of the strategy.

The DIG will be required to identify funding to deliver the local CJOIP and associated activities.

5 | Please outline any good news story you wish to share

WD has developed its first Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan (CJOIP) and associated delivery plans. The partnership is running effectively and partners have been overwhelmingly committed to realising the commitments of the plan. All partners have been engaged, committed and creative in regard to partnership working and supporting multi-agency integrated working arrangements.