



**REPORT TO: EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND ORGANISATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON 18 NOVEMBER 2020**

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY JUSTICE ACTIVITY IN MORAY 2019-20

BY: INTERIM CHIEF OFFICER – HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To appraise Committee on the Moray Community Justice Partnership's Outcome Activity Return for 2019-20.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to the Education, Communities and Organisational Development Committee following a decision of Moray Council on 17 June 2020 to agree a simplified committee structure as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In the case of this committee the combining of the delegated responsibilities of Children and Young People Services, Governance, Strategy and Performance, (para 9 of the minute refers).

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee consider and note the contents of the return (Appendix 1) and seek clarification on any matters relating thereto.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Moray Community Justice Partnership (MCJP) was created in April 2017 in line with the requirements of Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016.
- 3.2 The 2016 Act specifies eight statutory community justice partners (Local Authority [represented in Moray by Housing, Criminal Justice and Youth Justice], NHS board, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Health & Social Care IJB, Skills Development Scotland, Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service and the Scottish Ministers. Although not identified in the Act, the Scottish Prison Service and Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service are treated as statutory partners under the umbrella of 'Scottish Ministers'.
- 3.3 In Moray, these are joined by nine non-statutory partners (Department for Work & Pensions, Elgin Street Pastors, Families Outside, Moray Alcohol and

Drug Partnership, Moray College UHI, Moray Women's Aid, SACRO, tsiMoray and Victim Support Scotland).

- 3.4 The MCJP is required to submit an Outcome Activity Return to the national oversight body, Community Justice Scotland, in September each year. Community Justice Scotland then lays a composite report, covering the plans of all 30 Community Justice Partnerships, before the Scottish Parliament in the following March, as required under s27 of the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016.
- 2.5 The format of the annual return is prescribed by Community Justice Scotland and requires that activity is reported in the context of seven themes that are identified in Community Justice Scotland's Outcome, Performance and Improvement Framework:
 - Communities Improve their understanding and participation in Community Justice
 - Partners plan and deliver services strategically and collaboratively
 - Effective interventions are delivered to prevent and reduce risk of reoffending
 - People have better access to the services they need
 - Life chances are improved through needs being addressed
 - People develop positive relationships and greater opportunity to participate and contribute
 - Individuals' resilience and capacity for change and self-management are enhanced.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

In producing the Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan 2019-22, the MCJP took account of the Corporate Plan, Local Outcome Improvement Plan and the Community Planning Partnership's priority areas.

(b) Policy and Legal

The MCJP functions according to the requirements of the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016.

(c) Financial implications

The Scottish Government supports collaborative working between the partners by providing funding of £50,000 to each local authority area, as part of the Local Government Settlement. Funding for 2020-21 has been agreed, subject to the Scottish Government's spending review and formal parliamentary agreement of the draft budget.

(d) Risk Implications

None highlighted in this report.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications arising from this report.

(f) Property

There are no property issues arising from this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

An Equality/Socio Economic Impact Assessment is not required for this report.

(h) Consultations

Whilst the nature of the return does not require there to be consultation, the return has been circulated to Community Planning partners for their respective interests and will be reported to the next meeting of the Community Planning Board on 24 November for consideration.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 This report provides Committee with an overview of the activity undertaken by Moray's Community Justice partners in 2019-20.

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Background Papers: Moray Community Justice Outcome Activity Return 2019-20
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