

**WEST LoTHIAN COMMUNITY JUSTICE STRATEGY  
ACTION PLAN 2019-2021**

<b>WEST LoTHIAN COMMUNITY JUSTICE PRIORITY</b>	<b>YOUNG PEOPLE WHO OFFEND</b>				
<b>RELEVANT NATIONAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOME</b>	Effective interventions should be delivered to prevent and reduce the risk of further offending				
<b>KEY OUTCOME</b>	We develop and deliver services that improve outcomes for children and young people most at risk				
<b>STRETCH AIM</b>	To extend the Whole System Approach in West Lothian up to the age of 26, in line with the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014				
<b>Actions required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Who is responsible?</b>	<b>Measure of success</b>	<b>Performance indicator</b>	<b>Progress (to be reported on a quarterly basis)</b>
<i>Developing the most up-to-date Risk Assessment tools-moving from ASSET to START-AV</i>	<i>March 2020</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service/ Scottish Government, Youth Justice Division</i>	<i>That the Youth Justice Team will have the most robust tools in order to manage and respond to risk and need.</i>	<i>All staff are trained in the use of START-AV</i>	
<i>Whole System Approach: Continue and develop to ensure that young people are included to 21 years and to 26 years where possible</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That approaches to youth justice are delivered at an age and stage appropriate to them</i>	<i>Percentage of young people identified as high risk, whose risk is reduced within 6 months of intervention</i>	

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<i>To ensure that those involved in the justice system are engaged in education-aligned to "Preventing Offending"- Youth Justice Strategy for Scotland</i>	<i>March 2020</i>	<i>Education Head of Service</i>	<i>That young people at risk of or involved in offending are engaged in education and exclusion is minimised</i>	<i>Percentage of children and young people open to the Youth Justice Team engaged in appropriate education</i>	
<i>Improved ability to identify and manage risks imposed by young people</i>	<i>March 2020</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That young people are supported to avoid situations that place themselves and others at risk</i>	<i>Percentage of young people identified as high risk, whose risk is reduced within 6 months of intervention</i>	
<i>Ensure all relevant staff are trained in the whole system approach</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Business Support Service</i>	<i>That staff across all partner agencies have access to training in relation to the Whole System Approach</i>	<i>Percentage of staff who have received training in WSA</i>	

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<b>RELEVANT NATIONAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOME</b>	<b>Effective interventions should be delivered to prevent and reduce the risk of further offending</b>				
<b>KEY OUTCOME</b>	<b>Women are supported to avoid involvement with the Justice System</b>				
<b>STRETCH AIM</b>	<b>No woman appearing from custody should be remanded without an available bail support package</b>				
<b>Actions required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Who is responsible?</b>	<b>Measure of success</b>	<b>Performance indicator</b>	<b>Progress</b>
<i>Review Almond Project to enable it to respond to Presumption Against Short Sentences (PASS) and anticipated increase in Community Payback</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That the Almond Project will be well placed to assist in the delivery of PASS</i>	<i>Percentage of women involved with the Almond Project who do not reoffend within 6 months</i>	
<i>Develop the capacity of the service to manage the demands from increased use of bail and reduction in the use of remand</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That the Almond Project can support reduction in remand through delivery of bail support</i>	<i>Number of women offered bail support</i>	

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<b>WEST LoTHIAN COMMUNITY JUSTICE PRIORITY</b>	<b>RESPONSE TO VIOLENT CRIME</b>				
<b>RELEVANT NATIONAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOME</b>	Effective interventions should be delivered to prevent and reduce the risk of further offending				
<b>KEY OUTCOME</b>	Those involved in the Criminal and Youth Justice Systems for violent offences complete their orders without further violent offending				
<b>STRETCH AIM</b>	Domestic abuse perpetrators commence a structured programme				
<b>Actions required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Who is responsible?</b>	<b>Measure of success</b>	<b>Performance indicator</b>	<b>Progress</b>
<i>Continue to have a positive impact on reducing violent offending for those on CPO's</i>	<i>April 2020</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That those subject to supervision are supported to reduce both the frequency and severity of violent crime</i>	<i>Percentage of violent offenders completing a CPO without a further violent offence</i>	
<i>Introduce a domestic abuse perpetrator's programme</i>	<i>April 2020</i>	<i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That the Criminal and Youth Justice Service will introduce a robust justice response to those subject to community supervision in line with 'Equally Safe', the national strategy to reduce violence</i>	<i>Percentage of perpetrators of domestic abuse who successfully complete a CPO</i>	

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			<i>against women and girls.</i>		
<b><i>Work with the Community Safety Unit impacting on levels of violence</i></b>	<b><i>April 2021</i></b>	<b><i>Police Scotland/ West Lothian Community Safety Unit</i></b>	<b><i>That overall levels of violent crime will reduce over the life of the Community Justice Strategy</i></b>	<b><i>Number of Incidents of serious violence</i></b>	
<b><i>Continue to have a positive response to Serious Incidents including the submission of Serious Incident Reviews (SIR's)</i></b>	<b><i>March 2020</i></b>	<b><i>Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i></b>	<b><i>That there is robust reporting of serious incidents to the Care Inspectorate</i></b>	<b><i>Percentage of Serious Incidents reviewed and responded to appropriately</i></b>	

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<b>AREA FOR IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE</b>				
<b>RELEVANT NATIONAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOME</b>	People have better access to the services they require, including welfare, health and wellbeing, housing and employability				
<b>KEY OUTCOME</b>	People with convictions are supported to access health services quickly and sustain involvement with them				
<b>STRETCH AIM</b>	All of those with a conviction will have access to a GP				
<b>Actions required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Who is responsible?</b>	<b>Measure of success</b>	<b>Performance indicator</b>	<b>Progress</b>
<i>We will work jointly with health services to ensure that all people leaving prison have access to a GP/appropriate health services</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>General Manager (Mental Health and Addictions), NHS Lothian/ Director HMP Addiewell</i>	<i>That those leaving custody have a clear pathway and access to health services</i>	<i>Percentage of those subject to a CPO or leaving Addiewell registered with a GP</i>	
<i>We will improve pathways to accessing a mental health provision</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>General Manager (Mental Health and Addictions), NHS Lothian</i>	<i>That those with criminal convictions who have mental health issues have appropriate access to the right support at the earliest time</i>	<i>Percentage of those appearing from custody with a mental health problem accessing appropriate support</i>	

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<i><b>We will work jointly to enable those at the point of arrest to access the appropriate health provision</b></i>	<i><b>March 2021</b></i>	<i><b>General Manager (Mental Health and Addictions), NHS Lothian</b></i>	<i><b>A service to support those with an identified mental health issue is put in place</b></i>	<i><b>Percentage of those appearing from custody with a mental health problem accessing appropriate support</b></i>	
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<b>AREA FOR IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>IMPROVING STABILITY AND LIFESTYLES</b>				
<b>RELEVANT NATIONAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOME</b>	Life chances are improved through needs, including health, financial inclusion, housing and safety, being addressed				
<b>KEY OUTCOME</b>	Offenders receive access to key services to sustain stability				
<b>STRETCH AIM</b>	Those with convictions maintain engagement with services				
<b>Actions required</b>	<b>Timescale</b>	<b>Who is responsible?</b>	<b>Measure of success</b>	<b>Performance indicator</b>	<b>Progress</b>
<i>We are reviewing the Unpaid Work strategy to prepare for increased numbers with the expectation of PASS and to develop our system to collate employability and skills data from those carrying out unpaid work</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Economic Development and Regeneration Manager/ Group Manager, Criminal and Youth Justice Service</i>	<i>That there is a clear opportunity for those with convictions to access employability support and opportunities</i>	<i>Percentage of offenders who receive an employability intervention</i>	
<i>Ensuring all prisoners preparing for release and those subject to Community Payback have access to a benefits check before release and to improve access to these services for those within the community</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Anti-Poverty and Welfare Advice Manager/ Director, HMP Addiewell</i>	<i>That those with access to Community Justice have access to a reasonable level of income in order to support desistance from offending</i>	<i>Percentage of offenders that receive a benefits check at HMP Addiewell and in the community</i>	



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<i>Partners will work with Housing to ensure we meet Sustainable Housing on Release for Everyone (SHORE) standards</i>	<i>March 2021</i>	<i>Head of Service, Housing Construction and Building Services</i>	<i>That those leaving custody and in the community have access to appropriate accommodation</i>	<i>Percentage of those leaving custody with an identified address</i>	
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