

**ANGUS COUNCIL**

**POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 20 JUNE 2017**

**INFORMATION REPORT**

**ANGUS COMMUNITY JUSTICE  
OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2017 - 2020**

**REPORT BY SERVICE MANAGER (COMMUNITY PLANNING)**

**ABSTRACT**

This report presents the Angus Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan (2017 – 2020) which was approved by the Community Planning Partnership Board on 27 March 2017 and submitted thereafter to the Scottish Government.

**1 BACKGROUND**

The Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 puts a duty on Statutory Community Justice Partners to work together to produce a Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan that has regard to the National Strategy for Community Justice, the National Outcomes Performance and Improvement Plan (OPI) Framework; and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP) for that area.

The Angus Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan (ACJOIP) seeks to:

- Prevent and reduce further offending.
- Safely and effectively manage and support those who have committed offences to reintegrate into local communities and realise their potential for the benefit of all citizens.
- Shift the balance of community and custodial sentences, by increasing the use of community orders and reducing the use of short term custodial sentences.
- Improve the arrangements for reintegrating offenders from custody into local communities.

The Angus Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan takes account of the Scottish Government Guidance for local partners in the new Model for Community Justice and is based on the priorities identified in the National Strategy for Community Justice.

## 2 EVIDENCE BASE

The evidence base for the Angus Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan is contained in the Angus Community Justice Profile, a summary of which is detailed in Section 3 of the ACJOIP. The full Community Justice Profile is also submitted for information.

The Community Justice Profile provides a detailed data analysis which follows peoples' journeys through the Criminal Justice System, looking at the trends over time. The Profile also evaluates the views and experiences of those who have been involved in the Criminal Justice System, including people with convictions and their families, victims and witness of crime, and people living in local communities.

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**Appendices:** Angus Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan  
(2017 – 2020)