Whole System Youth Justice Approach in Lanarkshire Project Board Terms of Reference

1. Background

This paper sets out the terms of reference for the Project Board which will oversee the implementation of the whole systems approach project across Lanarkshire. The full scope of the project is set out in the Project Plan

2. Context

Implementation of this project involves:

- The Project Board with overall strategic responsibility
- Working groups that will operate to ensure the successful implementation of the distinct elements of the project (EEI, Diversion, Community Alternatives to custody and Reintegration)
- Lead officers operating for each Local Authority and Partner agency to act as the link person for their agency in ensuring implementation of the approach.

2. Project Board

2.1 Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference for this group will be:

- Overseeing the project progress and strategic direction
- Agreeing and amending as necessary the project plan
- Agreeing and overseeing the work of the project working groups
- Ensuring the project remains focused within project scope and definition set out in the project plan
- Representing the project externally ensuring relevant stakeholders are kept updated
- Ensure that the project is appropriately evaluated
- Agreeing reports to be submitted to other groups for information

2.2 Position within other Multi-agency Structures

The project board will report for information purposes to the Lanarkshire CJA Board, the Criminal Justice Board and Integrated Children's Services structures in both North and South Lanarkshire.

2.3 Membership

The project board will have the overall strategic responsibility for project implementation and will have the following membership:

Chair – Sheriff Dickson, Airdrie Sheriff Court
Tony McNulty, Lanarkshire CJA
Jennifer Harrower, COPFS
Sheila Hinds, Scottish Court Service
lain Macaulay, North Lanarkshire Council
Sandra Sage, South Lanarkshire Council
David Jones, SCRA
Fiona Dyer, Scottish Government
Strathclyde Police, representation to be confirmed

2.4 Meetings

The project board will set it's own meeting structure, but will meet at least three times over the life of the project.