

# Report

Report to:	<b>Social Work Resources Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>15 November 2017</b>
Report by:	<b>Director, Health and Social Care</b>

Subject:	<b>Review of Pan Lanarkshire Justice Services</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ advise the Committee of the review of pan Lanarkshire services that is currently taking place in Justice Services

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the contents of the report are noted.

## 3. Background

### 3.1. Context of Criminal Justice Services

3.1.1. Social Work Resources' Justice Services is a statutory service fulfilling an essential role in the Criminal Justice System. The introduction of the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 dissolved the Community Justice Authorities (CJA) and introduced new governance arrangements in the form of Community Justice Partnerships (CJP). A new funding formula was introduced at this time. South Lanarkshire Council (SLC) funding allocation for 2017/2018 was £5,269,583.

### 3.2. Accountability

3.2.1. Justice Services is part of the Community Justice Partnership (CJP) and report on key performance indicators on a quarterly and annual basis to the (CPP) and the Scottish Government. Justice Services are delivered in accordance with the National Outcomes and Standards for Social Work in the Criminal Justice System (2010).

### 3.3. Pan Lanarkshire Services

3.3.1. There are several Services that are jointly delivered by SLC and North Lanarkshire Council (NLC) and are referred to as pan Lanarkshire services. A review of Pan Lanarkshire Justice Services commenced in June 2017. SLC Justice Services currently host the Court and Drug Treatment and Testing Order (DTTO) Service for both NLC and SLC. NLC Justice Services host Throughcare. The outcomes of the reviews of these services are likely to have an impact on how these services are delivered and also on future funding for Justice Services in SLC. The reviews are scheduled for completion by November 2017.

## 4. Current Position

4.1. Clear communication has taken place with all staff involved in the Court, Throughcare and DTTO Services and trade union colleagues have also been kept fully informed.

Any proposed changes to the delivery of Services will be presented in the first instance to the CJP. An updated position paper outlining any changes to the proposed models of delivery for pan Lanarkshire services will be provided to the next Social Work Resources Committee.

## **5. Employee Implications**

- 5.1. Employee implications will be clarified following the conclusion of the pan Lanarkshire reviews.

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1. There are, currently, no financial implications associated with this report, however, there may be financial implications for Justice Services depending on the outcome of this review.

## **7. Other Implications**

- 7.1. There are no additional risk implications associated with this report.
- 7.2. There are no sustainable development issues associated with this report.
- 7.3. There are no other issues associated with this report.

## **8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 8.1. As this report does not propose a change in policy, strategy or plan it is not necessary to complete an impact assessment.
- 8.2. Consultation is currently underway with all staff currently employed in these services across South and North Lanarkshire. The trade unions have also been involved as well as the respective human resources departments.

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## **Link(s) to Council Values/Objectives**

- ◆ Improve community safety
- ◆ Fair and open
- ◆ Protect vulnerable children, young people and adults
- ◆ Self aware and improving

## **Previous References**

- ◆ none

## **List of Background Papers**

- ◆ none

## **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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