



**Lanarkshire
Community Justice
Authority**

Funding Developments Proforma

About your project

1. Project name

What is the name of your project?

Intensive Support Project

2. Project summary

Tell us about your project, what you plan to do, what you plan to spend the money on and where the project will be located.

The project will provide intensive individual support targeted at women offenders who have identified support needs and also contribute to the community re-integration, integrated supervision and monitoring of such offenders.

For risky and vulnerable offenders, a co-ordinated range of services is most likely to reduce the risk to the public, to prevent re-offending and to enable the appropriate re-integration of the offender into the community. Issues such as successful reintegration, meaningful use of time, stable accommodation, employability, etc. are crucial in delivering successful outcomes for the range of support services and public protection services that are put in place around offenders in the community. The intensive support service will not, of itself, be a substitute for the full range of services and monitoring systems that such offenders require, but a complement to them.

As such, this floating support service will work in partnership with the other agencies delivering support and public protection within an agreed multi-agency management plan and also in liaison with the key stakeholders such as the MAPPA Chair, Child and Adult Protection agencies and case managers.

The service will support women offenders who present the most significant risk, complex needs and/or vulnerability.

The service will be centrally coordinated via Justice headquarters and access to the service will be through the officer identified to manage the service. All referrals to the service will be centrally processed and allocated by this officer.

It is the aim of the project to offer a flexible, responsive service 52 weeks of the year to appropriate offenders. In order to achieve this, the service requires the equivalent of three full-time support workers.

The service will be available between 9.00am – 6.00pm every weekday of the year (including public holidays), but will also have the flexibility to be able to operate outside of these hours where agreed within an individual management plan.

3. Your outcomes

Briefly describe what difference your project will make by listing proposed outcomes (the difference your project will make to the people who use it)

Service Objectives

- To assist offenders to reintegrate into the community
- To enhance the self-management of the offender
- To meet with offenders for regular support, planning and reviews
- To enable offenders to develop skills to sustain their accommodation and live in the community
- To encourage and assist offenders in the uptake of employment, education and training.
- To reduce the risks of homelessness
- Contribution to overall increase in pro-social lifestyle

4. Target Group

(E.g. young offenders, women offenders, specific social needs, people at a particular stage in the criminal justice process)

Women offenders – especially those making the transition from custody back to the community.

5. Contribution to LCJA priorities

(how does this project contribute to reducing reoffending and the priorities set by the CJA in the area plan 2008-11)

The project addresses priorities set by the CJA in the (draft) area plan 2011-14:

Primary

Workstream 5 – Women Offenders

Objective

Ensure that women offenders can access a range of support services which reflects the complex nature of support required.

Action

Develop new initiatives to support women offenders

Outcomes

Female offenders have equal access to services

Reduce re-offending

Improve safety of local communities.

Secondary

Workstream 2 – Supervision and Monitoring

Objective

Monitor and support the effectiveness of community supervision in reducing re-offending

Workstream 7 - Partnership working

Objectives

Engagement of key groups and partnerships; Development of improved joint working; Increase community ownership

Workstream 9 - Neighbourhood Management

6. Project Costs

Please give estimates of costs for the project

Projected costs: April 2010 to March 2011	
Employment costs (salary, NI and pension for NLC7 staff x 3)	3 x £20,987
Total:	£62,961

About your organisation

7. Organisation name

North Lanarkshire Council Justice Services

8. Contact for the project

Lillian Cringles

9. organisation type

Local authority

10. Signatory

Name: Lillian Cringles

Position: Manager Justice

Date: 23 March 2010

Signature:

Counter Signature:

Position: