



Report

Report to:	Lanarkshire Community Justice Authority
Date of Meeting:	5 March 2010
Report by:	Chief Officer

Subject:	Youth Court Pilot Review
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to:-

- ◆ Inform Members about the Youth Court Pilot Review

2. Recommendation(s)

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

- (1) That the report be noted

3. Background

- 3.1 At the last Board meeting of 4 December 2009 the Board decided that every effort be made to maintain pressure on the Scottish Government to conclude the review as soon as possible.
- 3.2 The Government confirmed on the 14 December 2009 that there would be a three month extension of funding until the 30 June 2010. This was set out formally in Lanarkshire CJA's allocation letter.
- 3.3 Following correspondence the Cabinet Secretary for Justice agreed to meet personally with the Convenor. This meeting took place on 10 February 2010 and the briefing which was prepared is attached for information.
- 3.4 At the meeting of 10 February 2010 The Cabinet Secretary for Justice informed the Convenor that funding would be continued to 2012. This was confirmed in writing in the attached letter dated 18 February 2010.

4. Employee Implications

4.1 As will be seen from the briefing, there are significant numbers of Local Authority and Voluntary Sector jobs dependant on Youth Court Pilot monies.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 Potentially the review could result in a reduction of Section 27 funding amounting to £1.5 million.

6. Other Implications

6.1 Withdrawal of funding would have inevitably lead to community safety improvements being lost.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

7.1 No significant consultation was undertaken as part of this report.

7.2. The report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend an amendment to an existing policy, function or strategy therefore no equality impact assessment was carried out

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List of Background Papers

Youth Court Pilot Briefing Note

Youth Court Pilot Letter dated 18 February 2010

Contact for Further Information

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