# Shetland Community Justice Plan 2020-2022

# Shetland Community Justice Partnership Prevent, Reduce, Reintegrate

**Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan for Shetland 2020-2022** 

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#### **Partner Logos**



















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## Our shared vision

"Shetland is a community with a strong focus on addressing the underlying causes of offending as well as the significant inequalities that exist that are often a root cause of crime. We support and enable people at risk of offending or reoffending into the community and maximise their life opportunities for the benefit of all our people."

# Our shared priorities



Developing capacity and involving people



## Prevention

Preventing people entering, escalating or recycling through the justice system

## Wellbeing

Improving health and wellbeing for everyone affected by the justice system

## Improvement

**Encouraging a culture of continuous improvement** 











## **Shetland Community Justice Plan**

The Shetland Community Justice Plan identifies a shared vision and priorities to work towards to reduce offending and reoffending, and to improve outcomes for those affected by the justice system.

Shetland Community Justice Partnership want to secure the best possible outcomes for people with convictions, victims and witnesses, families and communities. We want to safely and effectively manage and support those who have committed offences to help them reintegrate and realise their potential for the benefit of the whole community.

This plan is the Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan (CJOIP) for Shetland, and sets out how we will work together, with communities, to develop and deliver the best services, in a way which is locally appropriate, person-centred, and evidence-based.

Local priority themes are defined in the plan and high level description of outcomes and arrangements to be introduced or developed to deliver these outcomes and achieve the best possible outcomes for our communities are presented.

## **The Shetland Community Justice Partnership**

Community Justice is about preventing and reducing further offending by addressing the underlying causes. It is where individuals, agencies and services work together to

support, manage and supervise people with convictions or with a history of offending.

The Shetland Community Justice Partnership is made up of a wide range of partners who work together to deliver our collective ambitions for the future.

#### **Developing the Plan**

Extensive consultation and engagement with partners and stakeholders during the transition period, in addition to a review of the available evidence led to identification of the priority themes contained within the first Community Justice Plan 2017-2020.

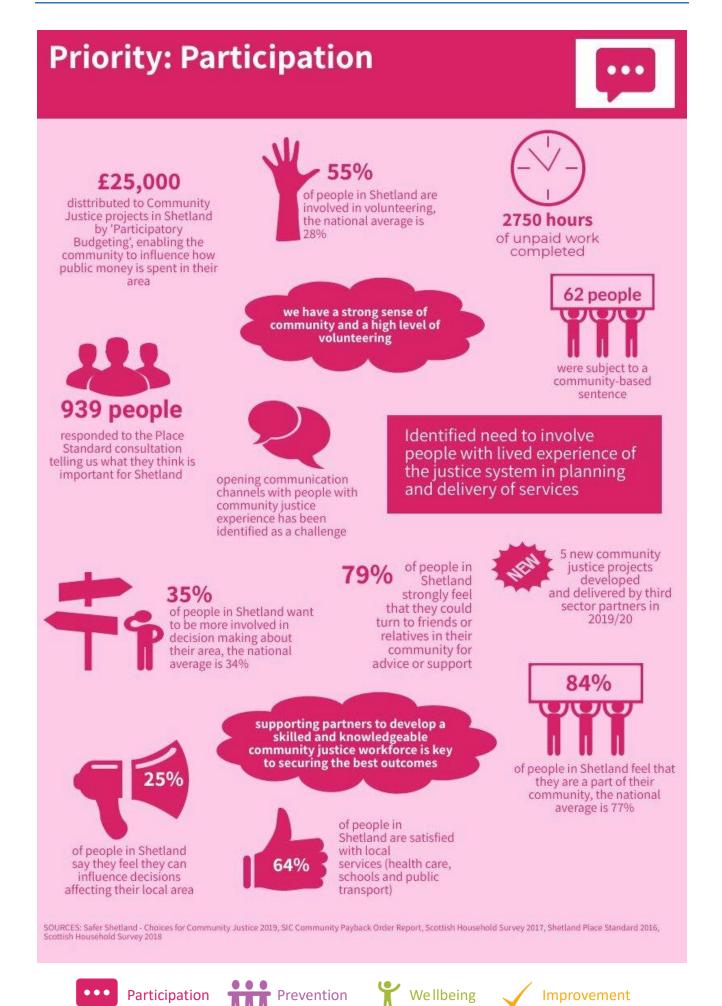
In addition to these priorities, which remain the most relevant to be addressed by the Community Justice Partnership, as a result of a supported and validated self-evaluation which was undertaken in 2019 with the support of the Care Inspectorate the partnership have also have included an additional improvement priority.

This self-evaluation identified some key areas of focus to ensure the partnership operates in the most effective and efficient way to achieve our outcomes.

The Community Justice Plan and activity described within is also directed towards achievement of wider community planning priorities for Shetland. More information about Community Planning arrangements for Shetland can be found in the appendices.







# **Priority: Participation**

#### **Our Shared Priority**

This priority is about changing the way we work to help our stakeholders and communities actively participate with public service providers to improve the lives of people in Shetland. There is a need to change the way we work as a result of legislative change, reducing public sector resources, and because people in Shetland tell us they would like more involvement in the decisions that affect them *(Scottish Household Survey,* 2016).

Shetland is a great place to live for many people, but for those without the financial, personal and social resources and networks, life can feel hard, lonely and isolating. In order for everyone to live well and flourish, the community must recognise the value of each of its members and not exclude anyone from the rights and benefits of citizenship, with all members able to achieve active citizenship and participate in shaping that community. The community justice partnership want to recognise the valuable contribution that people with experience of the justice system (including people with offences, victims and families) can make to shaping the future of services.

There is a wide network of people and agencies who can support the approach to dealing with the complex causes and effects of crime and offending behaviour and contribute to building a community of justice, the Shetland Community Justice Partnership want to make sure everyone in this network is able to contribute.

What will be different by 2022?	What will we do?
Outcomes	activity
The Shetland Community Justice Partnership will be a successful partnership – between public agencies and with communities – helping to deliver improved outcomes for people affected by crime and offending behaviour	<ul> <li>Raise the profile and improve understanding of Community Justice in our communities</li> </ul>
People affected by the justice system will feel empowered and more able to influence the decisions that affect them and have a strong understanding of how and why decisions are taken	<ul> <li>Support development of community justice interventions</li> <li>Improve representation and involvement of justice experienced people in community justice</li> <li>Gather views of the community</li> </ul>
Staff from across the Shetland Community Justice Partnership will be actively seeking to involve different communities in decision making and service design and delivery	<ul> <li>Develop opportunities for other agencies to contribute to community justice outcomes</li> </ul>
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Improvement

#### **Priority: Prevention** 17 people received **Reconviction rate for** Shetland - Key Facts a custodial Shetland by sentence: sentence in 26% reconviction rate (27% 2018/19 Community Custody an increase Scottish Average) Payback from 13 the previous year 49% drop in recorded crime since 2009/10 Community based sentences enable people to sustain relationships, employment and housing while addressing the additional needs of Average of 12 people from Shetland in prison at any which crime is a symptom given time Males represent 97% of in 2018 **100%** those sentenced to custody of offenders subject Presumption against shortto a CPO reduced Crime rate of 194 per 10,000 and/or stopped term sentences of population (Scottish rate of offending 12 months or less 453) 65% detection rate for police in Shetland (51% 49% Scottish average of households in Shetland stable employment, do not earn housing and enough to community cohesion all Prisoners are much more live well affect the chances of likely to have a history of reoffending debt, financial exiclusion and few or no educational achievements 5.7% of Parental offending and children in incarceration is predictive of Shetland live in poor health, wellbeing and social low income outcomes families almost two thirds of prisoners in Scotland have although only 1% of children Scottish children are in care, more than a quarter of Scottish prisoners have ADVERSE CHILDHOOD been looked after children EXPERIENCES (ACEs) Those with 4 or more ACEs have been found to be: ABUSE HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION **14** times more likely to have been a victim physical of violence in the past 12 months emotional mental illness mother treated sexual 15 times more likely to have been a violently divorce perpetrator of violence in the past 12 NEGLECT incarcerated relative months substance abuse physical **20** times more likely to have been emotional incarcerated in their lives SOURCES: Scottish Prison Service, SG Recorded Crime in Scotland 2018-19, SG Reconviction Rates, SIC Community Payback Order Report, Living Well in a High Cost Economy, Ipsos Mori, 2017, Scottish Centre for Crime and Justice Research 2015, SG Understanding Childhood Adversity, Resilience and Crime 2018 Participation Wellbeing

Prevention

# **Priority: Prevention**

#### **Our Shared Priority**

This priority is aimed at preventing people entering, escalating or recycling through the justice system by addressing the underlying causes of offending behaviour and supporting people to reach their full potential.

While Shetland overall is a safe, prosperous and happy community, with low levels of crime, homelessness and unemployment, it is essential to recognise that there are members of our community who are subject to social and environmental inequalities which result in increased chance of involvement in the justice system and other poorer outcomes. To tackle preventable offending behaviour and reduce the impact on victims, families and the wider community we must support the most vulnerable in our community by working to tackle poverty, socio-economic disadvantage and other inequalities.

We must target the risk factors for and root causes of offending behaviour and support those people already in the justice system to desist from offending, to improve life chances and the impact on the community as a whole.

We should ensure that more effective community sentencing options are used whenever possible, and work to mitigate against the negative impacts of imprisonment for individuals, families and communities.

What will be different 2022?	What will we do?
Outcomes	Activity
The reoffending rate for Shetland will be reduced as a result of people being enabled and empowered to address the issues they face and services being in place to address barriers to desistance	<ul> <li>Support development of alternatives to</li> </ul>
The Shetland Community Justice Partnership will be prioritising prevention and ensuring services are designed and delivered to provide innovative solutions to the issues faced by our communities	<ul> <li>prosecution, custody and remand</li> <li>Develop joined up approaches to reducing barriers to employment for people with a history of offending</li> </ul>
Shetland will continue to be a safe and happy place, with more people feeling connected to their communities and benefiting from living in good places	<ul> <li>Support development of initiatives aimed towards prevention and mitigation of the impact of ACEs</li> </ul>
The number of people from Shetland being sent to prison each year will be reduced	
Participation Prevention	Wellbeing



#### **Priority: Wellbeing** people in the justice system may find it harder to access health services and other opportunities those in contact with the justice system have increased rates which help to promote and improve health of: . death suicide overdose e, higher rates of mental blood-borne viruses . health problems in accidents those in the criminal justice system than the . . cancer general population alcohol related liver disease epilepsy . tooth decay . poor mental health involvement in the criminal justice system PARTICULARLY IMPRISONMENT is associated with further deterioration in health and wellbeing For those on a Community Payback Order with Supervision in Shetland (2017-2019): 44% had current problem with alcohol disproportionate 28% had current drug 80% of people in Shetland engage number of problem prisoners drink in some form of large amounts alcohol/drug use physical activity, of alcohol and contributed to same as the offending - 45% Scottish average around half of female Early mortality prisoners and a quarter of of people in Shetland is male prisoners report drink at experience of physical, potentially emotional or sexual abuse harmful 30% 18% lower than the health, wellbeing and life expectancy in Shetland are generally beter than the Scottish average almost half of female average prisoners report a history of domestic violence Sources: NHS Shetland, Shetland Islands Council Criminal Justice Social Work, SPS Prisoner Survey 2014, NHS Health Scotland 2017, Scottish Household Survey 2016, Alcohol Profile - Scottish Health Observatory 2016, Death Rates - National Records of Scotland, 2018 Participation Prevention Wellbeing Improvement

# **Priority: Wellbeing**

### **Our Shared Priority**

This priority is aimed at improving health and wellbeing for everyone affected by crime, offending behaviour and contact with the justice system.

There are strong links between the development and perpetuation of offending behaviour and poor health, health inequalities, substance misuse and poor access to healthcare. By understanding and working in partnership to address the complex issues involved in offending behaviour and crime we can affect the health and wellbeing of those directly affected and of the community as a whole.

As a partnership we must identify and reduce barriers to accessing healthcare and other services. We will support an approach to dealing with the causes and effects which includes preventative work, addressing underlying attitudes, beliefs and stigma to promote social inclusion and community cohesion.

Stigma around the justice system and people with experience of the justice system will be reduced, resulting in social inclusion and stronger communities. We will ensure that healthcare pathways and services are inclusive of those in the justice system, and nurture closer links between health and justice services to increase health input to the justice journey and increase opportunities for support.

### NHS PUBLIC **HEALTH AND** COMMUNITY JUSTICE ANNUAL REPORT

What will be different by 2022? What will we do? **Outcomes** Activity Barriers to accessing healthcare and other services faced by those with experience of the justice system will be reduced, resulting in improved health and • Support development of interventions to Shetland Community Justice Partnership will be working improve health and wellbeing for people effectively with other strategically linked partnerships involved in the justice system to reduce the impact of problematic use of alcohol and

Reduce stigma around offending and substance

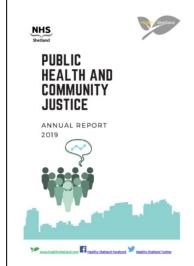


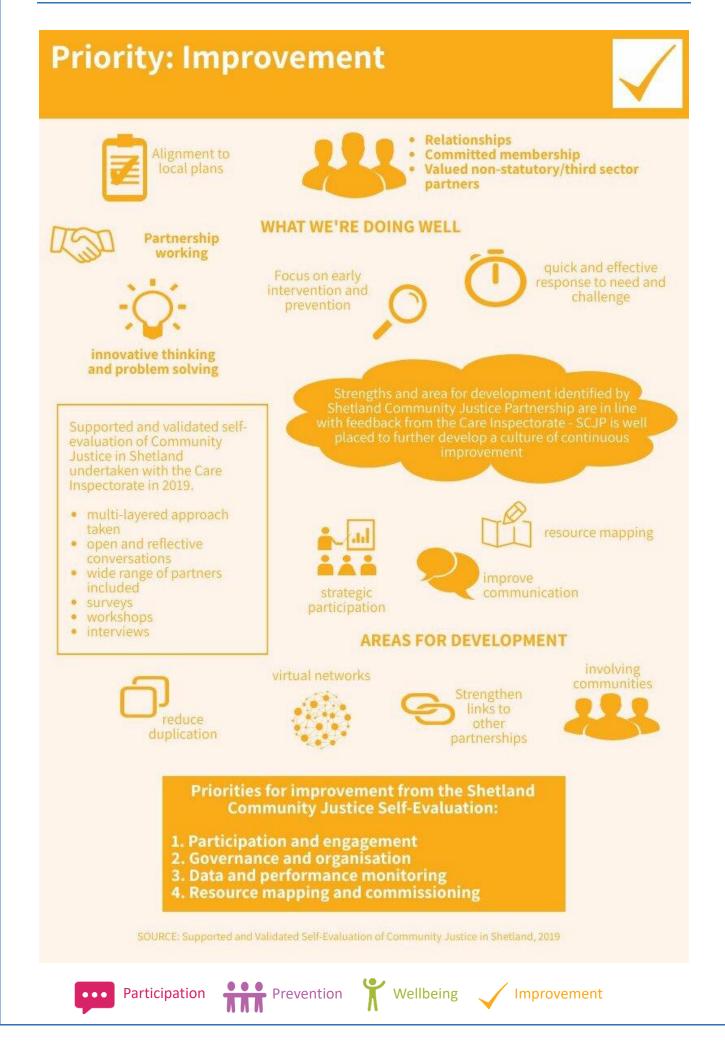












# **Priority: Improvement**

### **Our Shared Priority**

This priority is aimed at encouraging a culture of continuous improvement as well as addressing specific areas for development as highlighted in the supported and validated self-evaluation undertaken by SCJP with the Care Inspectorate in 2019 (for more information please see feedback on the Care Inspectorate website <u>here</u>).

Shetland Community Justice Partnership must ensure that we are a successful partnership which includes the right people, can identify the right outcomes and how to deliver on these, and evidence our impact. Within a context of reducing resources in public services, we must work in new and different ways to make the most of what is available to us and provide leadership.

The Shetland Community Justice Partnership has identified priorities for improvement which will form the basis of work in this area for the next 2 years, and will be followed by continued self-evaluation of other aspects of partnership work in subsequent years.

What will be different by 2022?	What will we do?
Voutcomes	Activity
Community justice partners, including non-statutory and third sector, will be meaningfully involved in planning and delivery of services at strategic level	
The Community Justice Partnership will be leading collaboratively, and encouraging further participation and engagement with communities	<ul> <li>Development of virtual networks and communication channels</li> <li>Resource mapping</li> </ul>
The partnership will be regularly sharing information, monitoring progress and providing up to date, useful and transparent reporting on activity and progress towards achievement of outcomes	<ul> <li>Develop strategic approach to joint budgeting and deployment of resources</li> <li>Strengthen and formalise links to other partnerships</li> </ul>
The partnership will operate proactively to identify gaps in service delivery, and work collaboratively to develop/amend services to meet identified need	









# **Delivering the Shetland Community Justice Plan**

### **Delivery Approach**

This Shetland Community Justice Plan 2020-2022 outlines the key areas of focus for the partnership over the next 2 years.

The Partnership and key partners within it have a statutory duty to both produce this plan and ensure it is delivered and resourced. This duty is laid out in the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016. More information about Shetland Community Justice Partnership can be found in the appendices.

Delivery plans to achieve each of the outcomes set out in this plan will be developed as a partnership working together with partner agencies, third sector and the community.

Delivery plans will include actions related to each priority and projects to be developed to achieve each of the outcomes and details of how each of our partners will contribute towards this.

### Monitoring and Assessing Impact

The partnership will monitor progress and evaluate performance on a regular basis.

The Shetland Community Justice Partnership reports annually to Community Justice Scotland against nationally defined outcomes/indicators (further information in Appendices). The partnership will also agree a set of local indicators as part of delivery planning.

A community facing annual report is also published each year which can be accessed on our website.

#### **Governance & Accountability**

The Shetland Community Justice Partnership is accountable to the Shetland Partnership Management and Leadership Team and will provide regular updates and progress reports in relation to projects linked to the Shetland Community Justice Plan.

The MLT is responsible for monitoring the activities of the SCJP and ensuring progress against the outcomes and targets set. More information relating to the structure can be found at Appendix 1.

### **Partners' Strategic Plans**

This plan will be delivered over 2 years to bring Community Justice planning and delivery in Shetland in line with delivery and reporting on Shetland's Partnership Plan. The contribution Shetland Community Justice Partnership can make to achieving shared local priorities and outcomes contained within Shetland's Partnership plan is recognised by both partnerships.

Links to other strategically linked partnerships is also maintained via Shetland Partnership channels.

SCJP recognise the need for island-proofing in strategic planning, and will continue to work together to ensure regard for island communities in delivery of services and to avoid disproportionate impacts on island communities.









#### **Appendix 1 – The Community Justice Partnership**

#### **Community Justice**

The Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 defines Community Justice as 'the collection of individuals, agencies and services that work together to support, manage and supervise people who have committed offences from the point of arrest, through prosecution, community disposal or custody and alternatives to these, until they are reintegrated into the community. Local communities and the third sector are a vital part of this process which aims to prevent and reduce further offending and the harm that it causes, promote desistance, social inclusion and citizenship'.

Community Justice in Shetland and across Scotland is underpinned by the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016. This act aims to transform the community justice landscape, providing a local perspective which places planning at a local level where decisions can be made by people who know their area best.

The national model for community justice champions a preventative approach: an approach not only to reduce crime and the number of future victims of crime, but also to help create a more just, equitable, and inclusive society where people's life chances are improved and public resources are made best use of. It has been designed to bring together individuals and organisations to deliver community solutions to achieving improved outcomes for community justice and encourages partners to take a holistic approach to helping people make positive changes in their lives, and tackle the underlying causes of their offending.

The Act places a legal duty on a core set of partners to engage in this planning process, however, as shown in figure 1, there is a much wider range of community justice partners that play a crucial role in working to improve community justice outcomes.

Statutory Partners			
Skills Development	NHS Shetland	Shetland Islands	Scottish Fire &
Scotland		Council	Rescue Service
Police Scotland	Scottish Courts and	Scottish Prison	Integrated Joint
Pulle Scotland	Tribunals Service	Service	Board
Non-Statutory Partners			
Service Users	Shetland Alcohol & Drug Partnership	People Who Offend/People with Convictions	Crown Office & Procurator Fiscal Service
Local Employers	Communities	Employability Agencies	Victims of Crime
Victim Support Services	Community Bodies	Families	Third Sector









The Scottish Government's National Strategy for Community Justice and National Outcomes, Performance and Improvement (OPI) Framework developed in support of the Act provides an ambitious shared vision that supports partners and communities to work more effectively together: a vision where people are help to account for their offences, but are supported to be active and responsible contributors to their communities.

This vision is founded on four priorities and six core principles that are designed to support delivery of the series of structural and person-centred outcomes set out in the performance and improvement framework.

#### The Scottish Government's Vision for Community Justice

'Scotland is a safer, fairer and more inclusive nation where we:-

Prevent and reduce further offending by addressing its underlying causes; and

Safely and effectively manage and support those who have committed offences to help them reintegrate into the community and realise their potential, for the benefit for all citizens'

## **Priorities**

- Improved community justice understanding and participation
- Strategic planning and partnership working
- Effective use of evidence-based interventions
- Equal access to services

#### **Principles**

- People must be held to account for their offences, in a way that recognises the impact on victims of crime and is mindful of risks to the public, while being proportionate and effective in preventing and reducing further offending
- Re-integrating those who have committed offences into the community and helping them to realise their potential will create a safer and fairer society for all
- Every intervention should maximise opportunities for preventing and reducing offending as early as possible, before problems escalate
- Community justice outcomes cannot be improved by one stakeholder alone. We must work in partnership to address these complex issues
- Informed communities who participate in community justice will lead to more effective services and policies with greater legitimacy
- High quality, person-centred and collaborative services should be available to address the needs of those who have committed offences. their families, and victims of crime







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#### **Fit with National Outcomes:**

Scottish Government Common Outcomes	Local Priority Themes
1. Communities improve their understanding and participation in community justice	Participation
2. Partners plan and deliver services in a more strategic and collaborative way	All priorities
3. People have better access to the services they require, including welfare, health and wellbeing, housing and employability	Participation Wellbeing
4. Effective interventions are delivered to prevent and reduce the risk of further offending	Prevention
5. Life chances are improved through needs, including health, financial inclusion, housing and safety being addressed	Prevention Wellbeing
6. People develop positive relationships and more opportunities to participate and contribute through education, employment and leisure activities	Participation Prevention
7. Individuals resilience and capacity for change and self-management are enhanced	Participation Prevention









#### **Community planning**

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 creates the legislative framework for community planning in Scotland and tries to set out a much clearer focus for community planning based on strong, shared leadership and meaningful engagement with communities. As defined under this act, community planning is about how providers of public services work together and with the local community to improve outcomes for people in each local authority area, with a view to reducing inequalities.

Community Justice planning is no different, except that it has a direct focus on improving outcomes for people with community justice experience. It shares many of the community planning principles, specifically, a focus on outcomes, prevention, partnership working and tackling inequalities and faces common challenges, such as difficulties managing performance in partnership settings.

Development and delivery of the Shetland Community Justice Plan link closely to Shetland's Partnership Plan 2018-2028,

> Shetland's Partnership Plan 2018-2028

Working together to improve the lives of



which identifies a shared vision and priorities to work towards to improve the lives of everyone in Shetland, with a focus on improving outcomes for the most vulnerable individuals and groups in our community.

Shetland Community Justice Partnership reports directly to the Shetland Partnership Management and Leadership Team (the Community Planning Partnership for Shetland), which has responsibility for the implementation of the improvement actions contained within this plan, in line with the national strategy and outcome, performance and improvement framework. The Local structure is outlined in the diagram below.

It is recognised in Shetland that if we are to be effective in reducing the number of people coming into contact with the justice system, we need to have a focus on reducing inequalities and mitigating the impact of living in a high cost economy. This is one of the strategic priorities within community planning and includes all of the services that support the reduction of offending and reoffending.

Shetland Community Justice Partnership is committed to ensuring decision makers, both locally and nationally fully understands the needs of people with community justice experience and the additional impact that inequalities can have on their circumstances.

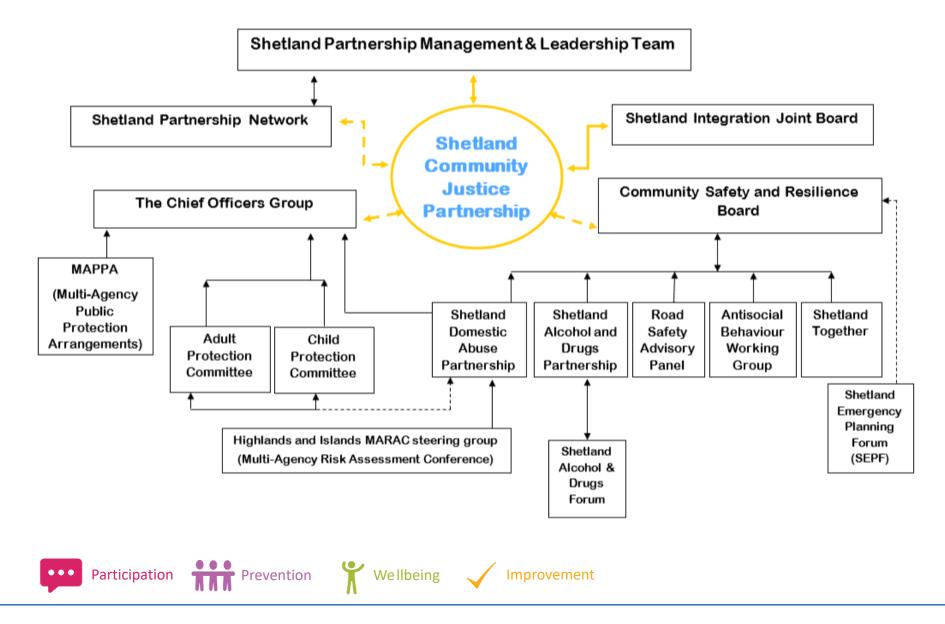
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#### **Reporting Structure:**



#### **Appendix 2 - Participation Statement**

Shetland Community Justice Partnership has ensured consultation with and participation of a range of statutory and non-statutory partners and stakeholders in the course of development of the Shetland Community Justice Needs Assessment, the Shetland Community Justice Plan 2017-2020 and this refreshed version for 2020-2022.

Partners recognise that success in reducing reoffending requires contribution by a broader range of individuals and organisations than those specified in legislation. The Shetland Community Justice Partnership has therefore aimed to ensure that a wide range of partners and stakeholders were engaged throughout the transition period and development of subsequent plans. This work included extensive one to one interviews with key stakeholders to provide a snapshot of services available in Shetland that work with and to support, people with community justice experience. Both services that work directly with people who offend as part of their core business and services which support people affected by offending behaviour and deal with issues associated with offending behaviour as part of their normal work (e.g. housing, alcohol and drug misuse, mental health, literacy issues and unemployment) were included. Findings helped to inform the Baseline Assessment and the development of Community Justice Priorities for Shetland.

Two stakeholder engagement, participation and awareness events were delivered as part of development of the first Shetland Community Justice Plan. The first to bring partners up to speed on the new model for community justice and what this change might mean for them; and the second to review the findings of Shetland's Community Justice Needs Assessment and give stakeholders the opportunity to share their views and personal experiences on what the current needs are in Shetland for both people who offend and people who have been affected by offending behaviour. Outputs from this event contributed to the identification of the key priority themes detailed within the plan and ongoing discussions about how partners can develop engagement with communities and communities of interest in the implementation of the plan.

Reviews of data, feedback and progress against outcomes show that a focus continues to be required on the priority themes contained within the previous plan, therefore this version represents a refresh of the evidence and outcomes linked to those priorities with inclusion of one new area of focus resulting from a supported and validated self-evaluation of Community Justice in Shetland undertaken with the Care Inspectorate in 2019. During the self-evaluation process and as part of the development phase of the Shetland Community Justice Plan 2020-2022 Shetland Community Justice Partnership ensured consultation with and participation of a wide range of statutory and non-statutory partners and stakeholders.

One on one interviews were conducted with partners and key agencies (including representation from CJP and Community Planning Partnership partners as well as the third sector) with the Care Inspectorate in 2019. A series of improvement actions were developed by Shetland Community Justice Partnership and agreed by Shetland Partnership Management and Leadership Team prior to being incorporated as a priority within the new plan. Shetland Community Justice Forum (membership of which comprises representation from both statutory partners and agencies selfidentifying as stakeholders in community justice (includes a range of third sector organisations)) were consulted during the early stages of development of the plan in order that the approach











taken, the priorities included and the plans for delivery were open to scrutiny by partners and stakeholders.

Wider consultation on this refreshed plan, including national partners, members of the public and community groups (including those representing people with experience) was undertaken prior to final approval and publication of this plan and further work to formalise the delivery approach during which process there will be a further phase of more specific engagement and involvement. Shetland Community Justice Partnership ensures ongoing engagement with the pubic and the third sector on an annual basis via support provided to events (e.g. unpacking seminar series) and via the 2019 participatory budgeting exercise (more information in the annual report ...link).

Participation in delivery of the Shetland Community Justice Plan is an ongoing process requiring continued engagement and liaison with statutory and non-statutory partners, third sector organisations and people with community justice experience (including people with convictions, people who a history of offending, victims of crime and children and families affected). This participation will ensure cognisance is taken of the issues which affect our communities in order that these can be reflected in future community justice planning in Shetland.







#### **Appendix 3** – Integrated Impact Assessment Outcomes Report

Name of Proposal	Shetland Community Justice Plan (Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan 'CJOIP')
Description of Proposal	Shetland Community Justice Partnership has developed a refreshed Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan for Shetland – the Shetland Community Justice Plan 2020-2022. A strategic needs assessment was undertaken for development of the previous community justice plan in 2017, with ongoing review of available data on an annual basis. The plan contains 4 priorities – 3 based on previous needs assessment and data and included in previous plan: 'participation', 'wellbeing' and 'prevention' – and 1 added as a result of improvement planning: 'improvement'. These priorities will be the basis for outcomes improvement work for Community Justice in Shetland. Outcomes and intended activity related to each priority is included in the plan, which will be followed by detailed delivery planning to set out how the priorities will be delivered will begin in April 2020.
Lead Organisation / Partnership	Shetland Community Justice Partnership
IIA Lead Person	Rachel McDill
Date of IIA	March 2020

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#### **Recommendations from IIA**

#### **Positive Impacts**

The plan focuses on improving outcomes for people with community justice experience (people who offend, people with convictions, victims of crime, children and young people who offend, who are at risk of offending or are transitioning into adult community justice services, children and young people affected by parental offending or imprisonment, families of all of the above), and there are a wide range of potential positive impacts in relation to a number of factors covered by the IIA:

Diversity (Age, Disability, Gender) - the plan seeks to develop early intervention and preventative approaches to supporting children and young people who offend. There are identified correlations



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between those with learning disabilities and convictions with a knock on effect on employability and income. The plan seeks to reduce barriers to employment. The plan is designed to support both males and females with convictions. While it is recognised that the approaches may require to be tailored to males or females, neither sex will be disproportionately impacted. The continued development of a person centred approach is fundamental to the plan for all these groups.

Health – the 'wellbeing' priority contained within the plan seeks to improve outcomes related to health and wellbeing for everyone affected by crime, offending behaviour and contact with the justice system. This includes a focus on mental health and wellbeing, physical activity and substance use. Links to other local plans/projects addressing wider inequalities will be essential during the delivery planning phase in order to contribute to wider positive impacts around affordable food, healthy diet and early years.

Socio-economic inequality – in tackling preventable offending behaviour and reducing the impact on victims, families and the wider community, the Shetland Community Justice Plan aims to support the most vulnerable in the community by working to tackle poverty, socio-economic disadvantage and other inequalities, and by working to reduce exclusion/increase participation for the whole community.

#### **Negative Impacts**

Potential negative impacts relating to targeting resources which might result in changing service provision elsewhere should be considered in designing projects as part of delivery planning. For example the impact of focus on prevention to service provision later in the justice system, and a focus on particular geographical areas where there are concentrated issues leading to less focus on communities seen to have lesser need. An IIA should be considered for all projects in order to adequately assess and mitigate against these negative impacts.

#### **No Impacts**

Areas considered not to be impacted upon (e.g. environmental impacts) should remain under review for future iterations of the plan and as part of individual IIAs for delivery planning.

#### **Issues arising from IIA**

Consideration of actual or perceived differential impacts must be considered in relation to Community Justice activity, particularly consideration for communities and those affected by crime. Engagement with key groups is central to delivering improved outcomes for those most in need – work streams, projects and initiatives developed or aligned under Community Justice priorities should undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment to ensure that opportunities for engagement are explored with particular groups. An IIA should also be considered standard practice when designing projects or shifting resources.



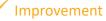
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Securing the participation of the community in designing, delivering and monitoring outcomes improvement will help greatly in ensuring that outcomes are improved for those most in need – the IIA will help to guide project staff as to what groups and bodies could be involved.







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