


## RECORD OF MEETING (VIRTUAL)

<b>Meeting Name:</b>	<b>Moray Community Justice Partnership meeting</b>
<b>Chair:</b>	<b>Joyce Johnston – Interim Head of Children’s Services</b>
<b>Date Of Meeting:</b>	<b>19 November 2020</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Virtual via ‘MS Teams’</b>
<b>Attending:</b>	<p>Carol Chambers – Operations Manager, Housing Needs, TMC            Caroline Cooper – Regional Family Support Coordinator, Families Outside            Cllr Lorna Creswell – Councillor, TMC            Nina Crocombe – Skills Development Scotland            Andrew Dick - Group Commander, Scottish Fire &amp; Rescue Service            Cllr John Divers – Councillor, TMC            Mark Holloway – Deputy Governor, HMP Inverness            Paul Johnson – Manager, Moray Alcohol &amp; Drug Partnership            Tish Richford – Head of Justice Services, TMC            Alex Swain – Fiscal Depute, COPFS            John Todd - Senior Social Worker, Moray Youth Justice &amp; Child Protection            Mike Whelan – Community Justice Coordinator, TMC</p>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<p>Pam Cremin - Head of Mental Health &amp; Integrated Services, H&amp;SCare Moray            Jackie Maclaren – Operations Manager, tsiMoray            Gordon Methven – Elgin Street Pastors            Alan Prosser – Locality Manager, Victim Support Scotland</p>

<b>AGENDA ITEM/ TOPIC</b>	<b>ACTION POINT</b>	<b>TO BE ACTIONED BY</b>
<b>1. Minute of previous meeting</b>	The minute of the meeting of 20 August 2020 was accepted and will be formally approved at the next physical meeting of the Partnership.	
<b>2. Matters arising</b>	<p>Covered by Agenda item except:</p> <p>Re: Item 7, MADP update, PJ advised that decision on application to Scottish Government for ‘test of change’ money to look at people with multiple, complex needs was still awaited.</p>	
<b>3. Annual Outcome Activity Return 2019-20</b>	<p>MW advised that the annual report had been submitted to Community Justice Scotland on 29 September 2020 and had been acknowledged.</p> <p>Locally, the report had been submitted to the Chief Officers’ Group, Moray Council’s Education, Communities and Organisational Development Committee and was being submitted to the Community Planning Board on 24 November.</p> <p>JJ commented that it was important to establish a reporting pathway for the Partnership’s plans and reports.</p>	

<p><b>4. Strategic Needs Strengths Assessment</b></p>	<p>MW had issued a survey to partners for the service mapping exercise. Responses had been received from six services. MW to identify other services that meet the criteria and pursue service information.</p> <p>Next stage will be to identify unmet need/ service gaps.</p> <p>MW keen take up offer of assistance made by CJS at training event they delivered here on 6 March 2020.</p>	
<p><b>5. Chair's update from national CJS event</b></p>	<p>JJ provided an overview of Karyn McCluskey's (Chief Exec., CJS) presentation to Partnership Chairs. The presentation identified current challenges caused by the impact of COVID on Courts, Prison Service, CJ Social Work, third sector and others and described recent CJS activity. Reducing numbers held on remand and increasing use of diversion are seen as key elements in addressing the current situation.</p> <p>The presentation can be found here:</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>CJP Chairs Briefing - Presentation to be sha</p> </div>	
<p><b>6. ABI/MEOC</b></p>	<p>PJ presented the paper on Alcohol Brief Interventions/ 'Making Every Opportunity Count' that had recently been submitted to the Moray Alcohol &amp; Drug Partnership by Iain MacDonald, Laura Sutherland, Susan Thom and Pauline Maloy.</p> <p>PJ drew attendees' attention to the recommendations and described how partners can support ABI/MEOC within their organisations.</p>	
<p><b>7. Peer research project</b></p>	<p>Following Partnership decision to opt for Peer research, MW met with Elidh Brown and Jackie Maclaren of TSI and that was followed by a meeting involving Caroline Cooper of Families Outside and Heidi Tweedie of the Moray Wellbeing Hub.</p> <p>It was proposed to initially engage with short-term prisoners and follow this up by working with people/ families in the community.</p> <p>It is envisaged that engagement would take place alongside development of the SNSA, feeding into the new Improvement Plan in spring, 2022.</p> <p>HMP Inverness is happy to assist and a further meeting between Caroline Cooper and Heidi Tweedie is taking place next week,</p> <p>JJ asked MW to confirm with Scottish Government that budget for this piece of work could be rolled forward into 2021-22.</p>	<p><b>MW</b></p>
<p><b>8. Partner updates</b></p>	<p><b>Elgin Street Pastors</b></p>	

School pastors have returned to patrol but the Covid restrictions mean street pastors are still unable to patrol at weekends. Although the possibility of returning to weekend patrols has been discussed, many volunteers are clinically vulnerable and unwilling to put themselves at risk. They are concerned because intoxicated people tend to ignore safe distancing. ESP will continue to monitor the situation and consider returning to weekend patrols when members consider it is safe to do so.

#### **Scottish Fire & Rescue Service**

SFRS is restarting activity that had been suspended following COVID outbreak.

Firesetters has restarted, using online meetings. Face to face meeting will shortly restart with social distancing as required.

Partnership Working is continuing - road safety training has been delivered virtually and printed material has been distributed to schools.

#### **Skills Development Scotland**

NC drew partners' attention to SDS Funding for Training guidance (circulated with this minute). This guidance details various options for funding and their associated eligibility criteria.

#### **Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service**

Elgin Summary Court work is now operating.

First Diets are expected to recommence in early 2021.

There is a significant backlog in jury trials.

Defence agents report that they are having problems engaging with clients, making it difficult to receive instructions.

#### **Moray Youth Justice**

JT referred to the SCRA statistics. The upward trend in referrals had stopped in March 2020 and there had been a significant drop in referrals on offence grounds since then.

Additional money for Whole Systems Approach had enabled the recruitment of an additional Project Worker for early intervention work.

There has been an increase in anti-social behaviour incidents in recent months.

#### **Criminal Justice Social Work**

Unpaid Paid Work has been classified as 'essential work', which enables the bus to be used to transport clients to jobs (albeit with social distancing). This will help greatly.

CJSW is also assisting with Northern Scot's Christmas Toy Appeal and premises in Lossiemouth have been acquired for storing toys.

#### **Cllr Creswell**

Moray Firth Credit Union has just started a collection point at The Bow recovery café, Mondays 11.00 – 13.00. They have not yet

	<p>identified Elgin volunteers so members of the Forres team are covering as an interim measure.</p> <p>MFCU is about to distribute their final newsletter for 2020, notifying of the AGM on 8 December (virtually).</p>	
<b>9. Next meeting</b>	11.00 am on Thursday, 27 May 2021.	<b>All</b>