

**REPORT TO: HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE SERVICES COMMITTEE 28 MAY 2008**

**SUBJECT: CRIMINAL JUSTICE PERFORMANCE REPORT, FOURTH  
QUARTER, JANUARY – MARCH 2008**

**BY: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

1.1 The Committee is invited to scrutinise the Performance Indicators for Criminal Justice for the quarter, 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31st March 2008, as detailed in **APPENDIX 1** to the report.

1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of E(1) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the exercise of the function of the Council as Social Work Authority under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

**2.1 It is recommended that the Committee scrutinise the performance information contained within APPENDIX 1.**

**3. BACKGROUND**

3.1 The Criminal Justice Service has five indicators of which two are provided as data only. Of the remaining three indicators, two are regarded as performing well. Committee are asked to note the following:

**3.1.1 Criminal Justice Activity Analysis SAS7b**

All new probationers are given appointments to attend within 7 days of being sentenced. In this reporting period, there has been a twenty percent decline in the proportion of new probationers seen by a supervising officer within one week. All twenty new probationers were offered appointments within seven days with nine failing to attend. The people who did not attend offered a variety of reasons including work commitments and ill-health. Only two people failed to attend without making contact to offer an explanation or re-arrange their appointment.

**4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

**(a) Corporate Development Plan/Community Plan/Service Improvement Plan**

This report is in line with the Working Principles – Delivering the Plan, objective number 5, Accountable to the Public, within the Corporate Plan.

**(b) Policy and Legal**

This report covers the Criminal Justice reporting requirements for Audit & Performance Committee and the statutory reporting requirements of Audit Scotland.

**(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**

None

**(d) Consultations**

Consultation has taken place with the lead officer for Criminal Justice Services who is in agreement with information set out in **APPENDIX 1**.

**5. CONCLUSION**

- 5.1 It is recommended that the Committee scrutinise the Performance Indicators for Criminal Justice as detailed in **APPENDIX 1** to the report.

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