
To: North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

On: 12th December 2014

Report by: Chief Officer

Heading: HMP Inverclyde Throughcare Service

1. Summary

- 1.1** A new prison for women is being built by the Scottish Prison Service (SPS) to replace HMP Cornton Vale. The site for the new prison is on Inverkip Road at the outskirts of Greenock and it is planned to open in June 2017.
- 1.2** NSCJA has initiated a project to develop a Throughcare service for women being held in the prison to prepare them for release and support them on return to the community. There is a broad partnership of public and third sector organisations involved in the project including Inverclyde CHCP, Scottish Government Justice Directorate, SPS, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, NHS Scotland, SACRO, Turning Point Scotland and Families Outside.
- 1.3** A Governance Group has been established and is chaired by Sharon MacAlees, Inverclyde CHCP to provide oversight of the project. In addition an Operation Group has been created to design the new service. Key tasks for the latter group will be to (a) identify and communicate with key stakeholders, (b) develop a logic model for the service, (c) design the Throughcare service model and (d) prepare bids for funding as required.
- 1.4** It is intended both groups will meet three or four times per year with a number of sub groups set up to take the work forward. The immediate task is to create a communication strategy to include the requirements of both national and regional stakeholders. Early in 2015 we plan to hold a series of workshops to design the service.
- 1.5** The workplan at 2.6 has identified the immediate key milestones for creating the design of the new service. A consistent group of stakeholder representatives will be invited to participate in all three workshops.

1.6 A programme for the first workshop is attached as appendix 1.

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Activity / Purpose	Date / Venue	Outcome
Communications Workshop to identify key partners and develop strategic communications	04/09/2014	Communication Strategy - COMPLETED
Best practice workshop to achieve common understanding of what works best to support women who offend	January 2015 Polmont	Improved understanding of what works
Logic Model Workshop to clarify the processes of support and change that the service will provide	March 2015 Inverclyde	Logic Model for the service created
Service Design Workshop	April / May 2015 Glasgow	Options created and scored against Logic Model

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Authority is asked to note the content of this report.

3. Background

- 3.1** In October 2012, The Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Kenny MacAskill informed the Scottish Parliament that a new women only prison would be built in Inverclyde and two new specialist units for women would be set up inside HMP Edinburgh and HMP Grampian.
- 3.2** The Cabinet Secretary's announcement followed consideration of a report by The Scottish Commission on Women Offenders which recommended that HMP Cornton Vale be demolished and replaced with a smaller prison.

- 3.3** HMP Inverclyde has a design capacity for 300 women and will act as both a national facility for women with complex needs and a regional facility for the West of Scotland.

Implications of the Report

Equality & Human Rights

The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Authorities website.

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Best Practice Workshop
15/01/2015
Hosted by the Scottish Prison Service
SPS College, Polmont



0930	Arrival – Tea / Coffee	
1000	Welcome	Kate Donegan Project Executive Women Offenders Project Scottish Prison Service
1005	Outline of the Workshops Areas of Best Practice Workshops (1-4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GIRFEC ○ Scottish Prison Service ○ Scottish Government ○ What Works 	Jim Hunter Chief Officer North Strathclyde CJA
1015	Workshop 1	• • •
1045	Workshop 2	• • •
1115	Tea / Coffee	
1130	Workshop 3	• • •
1200	Workshop 4	• • •

1230	Lunch	
	Areas of Best Practice Workshops (5-8) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 218 Service ○ Shine Service ○ HMP Cornton Vale Social Work ○ Families Outside 	
1315	Workshop 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • •
1345	Workshop 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • •
1415	Tea / Coffee	
1430	Workshop 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • •
1500	Workshop 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • •
1530	Next Steps	Jim Hunter Chief Officer North Strathclyde CJA
1545	Close	

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Workshops Outline

The workshops will take the form of 8 cafe style presentations/discussions covering the area's listed with 4 workshops taking place in the morning and 4 in the afternoon.

The attendees will visit and participate in discussion at each of the 8 workshops.

Each workshop will consist of a short presentation by the facilitator on the area of good practice followed by questions/ discussion. Presentations will last for approx 10-15 min with the remaining 10-15 min used for questions / discussion.

Best Practice Workshops

GIRFEC	What is working well with the GIRFEC model which might be suitable to support women who offend.
Scottish Prison Service	What is your aspiration for the re-settlement of women prisoners
Scottish Government	What is the strategy for the development of women's services and where does HMP Inverclyde fit in.
What works to reduce reoffending	General review of the academic research and a specific focus on what works with women
218 Service	What has worked well in support women who offend in the community. Also include things to avoid.
Shine Service	What has worked well in supporting women prisoners re-settle in the community. Also things to avoid.
Families Outside	What is the current best practice to support women who offend and have families. Also things to avoid.
HMP Cornton Vale Social Work	What has worked well and what could be done to support long term (and STPs) women in both prison and in preparation for release / resettlement.