

Notice of Meeting and Agenda North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

Date	Time	Venue
Friday, 16 December 2016	10:45	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

KENNETH GRAHAM Clerk

Meeting Details

The meeting will take place at 10.45 am or at the conclusion of the reconvened meeting of the North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority whichever is the later.

Membership

Councillors Robertson (Argyll & Bute Council); O'Donnell (East Dunbartonshire Council); Lafferty (East Renfrewshire Council); McIlwee (Inverclyde Council); Williams (Renfrewshire Council); and Casey (West Dunbartonshire Council).

Convener - Councillor Williams

Further Information

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Items of business

Apologies

Apologies from members.

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

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Note of inquorate meeting of the Authority held on 9 September 2016.

2 Revenue Budget Monitoring

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3 Administration Grant Revenue Budget Monitoring

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Report by Treasurer and Chief Officer.

4 Audited Annual Accounts 2015/16

Report by Treasurer and Chief Officer. Issued to members only as accounts are confidential until laid before Parliament.

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Report by Chief Officer.

North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority Annual Report 2016/17

Report by Chief Officer.

7 Community Justice Scotland

Verbal briefing by Karyn McCluskey, Chief Executive.

8 Date of Next Meeting

Note that the next meeting of the Authority will be held at 10.30 am on Friday 17 March 2017 in Renfrewshire House.

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Note of Inquorate Meeting North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

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Friday, 09 September 2016		Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

PRESENT

Councillors Robertson (Argyll & Bute Council); Lafferty (East Renfrewshire Council) and Williams (Renfrewshire Council).

IN ATTENDANCE

J Hunter, Chief Officer and W Kennedy, Planning Officer (both North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority); J Belton and L Long (Argyll & Bute Council); K Gardner (East Dunbartonshire Council); A Howard (Inverclyde Council); and P Macleod, G McLachlan, L Mullin and E Currie (all Renfrewshire Council).

PARTNER

Inspector Kirkwood (Police Scotland).

1. QUORUM

Fifteen minutes after the appointed time for the meeting a quorum was not present and in terms of Standing Order 14 (a) the meeting stood adjourned.

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NORTH STRATHCLYDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE AUTHORITY

To: North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

On: 16 December 2016

Report by: The Treasurer and the Chief Officer

Heading: Section 27 Revenue Budget Monitoring Report Q2

1. Summary Budget Position

1.1 Expenditure on core services is expected to be £92,129 over budget and expenditure on non-core services is expected to be £2,729 under budget resulting in an anticipated net over spend of £89,400.

Any overspend which exists at the year end is required to be met by the relevant Authority.

Details of the budget performance are discussed in point 3 below.

2 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that members consider the report.

3 Budget Performance

Current Position: £89,400 overspend Previously Reported: £129,461 overspend

3.1 Argyll Bute and Dunbartonshire are projecting an overspend of £41,922. This is mainly due to the pressure within the employee costs to meet the turnover target.

East Renfrewshire are projecting an overspend of £48,275. This is a result of the recruitment process taking less time than anticipated and additional costs relating to Drug Treatment and Testing Orders (DTTO).

Inverclyde are projecting to break-even.

Renfrewshire are projecting an underspend of £797.

4 Implications of this Report

4.1 Financial implications – Net expenditure of the NSCJA will be contained within the resources allocated by the Scottish Government.

NORTH STRATHCLYDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE AUTHORITY 2016/17

	2016-17 ALLOCATION	VIREMENT PROPOSAL	REVISED	ACTUAL SPEND AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2016	PROJECTED SPEND TO 31 MARCH 2017	VARIANCE
Renfrewshire	£2,417,061	03	£2,417,061	£993,749	£2,423,072	(£6,011)
Inverciyde	£1,198,260	0 3	£1,198,260	£592,338	£1,211,330	(£13,070)
East Renfrewshire	£390,960	£28,003	£418,963	£199,109	£451,474	(£32,512)
Argyll Bute & Duns Partnership	£2,837,483	£142,600	£2,980,083	£1,463,306	£3,020,619	(£40,536)
TOTAL CORE SERVICES	£6,843,764	£170,603	£7,014,367	£3,248,502	£7,106,495	(£92,129)
Renfrewshire	£2,037,815	03	£2,037,815	£518,964	£2,031,007	808'93
Inverclyde	£512,410	03	£512,410	£373,210	£499,340	£13,070
East Renfrewshire	£87,263	(£28,003)	£59,260	£61,167	£75,023	(£15,763)
Argyll Bute & Duns Partnership	£526,504	(£83,355)	£383,904	£172,380	£385,290	(£1,386)
TOTAL NON CORE SERVICES	£3,163,992	(£111,358)	£2,993,389	£1,125,721	£2,990,660	£2,729
Renfrewshire	£4,454,876	03	£4,454,876	£1,512,713	£4,454,079	26 2 3
Inverciyde	£1,710,670	03	£1,710,670	£965,548	£1,710,670	03
East Renfrewshire	£478,223	03	£478,223	£260,276	£526,497	(£48,275)
Argyll Bute & Duns Partnership	£3,363,987	£59,245	£3,363,987	£1,635,686	£3,405,909	(£41,922)
TOTAL ALL SERVICES	£10,007,756	£59,245	£10,007,756	£4,374,223	£10,097,155	(£89,400)

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NORTH STRATHCLYDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE AUTHORITY

To: North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

On: 16 December 2016

Report by: The Treasurer and the Chief Officer

Heading: Administration Grant Revenue Budget Monitoring Report

1. Summary Budget Position

1.1 Expenditure against the Administration Grant is currently projected to result in a break even position. Details of the expected expenditure are attached to this report.

2 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that members consider the report.

3 Budget Performance

Current Position: Break even Previously Reported: Break even

3.1 Expenditure is currently projected to show a break even position against the Administration Grant available.

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COMMUNITY JUSTICE AUTHORITIES ADMINISTRATION COSTS 2016-2017

NORTH STRATHCLYDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE AUTHORITY EXPENDITURE

Description	Budget	Projected Expenditure to 31st March 2017	Variance
Employee Costs			
Salary Costs	£131,479	£131,451	£28
Superannuation	£20,726	£20,721	£5
NI	£14,773	£14,772	£1
Travel and Subsistence	£3,500	£3,500	£0
Staff Training	£1,000	£834	£166
Property Costs			
Rent & Rates	£15,900	£15,900	£0
Hire of Halls	£2,000	£2,000	£0
Electricity	£400	£400	£0
Contract Cleaning	£96	£96	£0
Other Property Costs	£500	£700	-£200
Supplies & Services			
Provisions	£1,100	£1,100	£0
Other Supplies & Services	£150	£150	£0
Office Equipment			£0
Administration Costs			
Printing and Stationery	£100	£100	£0
Postages	£100	£100	£0
Telephones	£800	£800	£0
Members expenses	£3,959	£3,959	£0
Other admin costs	£1,000	£1,000	£0
Employers liability	£2,800	£2,800	£0
Other Agencies, Bodies			
Payments to Other Local Authorities	£22,400	£22,400	£0
Auditors	£4,375	£4,375	£0
GROSS EXPENDITURE	£227,158	£227,158	£0

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To: North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority

On: 16th December 2016

Report by: Chief Officer

Heading: Final NSCJA Progress Report

1. Summary

1.1 Financial Position

As members have just heard from the lead Finance Officer, the most recent budget monitoring reports show that both the Section 27 grant and the NSCJA Administration grant are on target to come in on budget. This position includes the additional allocation of £393,683 of Section 27 grant to the local authorities as follows:

Argyll, Bute and Dunbartonshires CJ Partnership	£161,410
East Renfrewshire	£ 23,621
Inverclyde	£ 70,863
Renfrewshire	£137,789

Total £393,683

A report on this allocation was submitted by the Chief Officer to the meeting of NSCJA on 9th September 2016. As that meeting was inquorate members are required to approve the above proposed additional grant allocation.

In preparation for a handover of NSCJA Accountable Officer duties from the Chief Officer to the Director of Finance, Renfrewshire Council, a meeting has taken place and a joint financial statement drafted (attached at appendix 1). This sets out when and how the transfer will happen.

There is a final Section 27 budget monitoring meeting diaried for 22nd February 2017 at 2pm in the NSCJA Offices. It would be helpful and also prudent for the NSCJA Convener and the Director of Finance, Renfrewshire Council to attend this meeting to assist with an orderly transfer of duties.

At the beginning of November, the Scottish Government wrote to all 32 local authorities providing an indicative allocation to them for 2017/18 using the new funding formula. There were some qualifications identified in the letter which could mean the final grant allocations are different but on balance the Scottish Government thought it best to give local authorities an early indication of what they might receive. The letter also included an offer to meet with local authorities to discuss concerns they may have. NSCJA will not be allocating this grant so this is for members information only.

In conclusion, I am happy with the financial position of the Section 27, the NSCJA Administration Grant, the planned arrangements for the transfer of accountable officer duties and final financial monitoring arrangements.

1.2 NSCJA Assets

In guidance for closure of the CJAs the Scottish Government advised that CJAs can choose how to dispose of assets with a value of less than £1,000. NSCJA Asset Inventory (attached as Appendix 2) lists all such assets of NSCJA none of which have a value greater than £1,000. Our IT equipment is not included within the attached inventory as it is the property of Renfrewshire Council.

We intend to offer our assets to our partners to use within their organisation and plan to hold an open day in January within our office for partners to attend to view and reserve items. We will ask partners to uplift items during the week beginning 13th March 2017. Any items left over will be offered to local charitable groups.

Finally, during the last two weeks in March 2017 Renfrewshire Council will remove and relocate our IT infrastructure and hardware from the office before our lease on our office terminates on 31/03/2017.

1.3 NSCJA Accommodation

As previously reported to members, the lease on our office in Paisley terminates on 31st March 2017. There is a final one off charge to redecorate and recarpet the office of approximately £1,000. This charge will be met from the Administration Grant in advance of 31st March 2017.

1.4 Other minor contracts / issues

There are minor contracts with drinking water suppliers, external water, electricity supply (which will require a final meter reading) and other minor issues which have been captured in the NSCJA disestablishment Plan which is updated and attached as Appendix 3 o this report. We do not foresee any difficulties is exiting these contracts or dealing with any issues.

1.5 HR Issues

A separate HR report has been submitted by the lead local authority. As far as I am aware there are no outstanding HR issues and CJA staff are satisfied with the arrangements which have been put to them.

1.6 Meeting of NSCJA 17th March 2017

Given the above including the arrangements to transfer Accountable Officer duties and the arrangements to continue to monitor the Section 27 and Administration Grants it is not anticipated that there will be any reports requiring Board approval at the Board planned for 17th March 2017.

After discussion with the officers from Committee Services it is proposed that the meeting planned for 17th March 2017 remains in diaries and if there are no reports requiring Board approval that the NSCJA Convener take the decision to cancel the meeting and notify members accordingly.

1.7 Community Justice Scotland

The Chief Executive and Convener of Community Justice Scotland were appointed in September and have began to meet with stakeholders and making preparations to establish the organisation which will be based in Edinburgh. The Chief Executive, Karyn McCluskey is intending to attend the NSCJA Board so may wish to say a few word on recent progress.

2. Recommendations

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

- 2.2 Request that the Convener in consultation with the Chief Officer assess the need for a further CJA board meeting on 17th March 2017 and advise members accordingly.
- 2.3 Request that the Chief Officer in consultation with the Convener write to members before the disestablishment of the CJA to provide assurance that all matters relating to closure are in order.

3. Background

3.1 The Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 will take forward the legislative change necessary to establish a new model for community justice. The new model seeks to deliver better outcomes for communities by promoting a collaborative approach to the planning and delivery of improved outcomes, putting decision-making in the hands of local communities and agencies that are best-placed to assess local needs. Arrangements will be made at a national level to provide strategic leadership; enhanced opportunities for innovation, learning and development; and assurance on the delivery of improved outcomes. The model also recognises stakeholder views that community justice services should be person-centred, evidence-based and make best use of resources.

In particular, the Act will:

- Place responsibility for the local planning and delivery of improved outcomes for community justice with a defined set of community justice partners (including local authorities, NHS boards, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Health & Social Care Integration joint boards, Skills Development Scotland, the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service and Scottish Ministers in their role as the Scottish Prison Service);
- Place duties on these community justice partners to engage in local strategic planning and be accountable for this;
- Require the development of a national strategy and a performance framework in relation to community justice;
- Create a national body to provide leadership, promote innovation, learning and development; provide assurance to Scottish Ministers on the delivery of outcomes; and to provide improvement support where it is required;
- Promote a focus on collaboration including the opportunity to commission, manage or deliver services nationally where appropriate.

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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Financial Joint Statement

This is a statement of measures agreed jointly by the Chief Officer, North Strathclyde Community Justice Authority (NSCJA) and the Director of Finance and Resources, Renfrewshire Council to transfer financial responsibility from the NSCJA Chief Officer to the Director with effect from 1 April 2017.

The transfer of financial responsibilities is necessary to ensure an orderly closure of NSCJA on 31st March 2017 as required by the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2015.

The Chief Officer will remain Accountable Officer for NSCJA until midnight 31st March 2017. After that the Director of Finance and Resources will take on the Accountable Officer responsibility to ensure the final NSCJA Annual Accounts (2016/17) are signed off and submitted to the Scottish Government by end November 2017.

- 1. The Chief Officer will provide a list of required accruals and prepayments to the Director of Finance and Resources by 24th March 2017.
- 2. The Chief Officer will return the NSCJA Petty Cash reconciliation to the nominated officer at Renfrewshire Council by 17th March 2017.
- 3. The Chief Officer will return the NSCJA Corporate Purchasing Card registered to William Kennedy by 17th March 2017.
- 4. The Director of Finance and Resources will request the Scottish Government release the 2.5% Section 27 grant retention and administration grant; and distribute as appropriate to the NSCJA constituent local authorities upon the Scottish Government receiving a final audited claim for 2016/17.
- 5. The Chief Officer will provide the Director of Finance and Resources with a list of asset disposals by 17th March 2017. A copy will also be sent to the Scottish Government.
- 6. The Director of Finance and Resources will liaise with the Scottish Government to finalise any grant due to the NSCJA, or repayable by the NSCJA, following submission of audited annual accounts.

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NSCJA Inventory Inventory of Furniture / Other Items 20/02/2015

It am	Quantity at
Item	20/07/2016
3 drawer pedestals	3
Air Con Machine	1
Answer Machine	1
Audio Typing - Transcription	1
Bin	5
Binder Machine	1
Chair	18
Desk Chairs	4
Christmas Tree	1
Clock	2
Coat Stand	2
Date Board	1
Desks	4
Digital Camera	1
Fan	3
Fire Extinguisher	3
First Aid Box	1
Flavia Coffee Machine	1
Flip Charts	2
Foot rest	3
Four Drawer filing cabinets	2
Fridge	1
Kettle	1
Laminator	1
Laptop riser	2
Large sliding door Cupboard	3
Large Whiteboard	1
Letter Tray	8
Magazine Holders	6
Microwave	1
Phone	4
Pin Board	4
Projection Screen	1
Projector	1
Radio	1
Rectangle folding tables	4
Round Table	
	1
semi circle folding table	1 2
Shredder	
Side Table	1
Small Cupboard 2 door	1
Small Sliding Door Cupboard	2
Travelling Case	1
Tub Chair (Blue)	2

Uplighter	4
Vacuum Jug	5
Various Crockery	1
Various Stationery	1
White Board	2



Disestablishment Plan 2016 -2017

RAG	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Progress	Complete	Completed	Initial meetings held. Follow up meetings set up. Complete	Ongoing – The website will be taken down in March 2017	Initial discussion held with partners at the APIG on 28/10/16. Open day planned for 25/01/16 with pickups arranged for w/b 13/03/17. Inventory sent to partners.	Safer and Stronger resignation submitted. NSCJA Literacies resignation submitted. Dorothy Hawthorn taking over chair of LM PSP Governance Group. Resignation submitted from LCJB and Sheriff Principal meeting.	Convener to take de3cision after finance meeting 22/2/17 and advise members accordingly.		Checked. No mention of legislative frequency for meetings. Schedule Set by NSCJA.	Possibly Christmas Card with message
Notes	Condition of Grant amended for 2016/17. No Annual Report needed.	Renfrewshire continuing arrangement with T&DO for a further 6 months until 30/09/16	Meetings held with IT & Finance. CS meeting taking place on 11/10. Follow up meeting with IT to be arranged. ITC will draw up project plan.	Website to be closed as of 00:00 on 31/03/17. Contact Realise to arrange.	Take report to CJA board in December for approval. Disposal - initially invite partners to pick what they want. If anything remains it would be offered to Charities for collection then as a last resort would be collected by a Waste Management Company.	 NSCJA Literacies SACRO Pilot Bail Supervision MAPPA SOG Local Criminal Justice Board Sheriff Principals Meeting Low Moss PSP Governance Group BAFC PSP Governance Group Shine PSP Governance Group Shine PSP Governance Group OPHI Safer and Stronger Low Moss PSP Operational Group 	Ask committee services to report on any amendments. Discuss final Board December 2016.	Annual Report 2016/17	Is there a legislative requirement to hold 4 meetings per annum.	Chief Officer to write to all partners thanking for last 10 years.
Timescale	End March 2016	March 2016	August 2016	March 2017	March 2017	December 2016	December 2016			January/ February 2017
Responsible Person	ON/HC	HC	Hſ	VQ	All	ЭН/МК	All/ Board	Board	WK/VQ	НГ
Activity Area	Amend Conditions of Grant for 2016/17 allocation.	SLA with T&DO	Renfrewshire Finance, IT and Corporate Services	Website	Disposal of all assets.	Resign/ Withdraw from partnership groups	Discuss final Board Meeting Date	Final CJA Board	Check relevant legislation re Board Meetings frequency.	Letter of thanks to all partners.

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February 2017

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Draft Joint Financial Statement prepared. Sent to Finance for input / amendments. Director of Finance and Resources will assume responsible officer role	Director of Finance and Resources will assume responsible officer role and sign off accounts.	Included in Joint Financial Statement	Ongoing discussion with SG	Annual Report completed and submitted to board	Price received for redecoration of office. £375 + vat. No other additional costs identified.	Formal notice and offer of severance received. Staff decisions made	Renfrewshire will take responsibility	All leave allocation has been arranged prior to end date.	Agree return to Finance 17/03/17. Ensure all transactions are logged and closed.	Discussed at meeting with Finance.	Discussed at meeting with Finance. List to be prepared	Discussed at meeting with Finance. Return 17/03/17.
Sign over 31.03.17 discuss with Finance to whom.	New Accountable Officer to sign off	2.5% retention will be paid to Renfrewshire. New Accountable Officer responsible for disbursement.	Issue raised with SG for SG to take forward	Due 30/01/17 to go to December Board for approval	No additional costs.	Contacts confirmed and letters issued 10/08/16 to arrange meetings	Where should invoices be sent / who is liable for cost?	All Leave to be taken prior to 31/03/17	Discuss at meeting with Finance.	Reminder re VAT		Ensure that no petty cash left at 31.3.17
						December 2016			17/03/17		31/03/17	17/03/17
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Accountable Officer	2016/17 Annual Accounts	S27 retention	New procedures for ISP payments to Local Authorities.	Submission date for 2016/17 Annual Report.	Additional Costs for 2016/17	CJA Staff Discussions with Local Authorities HR & Finance	Unbudgeted spends after 31/03/17	Outstanding Annual Leave 2017.	Close corporate purchasing card	Administration Grant Invoices	Accruals and Repayments 2016/17	Petty Cash