**NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR COMMUNITY JUSTICE: REVISION CONSULTATION**

**RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM**

**Please Note** this form **must** be completed and returned with your response.

To find out how we handle your personal data, please see our privacy policy: <https://www.gov.scot/privacy/>

Are you responding as an individual or an organisation?

[ ]  Individual

[ ]  Organisation

Full name or organisation’s name

Phone number

Address

Postcode

Email Address

**Information for organisations:**

The option 'Publish response only (without name)’ is available for individual respondents only. If this option is selected, the organisation name will still be published.

If you choose the option 'Do not publish response', your organisation name may still be listed as having responded to the consultation in, for example, the analysis report.

The Scottish Government would like your

permission to publish your consultation

response. Please indicate your publishing

preference:

[ ]  Publish response with name

[ ]  Publish response only (without name)

[ ]  Do not publish response

We will share your response internally with other Scottish Government policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for Scottish Government to contact you again in relation to this consultation exercise?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

**LIST OF CONSULTATION QUESTIONS**

Scottish Government would like your feedback on the National Strategy for Community Justice: Revision Consultation. The questions are focused on key aspects of the revised strategy included within the consultation document (section 7). Please read the consultation document before responding.

**National Strategy for Community Justice - Aims**

The draft national aims for the revised National Strategy for Community Justice are:

**Aim 1:** Optimise the use of diversion and intervention at the earliest opportunity

**Aim 2:** Ensure that robust and consistent community interventions and public
 protection arrangements are in place across Scotland

**Aim 3:** Ensure that services are available to address the needs of individuals
 accused or convicted of an offence

**Aim 4:** Strengthen leadership, engagement, and partnership working

1. Is the wording of the four national aims understandable?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

If you answered no, please provide further explanation:

1. Do you think the four national aims capture the most important aspects of community justice?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

 If you answered no, please provide further explanation:

1. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the national aims for the revised National Strategy for Community Justice?

| National Aims | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly agree |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Aim 1: Optimise the use of diversion and intervention at the earliest opportunity | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Aim 2: Ensure that robust and consistent community interventions and public protection arrangements are in place across Scotland | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Aim 3: Ensure that services are available to address the needs of individuals accused or convicted of an offence | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| Aim 4: Strengthen leadership, engagement, and partnership working | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

Do you have any further comments on the National Aims?

**National Strategy for Community Justice - Priority Actions**

In February 2022, the Scottish Government published consultation feedback on the review of the current National Strategy for Community Justice. Informed by the responses to this review and other evidence and engagement, priority actions have been developed under each of the national aims. The priority actions should support the national aims.

1. To what extent do you agree/disagree that these community justice priority actions will contribute to the achievement of national Aim 1 (Optimise the use of diversion and intervention at the earliest opportunity)?

| Priority actions for Aim 1 | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly agree |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. Enhance early intervention by ensuring greater consistency, confidence in and awareness of services which support the use of direct measures and diversion from prosecution | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 2. Improve support for vulnerable individuals by ensuring the provision of consistent, equitable and accessible immediate support in a crisis and screening within Police Custody Centres | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 3. Improve support following arrest by ensuring substance use and mental health services are available and appropriate referrals take place at the earliest opportunity | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

1. Do you have any further comments or suggested changes on how these priority actions will contribute to achieving Aim 1 (Optimise the use of diversion and intervention at the earliest opportunity)?
2. To what extent do you agree/disagree that these community justice priority actions will contribute to the achievement of national Aim 2 (Ensure that robust and consistent community interventions and public protection arrangements are in place across Scotland)?

| Priority actions for Aim 2 | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly agree |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 4. Support the use of credible and robust alternatives to remand by ensuring high quality services are consistently available and delivered effectively | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 5. Strengthen supported management in the community by increasing and widening the use of electronic monitoring and technologies | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 6. Ensure that those given community sentences are managed appropriately and safely by delivering high quality, consistently available, trauma-informed services and programmes that support public protection | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 7. Ensure restorative justice is available across Scotland to all those who wish to access it by ensuring consistent provision and effective promotion of available services | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

1. Do you have any further comments or suggested changes on how these priority actions will contribute to achieving Aim 2 (Ensure that robust and consistent community interventions and public protection arrangements are in place across Scotland)?
2. To what extent do you agree/disagree that these community justice priority actions will contribute to the achievement of national Aim 3 (Ensure that services are available to address the needs of individuals accused or convicted of an offence)?

| Priority actions for Aim 3 | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly agree |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 8. Enhance individuals’ access to health and social care and continuity of care following release from prison by improving the sharing of information between relevant partners | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 9. Ensure that the housing needs of individuals in prison are addressed consistently and at an early stage by fully implementing and embedding the SHORE standards across all local authority areas | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 10. Enhance individual’s readiness for employment by ensuring increased access to employability support through effective education, learning, training, careers services and relevant benefit services | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 11. Enhance community integration and support by increasing and promoting greater consistency in the use of voluntary throughcare and third sector services  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

1. Do you have any further comments or suggested changes on how these priority actions will contribute to achieving Aim 3 (Ensure that services are available to address the needs of individuals accused or convicted of an offence)?
2. To what extent do you agree/disagree that these community justice priority actions will contribute to the achievement of national Aim 4 (Strengthen leadership, engagement, and partnership working)?

| Priority actions for Aim 4 | Strongly disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly agree |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 12. Deliver improved community justice outcomes by ensuring that effective leadership arrangements are in place and working well, collaborating with partners and planning strategically | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 13. Enhance partnership planning and implementation by ensuring the voices of victims, survivors, those with lived experience and their families are effectively incorporated  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |
| 14. Support integration and reduce stigma by ensuring the local community and workforce have an improved understanding of and confidence in community justice | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  | [ ]  |

1. Do you have any further comments or suggested changes on how these priority actions will contribute to achieving Aim 4 (Strengthen leadership, engagement, and partnership working)?

**Other**

1. Do you have any other comments on the National Strategy for Community Justice: Revision Consultation document that were not captured in the national aims and priority actions questions?