



# Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016

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- (1) A third sector body is involved in community justice for the purposes of this Act if it—
  - (a) provides a service falling within subsection (2), or
  - (b) represents or promotes the interests of—
    - (i) persons mentioned in subsection (4), or
    - (ii) other persons who are or may be affected by community justice (see subsection (5)).
- (2) A service falls within this subsection if the service—
  - (a) is provided to persons falling within section 1(3), (6) or (7) and involves managing or supporting them with a view to eliminating or reducing future offending by them, or
  - (b) is provided to persons who are being prepared for release, having been convicted of offences and sentenced to imprisonment or detention in penal institutions, and involves preparing them for that release.
- (3) In subsection (2)(a), “supporting” has the same meaning as in section 1(1)(b).
- (4) The persons referred to in subsection (1)(b)(i) are persons who—
  - (a) fall within section 1(3), (6) or (7), or
  - (b) are being prepared for release, having been convicted of offences and sentenced to imprisonment or detention in penal institutions.
- (5) The persons referred to in subsection (1)(b)(ii) include, in particular—
  - (a) families of persons mentioned in subsection (4),
  - (b) victims and families of victims.
- (6) In subsection (5)(b), “victims” means persons who are, or appear to be, victims of offences or alleged offences.
- (7) A third sector body is involved in community justice in relation to the area of a local authority for the purposes of this Act if it does a thing mentioned in subsection (1) in, or in relation to, the area.