

Criminal Justice Act 1972

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PART IV

Administrative Provisions

52 Functions of probation and after-care committees in relation to community service orders

- (1) A probation and after-care committee may, with the approval of the Secretary of State, secure that arrangements for persons to perform work under community service orders are made for their area or, if it comprises more than one petty sessional division, for any of those divisions.
- (2) Where in pursuance of this section a probation and aftercare committee secure the making of such arrangements as aforesaid, they shall appoint a sub-committee (to be known as the " community service committee") to superintend the working of the arrangements; and the community service committee shall consist of—
 - (a) such members of the probation and after-care committee; and
 - (b) such other persons (not being justices of the peace),

as may be appointed by the probation and after-care committee, but so that the number of persons appointed under paragraph (b) of this subsection shall not exceed the number of those appointed under paragraph (a).

- (3) For the purposes of any arrangements made pursuant to this section for the whole or any part of the area of a probation and after-care committee, that committee shall have power—
 - (a) to appoint such staff as the committee think requisite;
 - (b) to provide accommodation, equipment, materials and transport;
 - (c) to make payments to any society or body in respect of services rendered by them ;
 - (d) to defray travelling and other expenses in connection with the performance of work by persons in respect of whom community service orders are in force.

- (4) In paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 to the Criminal Justice Act 1948 (power of Secretary of State to make rules about probation and after-care committees and probation officers) references to those committees and to probation officers shall respectively include references to any community service committee and to staff appointed under this section.
- (5) Section 36 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1949 (travelling and subsistence allowances etc.) shall have effect as if—
 - (a) any person appointed to a community service committee under subsection (2)
 (b) of this section were a member of the probation and after-care committee by whom he is appointed ; and
 - (b) duties performed by a person as a member of a community service committee were performed by him as a member of the probation and after-care committee by whom that committee is appointed.