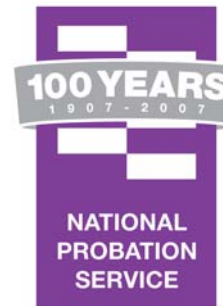


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The Bulletin has been improved for easier on-screen reading. It now summaries new content placed on Epic (<http://npsintranet.probation.gsi.gov.uk/index.htm>) in the previous week and significant messages that have been circulated on the Chief Officer gateway. Articles can now be read by either scrolling down the page or by clicking the titles below:

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237/07 CJS STRATEGIC PLAN 2008-11

Working together to cut crime and deliver justice: *A Strategic Plan for Criminal Justice 2008-2011* was published on Thursday 15 November 2007, and is available on Epic.

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Further information can be found on <http://www.justice.gov.uk/news/newsrelease151107.htm>

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238/07 MIDLANDS EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Staffordshire Probation Area has been chosen as a finalist in the Midlands Excellence Awards. The winners will be announced at a ceremony at the International Convention Centre in Birmingham in January.

The awards are open to private, public and voluntary sector organisations and are based on the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) Excellence Model, also known as the Business Excellence Model.

This follows Staffordshire's achievement of the Investors in Excellence Standard which measures the all-round excellence of an organisation based on the EFQM model. It covers all key performance areas including leadership, processes, people and customer results.

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239/07 SERCO/GROUP 4 SECURICOR (G4S) MONITORING LEAFLETS

Serco Monitoring leaflets and a G4S Curfew leaflet is available to download from Epic.

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240/07 VICTIMS OF CRIME – SURVEY RESULTS

An ICM survey for the Ministry of Justice of 1,085 victims of non-violent crime in the UK found that almost half (49%) placed punishment as the most important part of an offender's sentence, with reparation "payback" second most important (43%) and "rehabilitation" third (36%).

But while punishment comes top, a further survey of victims found that 81% would prefer an offender to receive an *effective* sentence rather than a harsh one with nearly two thirds (63%) disagreeing that prison is always the best way to punish someone.

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241/07 APPOINTMENTS

Permanent Secretary Alex Allan announced his departure from the Ministry of Justice on 15 November 2007, and introduced his replacement, Suma Chakrabarti, formerly Permanent Secretary of the Department for International Development.

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242/07 ISSUED RECENTLY

Probation Circulars 2007:

PC36 Managing Drug Misusers Under Probation Supervision: Guidance for Probation, CJITS and CARAT Teams Issued 2 November

OASys Messages to Areas – Via Epic

Message 073 07 4.2.3 Deployment to Pre-Release (T1) Environments Issued 9 November

Message 072 07 Custody Threshold on Drop Down Menu Issued 9 November

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