

Consultation on Developing a Community Justice Approach in East Lothian

Summary of Main Findings

Thank you for responding to our consultation on Community Justice, we received a total of 291 responses. Here is a summary of some of the main findings:

1. More than 50% of people knew what was meant by the term 'Community Justice'.
2. Around 80% of people did not know locally of:
 - Community Justice initiatives
 - Groups seeking to prevent offending or reduce reoffending
 - Organisations supporting families and children of people in prison
3. More than 80% of people thought providing advice to people who had offended was fairly or very important.
4. Around 70% of people were not aware of / had not seen Community Payback teams in their area.
5. People made suggestions about work that could be undertaken.
6. Over 80% of people thought it was fairly or very important people were more involved in the design and delivery of services.
7. The majority of people identified that it was 'fairly' or 'very important' to tackle stigma in relation to:
 - Promoting an understanding of community justice
 - Working with employers
 - Promoting the contribution of community payback teams
 - Speaking to landlords
 - Supporting families of people with convictions

What we have done with the responses:

The information from the consultation has helped to inform the development of our **draft Community Justice Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP)** and some of the feedback received is reflected in the plan.