

Justice is Working | Winter 2009

Welcome to the third issue of **Justice is Working** from Gloucestershire Criminal Justice Board.

Gloucestershire's first Justice Awards

Know someone who's done a fantastic job? Someone who's gone the extra mile? Someone who deserves to be recognised for their achievements in the field of criminal justice?

Why not nominate them for a justice award? [Click here](#) to nominate.

There are 5 weeks left before nominations close at midday on Friday 13th February.

Supporting victims of domestic abuse

A new service is now available in Gloucestershire for all agencies and individuals seeking support with domestic abuse. The Gloucestershire Central Allocation and Referral Point (CARP) aims to:



- Build a support network for both individuals and agencies
- Keep victims safe with safety planning and advice
- Keep victims' children safe
- Supply housing and finance advice
- Provide multi-agency risk management

This service is provided by Gloucestershire Against Domestic Abuse which is part of the Novas Scarman Group Ltd.

Contact CARP on 0845 602 9035

Confiscating the proceeds of crime



Did you know that over £1.7million in ill-gotten gains has been confiscated from criminals in Gloucestershire since April?

The Attorney General, Baroness Scotland, recently summed up why asset confiscation is such an effective tool in the fight against crime:

"Criminals thought of prison as an occupational hazard, safe in the knowledge that when they emerged through the prison gates they could return to their comfortable lifestyles ... asset recovery disrupts the criminal economy. It makes life difficult for those who like to turn a dishonest penny. Criminals find their working capital is disappearing and their fellow crooks lose confidence in them... their standing within the community fails."

New crime mapping service now available

Gloucestershire Police has launched a website that allows the public to search for the latest crime statistics in individual areas. Visitors to 'Crimemapper' can search for crime rates and total crime figures in their area by typing a place name or postcode into the search field or by using an interactive map.



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Local Crime Mapping

Crime can then be broken down into five different categories such as burglary and anti-social behaviour, and compared to the same period last year. [Click here](#) to visit the website

2008-2011 Business Plan

The Board has submitted its Business Plan to the Office for Criminal Justice Reform and we are currently waiting feedback.

There is a Strategic Plan, plus a Delivery Plan for each of our three sub-

DIARY DATES

GCJB's Annual Seminar & Workshop
23 January 2009

Delegates will be examining the challenges and opportunities for the CJS in the light of the current economic downturn. We will be looking at how we can plan for the future in 2009/10 in order to maintain public confidence, prevent crime and reduce re-offending.

Justice Awards

Nominations close 13th February at midday. This is your last chance to nominate someone for a local Justice Award. The Winners' Ceremony will be taking place in March.

[Nominate Now](#)

Media Briefing March 2009

Board members will be meeting with journalists and editors from the local press, tv and radio during March.

Board Meeting Dates

Dates when full Board meetings will be taking place have now been set for the next year:

4th March 2009
8th May 2009
15th July 2009
14th Sept 2009
18th November 2009

8th January 2010
3rd February 2010
11th March 2010

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Au revoir to Chief Probation Officer

We have recently waved goodbye to **Yvette Ball**, Chief Probation Officer, as she moves to Surrey Probation Area on an 18 month secondment. John Bensted will be Acting Chief Probation Officer and will be joining the Board in that capacity.

The Board has also welcomed **Andy Champness**, Chief Executive of the Police Authority, who has joined as a non-voting member.

[Click here](#) for details of who sits on Gloucestershire Criminal Justice Board.

We hope you find our newsletter informative. Look out for the next issue in Spring 2009. If you have any feedback on this issue please [click here](#) to email us.

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