

Probation in Lancashire

Priorities in 2006–2007



LANCASHIRE

What we plan to do:

- Deliver our full range of probation services with priority to protect the public from harm, working with other agencies to cut crime and reduce re-offending
- Deliver our services of assessing and managing offenders and delivering interventions with them and deliver these services to the levels commissioned by the North West Regional Offender Manager.
- Consolidate our Area's progress in implementing modernisation in accordance with the national model for managing offenders and delivering interventions.
- Implement the national Reducing Re-offending Action Plan at local and regional level
- Provide timely and high quality service to the victims of serious sexual and other violent crime
- Embed equality and diversity within our Area organisation and in the services we provide and develop greater involvement of the community and voluntary sectors in our work

Working with the courts, we shall ensure that we:

- Provide high quality advice to assist judges and magistrates in making the best use of the sentencing options

What we shall deliver	National performance target
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting the public from harm Timely assessment & management of high risk offenders Focus on prolific and priority offenders to cut re-offending 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 90% completed within timescale ▶ 38% of offenders crime-free outcome
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serving the Courts Timely reports to courts Help speed justice by more 'Fast Delivery Reports' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 90% completed within timescale ▶ 40% of all reports to be fast delivery
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforcement and compliance Timely action against offenders breaking Order or Licence. Sustain performance on breach within timescale. Appointments arranged with offenders to National Standards % of appointments attended by offenders in first 26 weeks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 90% within National Standards time scale ▶ 90% within National Standards time scale ▶ Within the national target ▶ Within the national target
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interventions with offenders to reduce offending Offenders completing unpaid work requirement Drug rehabilitation (treatment and testing) Accredited Programmes tackling offending behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 1372 offenders completing ▶ 475 starting rehabilitation 165 completing ▶ 586 offenders completing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offenders' education to improve employability Offenders starting basic skills awards Offenders placed into employment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 1425 offenders starting ▶ 445 (356 staying in work 4 weeks or longer)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timely and high quality service to victims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 85% within time scale
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uphold racial equality and diversity Recording of race and ethnicity of staff and offenders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ 95% national target

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About us

Lancashire is one of 42 operational Areas within the National Probation Service, which is led by the national Director General Roger Hill. Lancashire Probation Board oversees the work and performance of the service in Lancashire within the national framework. We reorganised our Area last year in line with the National Offender Management Service model and we shall continue to develop our service delivery within the structure of Offender Management and Interventions Units.

Our Area's funding: Resource allocation totals £20.86 million for 2006-2007.

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National Probation Service Director General *Roger Hill*



Lancashire Probation Board
Chairman *Tony Fowles*

Board Members including
Chief Officer

Lancashire Area
Chief Officer
Bob Mathers



Senior Management Group

Deputy Chief Officer *Colin Dearden*

Assistant Chief Officers (*Operational*): *Andrea Bennett, Ian Phillips, Louise Taylor, Janet Thomas*

Board Treasurer *Louise Mattinson*

Assistant Chief Officer Human Resources *Chris Brereton*

District Managers *Linda Lock, Central; Paul Lee, East; Mike Lock, West; Phil O'Donnell Interventions*

Staff in teams deliver services via Offender Management Units and Interventions Units organised in a district structure covering all of Lancashire. Staff work in probation centres, in the courts, in prisons and at partner agency locations.

Lancashire Probation Board

The Board's main duties are to:

- employ staff
- provide for efficient probation work
- oversee the area's annual budget

Board meetings are held in public at venues around the county to enable people in local communities to hear about the work the Probation Service does on their behalf and to raise any local issues and concerns.

Board members:

Appointed by the Home Secretary :

David Booker, Chorley

Valerie Burke, South Ribble

Liz Housden, Chorley

Susan Hughes, Pendle

Tony Harrison, Burnley

Ashok Khandelwal, Blackpool

Mahendra Kothari, South Ribble

Monica Lea, South Ribble

Anthony Nixon, Rossendale

Vali Patel, Preston

Les Sewell, South Ribble

Appointed by the Lord Chancellor's Department: **His Honour Judge Andrew Gilbert QC**

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We have local offices at:

Accrington	Blackburn	Burnley	Blackpool	Chorley
Fleetwood	Leyland	Lancaster	Morecambe	Nelson
Preston	Rawtenstall	Skelsmersdale		

Approved accommodation: Accrington Blackburn

The Business Plan in full is published on our website www.probation-lancashire.org.uk and available on request to the Chief Officer.