

### **3 SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT - CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICE - ESTABLISHMENT OF FIXED TERM POSTS (AN10-2007)**

Reference is made to Article II of the minute of meeting of the Social Work Committee of 18th December 2006, wherein the Committee considered a report on Innovations and Developments in the Support of Ex-Offenders. The report detailed the requirement to establish a group work project to provide skills support for criminal justice clients aimed at enabling them to sustain accommodation. This project is funded by a grant under section 90 (1.1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001. The report also considered the establishment of a project to provide intensive support to women, with substance misuse problems, leaving prison and returning to Tayside. This project is funded by a grant ring fenced to criminal justice social work.

In order to implement these projects, which will be managed by Dundee City Council on behalf of the Tayside Criminal Justice Partnership, the Committee is asked to approve the establishment of the following posts:

#### **Preventing Homelessness Innovation Fund**

2 posts of Criminal Justice Assistant, graded AP2, £16,929 - £18,324

These posts are temporary for a period of one year

The cost of establishing the above posts will be £44,000 in a full financial year which will be fully funded from the Scottish Executive's Preventing Homelessness Innovation Fund.

#### **Intensive Support to Women Prisoners**

1 post of Senior Criminal Justice Assistant, graded AP3, £18,840 - £20,673

4 posts of Criminal Justice Assistant, graded AP2, £16,929 - £18,324

1 part time post of Clerical Assistant (18.5 hours), graded GS1/2, £10,938 - £14,577

These posts are fixed term for the period April 2007 -March 2009.

The cost of establishing the above posts will be £122,500 in a full financial year which will be fully funded from additional Scottish Executive Criminal Justice Grant.