

Devon & Cornwall Probation Trust

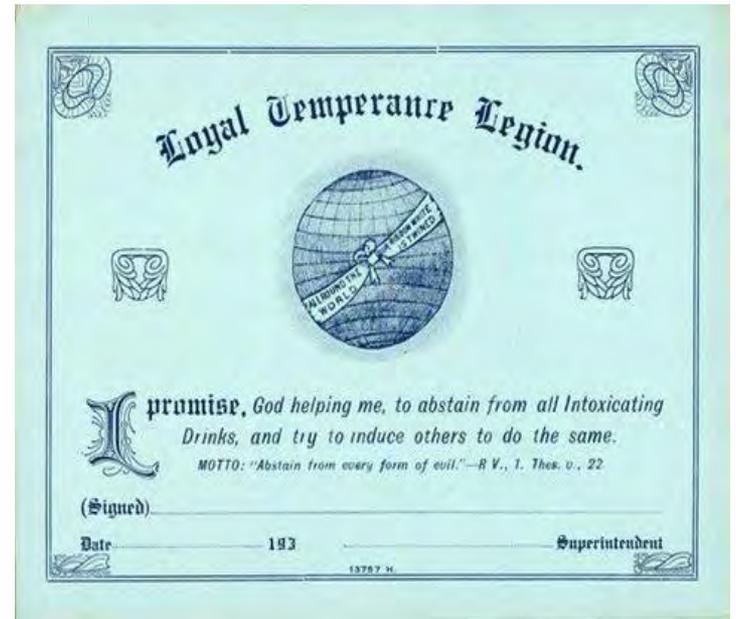
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Faith in Justice Conference

Rob Menary, Chief Officer

Strong links with Faith Communities



We will be a Trust from April this year

Devon & Cornwall Trust Vision

To be a high performing organisation, trusted by the communities of Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly to reduce crime, protect them from harm and uphold the rights of victims.

So what do we do

- Probation in Cornwall

We supervise offenders who have been convicted.

- continually assess risk and dangerousness**
- provide reports to the court and to inform release decisions**

Supervision of Offenders



We cannot operate and provide in isolation – delivering services in conjunction with others, in partnership is critical to enabling us to achieve the necessary change in offenders lives.

So what factors are linked to offending/serious harm for Cornwall's offenders?

- 67% have difficulty coping
- 64% unemployed/unavailable for work
- 42% unstable accommodation/ 18% NFA
- 39% debt problems
- 47% mental health issues
- 50% alcohol misuse linked to offending/serious harm
- 33% use drugs – higher % for women and BME
- 83% women have physical or emotional health issues
- 87% offending thinking and behaviour

Community Payback



Summercourt School, St Austell



Islamic Centre, Exeter



Preston, South Devon

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Wide range of other interventions

- supervision, support and counselling
- group programmes addressing sex offending – “circles of support”
- domestic violence and women's support programme
- drugs and alcohol programmes and treatment
- anger management
- thinking skills (based cognitive behavioural model)

- restrictive requirements, residential services and treatment, adult attendance centre, curfew.

Why should the faith communities help?

We share a belief that people have the capacity to change

Relationships with people who care and act is a key component of change - you can be the difference

You are part of the community and so is the offender

You have facilities that we need – and in return we can help you.

But it will require you to take a leap of faith

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