



Justice Committee

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By email only

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Dear Antonia,

Thank you for appearing before the Justice Committee on the 1st March 2022. The Committee found the discussion with you and your officials on themes emerging from your 2020/21 Annual Report and Accounts and areas of future priority very interesting and it will help us greatly with our work.

During the session, you committed to providing further detail in response to several questions. We would be grateful if you could respond to the following points at the earliest opportunity.

- 1) In relation to performance targets for the new unified probation service, could you please share the specific targets being monitored as part of the new target operating model.
- 2) We have heard that there is a shortage of district judges in the civil jurisdictions. When is the next recruitment round for district judges planned for?
- 3) In our session you invited the Committee to come and look at your forecasting models. We welcome this opportunity and look forward to viewing these at a convenient opportunity.

We look forward to hearing back in relation to these areas.

Yours Sincerely,

Sir Robert Neill MP
Chair
Justice Committee