Communications Insight: Attitudes and Perceptions to Community Justice in 2018



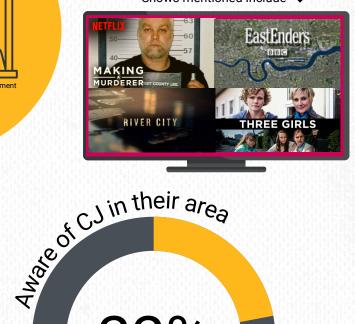
The following research summarises a report commissioned by Community Justice Scotland and completed by an independent Scottish research agency in 2018 on attitudes and perceptions of community justice (CJ) in Scotland.

CONTEXT

'We asked to what extent do you agree: 'Justice should be about offenders repaying their debts to society and rebuilding their lives'



Television is the top trusted source of learning about the Scottish justice System
Shows mentioned include ✓



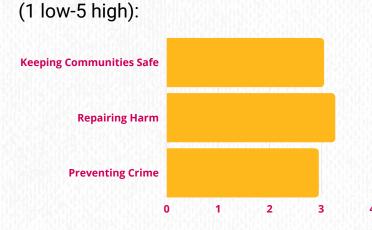
COMMUNITY JUSTICE INSIGHT

37% know what CJ is



What does CJ achieve for society?

22%



How effective is CJ at the following



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FOCUS GROUP FEEDBACK

Prison keeps communities and people safe, more so than community justice

People who have committed a crime once should be given a second chance, but no more

Community justice is not visible in day-to-day life

Whether community justice is deemed appropriate depends on the individual and the crime they've committed

Little understanding of community sentences, unpaid work most commonly known (but still very few participants)

IN SUMMARY

- Just over a third (37%) claimed to know what Community Justice is
- · Less than half were aware of what a Community Payback Order (CPO) entails
- Views aligned with the idea that justice should be about offenders repaying their debts to society and rebuilding their lives