

ITEM 4.2A: RECENT ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY

Purpose

1. To provide the Council with an update on recent engagement activity.

Discussion

2. The following table details some of the presentations delivered and conferences, seminars, and visits attended by Council members or staff for the period **13 March 2024 – 27 May 2024**.

RECENT ENGAGEMENT EVENTS ATTENDED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/STAFF	DATE	DETAILS OF COUNCIL PARTICIPATION
Lecture by Professor Nancy Lombard, Glasgow Caledonian University – ‘The personal is still political: exploring a career of violence against women research through the intersections of gender, class and age’	19 March 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
John Fitzsimons Memorial Lecture in Criminal Law & Justice – ‘Responses to Sexual Violence: How Can We Improve Victim-Survivor Experiences?’	20 March 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
Centre for Justice Innovation webinar – ‘How is youth diversion working for children with SEND?’	21 March 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
Speech about the sentencing young people guideline to the Aberdeen branch of SASO	28 March 2024	Lord Colbeck delivered the speech. A member of the secretariat attended.
Edinburgh University Law School’s Crime, Justice & Society Seminar Series – ‘Negotiated Identities, Parallel Lives’, on the dependencies which result from the intersection between early contact with juvenile justice	03 April 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
SCTS and Judicial Institute event on the future of Open Justice in Scotland	22 April 2024	Members of the secretariat attended.
UpFamilies Network – online event on the impact of prison, including on families	24 April 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
Presentation on the sentencing of domestic abuse in Scotland to students at the University of Surrey	29 April 2024	Sheriff Elfallah and a member of the secretariat delivered the presentation.
Lecture on the work of the Council for law students at the City of Glasgow College	30 April 2024	A member of the secretariat delivered the lecture.
Lecture by Gavin Dingwall, Sentencing Academy, University of Edinburgh – ‘Contingency, Creativity and Researching	07 May 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.

'Closed' Environments During the COVID-19 Lockdown'		
Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research webinar – 'The fascination with the unlawful: The portrayal of crime and role of media'	07 May 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
Garden Court Chambers – 'Upholding Children's Rights? The Implementation of the UNCRC: A Comparison of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland'	14 May 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.
Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research webinar – 'Punishment Futures, Justice Reimagined'	16 May 2024	Members of the secretariat attended.
Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research webinar – 'How is Human Trafficking Regulated in the UK?'	24 May 2024	A member of the secretariat attended.

Recommendation

3. That the Council notes this update.

Scottish Sentencing Council Secretariat

May 2024