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**5.45pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

Room H230, Faculty of Health and Social Care, Robert Gordon  
University, Garthdee, Aberdeen  
Free car parks available

## Speakers:

**Charlie Martin, New Routes Partnership, The Wise Group**

**Yvonne Robson, Project Manager, Shine Women's Mentoring  
Service, Sacro**

The New Routes Partnership utilises an intense asset-based mentoring approach with prolific male offenders to help them identify their challenges, hopes and aspirations and help them to create a personal release plan to re-integrate with their families and communities and to move towards a non-criminal identity. As a former prisoner himself, Charlie is uniquely placed to approach the subjects of through care and desistance from an offender's perspective.

The Shine Women's Mentoring Service is aimed at women, over the age of 18 from across Scotland who are serving short-term sentences and not subject to statutory supervision. The service provides a mentor who helps women build their self-esteem and confidence. Mentors are able to offer both practical and emotional support. The service will help women to develop their independence and quality of life, improve their social skills and motivation and work towards addressing a life free of offending.

***Members and non-members alike are welcome.***

***Solicitors & Advocates, Police and Social Workers and other professions may claim CPD time for attendance at SASO lectures - registration at the event will be required.***

Please communicate any enquiries regarding the presentation or SASO in general to:

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The COSTA Coffee Shop is open in the Sir Ian Wood Building until 10pm.

The aim of SASO is to bring together people with a wide range of experience in the criminal justice system so that by listening, talking and sharing experience, a better understanding of our common problems will develop.