



**Scottish Association for the Study of Offending: Edinburgh Branch**

**Programme 2026 - 2027**

**All meetings will be held at 5.30 pm at Edinburgh Sheriff Court, Chambers Street, Edinburgh**

| <b>Date</b>             | <b>Speaker</b>                                                                       | <b>Subject / Title</b>                                                        |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 6 October 2026  | Martyn Evans and Catherine Dyer                                                      | The Scottish Sentencing and Penal Policy Commission                           |
| Tuesday 3 November 2026 | Josh Gilbert and Dean Sutherland                                                     | Edinburgh Diversionary Services for Children at Risk of Criminal Exploitation |
| Tuesday 1 December 2026 | Dr Kirstin Anderson and Dr Cara Jardine                                              | Offender Behaviour Programmes                                                 |
| Tuesday 2 February 2027 | Nick Hobbs<br>Head of Legal at the Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland | The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child                      |
| Tuesday 2 March 2027    | Alex Prentice KC                                                                     | Prosecuting Cold Case Homicides, the Challenges and the Public Interest       |
| Tuesday 23 March 2027   | Dr Nicola Ceesay                                                                     | Orders for Lifelong Restriction                                               |

***All those with an interest in crime and criminal justice are very welcome.  
You do not need to be a member of SASO to attend.***

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