



THE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION FOR
THE STUDY OF OFFENDING

49th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Doubletree by Hilton Westerwood Spa & Golf Resort
Cumbernauld
2nd & 3rd November 2018

Responding to Sexual Abuse

*An opportunity to explore and discuss
Sexual Abuse, Crime and Justice in
contemporary Scotland*

Conference Chair: Dr John Crichton, Chair of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland

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For over forty years SASO has been organising conferences which bring together people with a wide range of experience within the criminal justice system. Views may differ, but by listening, talking and sharing experiences, a better understanding of our common problems tends to develop. On some issues consensus has been reached which has, on occasions, been translated into action from which the system has benefited.



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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Friday 2nd November 2018

- 0930hrs Arrivals, Registration, Refreshments
- 1030 hrs Conference Opens (dress informal)
- Conference Chair's Introduction:**
Dr John Crichton, Chair of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland
- 1045 hrs Keynote Address: **Dr Jon Patrick, The State Hospital**
'What is sexual offending and why does it take place – A Relational Perspective'
- 1130 hrs Refreshments
Exhibitions and Posters
- 1200 hrs Keynote Address: **Professor Nick Hardwick**
'Sex offenders and parole: lessons of the Worboys case'
- 1300 hrs LUNCH
- 1400 hrs Keynote Address: **Tom Fox, Head of Corporate Affairs; Wendy Welsh, Forensic Psychologist; and Angela Holmes, Forensic Psychologist – Scottish Prison Service**
'Sexual offenders – the problem for prisons'
- 1500 hrs Interactive Session: ***'Making decisions on parole conditions for sexual offenders'***
led by Dr Wilma Dickson
- 1630 hrs Refreshments
Exhibition and Posters
- 1700 hrs Keynote Address: **Lady Dorrian, Lord Justice Clerk and Chair of the Scottish Sentencing Council**
'Sentencing sex offenders'
- 1800 hrs **SASO AGM**
- 1900 hrs **Reception**
- 1930 hrs **Conference Dinner** (dress business/lounge suit)
Chaired by Professor Sandy Cameron CBE, Chair, SASO
After Dinner Speaker: **Professor Susan Deacon, CBE, Chair of the Scottish Police Authority**

Saturday 3rd November

- 0830 hrs Arrivals, Registration, Refreshments
- Chair: Dr John Crichton, Chair of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland**
- 0915 hrs Keynote Address: **DCC Will Kerr, OBE, Police Scotland**
'Sex Offending – the international dimension'
- 1015 hrs Practitioners' Panel: ***'What works in helping victims and survivors'***
Alan McCloskey (Victim Support Scotland); **Sandy Brindley** (Rape Crisis Scotland) and **Amanda Naylor** (Barnardo's)
- 1115 hrs Refreshments
Exhibitions and Posters
- 1145 hrs Keynote Address: **Alison di Rollo, QC, Solicitor General**
'Sex offenders – decisions to prosecute'
- 1245 hrs Chair's Closing Remarks: **Dr John Crichton, Chair of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in Scotland**
- 1300 hrs Conference Close and Light Lunch

GUEST SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Dr John Crichton

John Crichton grew up in West Lothian. His interest in psychiatry developed during his time at Nottingham Medical School. After a house job in Shetland John trained in psychiatry at Fulbourn Hospital, Cambridge. He was awarded the Nightingale Research Studentship at Trinity Hall and The Institute of Criminology at Cambridge University. During his doctoral research he developed an interest in homicide and published his first book in 1995 – ‘Psychiatric Patient Violence, Risk and Response’. He has gone on to publish over 60 peer review publications and numerous book chapters. His current main research interest is homicide reduction. For the last 17 years he has been an honorary fellow at University of Edinburgh School of Law where he teaches a module on the Criminology MSc. After his PhD, John was a clinical lecturer in Learning Disability at University of Cambridge before becoming clinical lecturer in Forensic Psychiatry at University of Edinburgh. In 2000 he became a consultant at the newly opened Orchard Clinic, Scotland’s first medium secure psychiatric unit and later supported the creation of the Forensic Mental Health Managed Clinical Care Network, becoming its medical director. He created the ‘Matrix of Security’ and risk management traffic lights system - used across Scotland to enhance patient safety. John was instrumental in bringing about the national training program in Forensic psychiatry. As Chair of the Forensic Faculty in Scotland he chaired the influential Victim’s Rights Group, which reported to Scottish Ministers last year. In 2015 he became an honorary consultant with the International Committee of the Red Cross assisting with their healthcare and detention work.

Dr Jon Patrick

Dr Patrick graduated from Edinburgh University as a doctor in 1999 and continued his psychiatric training in South East Scotland. Having gained the Membership of Royal College of Psychiatrists in 2007, he graduated with an MPhil in Psychiatry in 2007. He qualified as a psychoanalytic psychotherapist in 2010. He has specialised in Forensic Psychiatry and Forensic Psychotherapy since 2005, working in a variety of secure and out-patient settings. Jon has a variety of expertise in working with sexual offenders and the teams that treat them -including the Serious Offender Liaison Scheme in NHS Lothian and the Sexual Offender Treatment Team at the State Hospital.

Professor Nick Hardwick

Nick Hardwick was Chair of the Parole Board for England and Wales from 2016 to 2018. From 2010 to 2016 he was Chief Inspector of Prisons and from 2003 to 2010 he was the first Chair of the Independent Police Complaints Commission. The first half of his career was in the voluntary sector working with young offenders for the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders (NACRO), young homeless people for Centrepoint and refugees and asylum seekers. He is Chair of the New Horizon Youth Centre and a Trustee of Prisoners Abroad. He has a part-time role as Professor in Criminal Law, Royal Holloway University of London.

Tom Fox

Tom Fox is Head of Corporate Affairs in the Scottish Prison Service.

Wendy Welsh

Wendy Welsh is a registered forensic psychologist and has worked in the Scottish Prison Service since 2002. She is currently a Psychology Manager based at HMP and YOI Polmont where she has worked since 2005. Throughout her career she has specialised in assessment and intervention with young men who have been convicted of sexual offending. She is currently the Treatment Manager for the Moving Forward: Making Changes programme in Polmont. She has developed bespoke packages for young men, carried out psychological risk assessments and provided consultancy and support to staff.

Angela Holmes

Angela Holmes has been a practising Forensic Psychologist since 2004 and has experience of working with high risk mentally disordered offenders for over 20 years. She has worked in the NHS for 10 years, in maximum, medium and low security psychiatric environments as a highly specialist forensic psychologist. More recently she has worked as a Senior Psychologist with adolescents and young people within secure care in Scotland and is an Accredited Risk Assessor with the Risk Management Authority. She has conducted research into violence risk and has acted as a consultant lead clinician for a MAPPA implementation steering group in the community. She has also worked as part of a Home Office research team, evaluating the implementation of accredited offending behaviour programmes across the National Probation Directorate in England and Wales. She is currently employed by Scottish Prison Service and has worked as the Head of Psychology at HMP Shotts between 2011 and 2018 and now as Principal Psychologist at Headquarters, Edinburgh. She is the policy lead for the management of those subject to an Order of Lifelong Restriction.

Dr Wilma Dickson

Wilma Dickson’s career was spent in a range of social policy posts within the Scottish Government, with a strong focus on the delivery of justice. She worked on projects to improve case handling in the justice system, and then on improving the delivery of community justice through more effective community sentences and better risk assessment and risk management of people who had offended. She was also involved in a range of multi-agency initiatives to reduce reoffending. Between 2010 and 2015 she was a member of Hanover (Scotland) Housing Association’s Committee of Management. Following her retirement, Dr Dickson was a member of the Parole Board for Scotland between November 2011 and September 2018. She is now trying to learn Chinese.

Lady Dorrian

Lady Dorrian was admitted to the Faculty of Advocates in 1981 and served as an Advocate Depute between 1988 and 1991. She became a QC in 1994 and was a member of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board between 1997 and 2001. She was appointed a Senator of the College of Justice in 2005 and Lord Justice Clerk in 2016. She is Chair of the Scottish Sentencing Council.

Professor Susan Deacon CBE

Susan Deacon has a range of leadership experience gained in the public, private and third sectors, academia and national politics. She was appointed Chair of the Scottish Police Authority in December 2017. She has a lifelong commitment to public service improvement, bringing together people from local communities, service providers, policy makers and other stakeholders to foster collaborative action. Her early career was in local government, followed by senior roles in management training and development in the private sector and higher education. Professor Deacon served as an MSP from 1999 to 2007 and was Scotland's first Cabinet Minister for Health and Community Care following devolution. Over the past decade, Susan has held a range of Board positions and has contributed to governance and policy reviews in key areas of Scottish public life. She is Chair of the Institute of Directors in Scotland, Chair of the Edinburgh Festivals Forum, an advisor on External Relations for the University of Edinburgh and a Non-Executive Director of Lothian Buses. In 2017 she was awarded a CBE for services to business, education and public service.

DCC Will Kerr OBE

Will Kerr joined Police Scotland in September 2018 following which he was appointed as Deputy Chief Constable for Local Policing. He had over 27 years policing service in Northern Ireland before moving to a Director's role in the NCA in January 2017. In the PSNI, he held a number of key Command-level posts including, as ACC Belfast, where he was the Gold Commander for all of the key events and parades in the City over a three year period and was the PSNI's lead Gold Commander for the overall parading season from 2012 to 2014. Will's last role in the PSNI was as ACC Crime Operations, where he was in charge of all serious crime and counter-terrorism specialist functions. Will has had a varied policing career in Northern Ireland, having been a DCU (Divisional) Commander, a Senior Investigating Officer who led on a number of high profile murder and terrorism investigations, and has significant public order experience at Bronze (Unit Commander), Silver and Gold tiers. In the National Crime Agency, Will was the national lead for leading and co-ordinating the UK's response, both domestically and internationally, to Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation (with responsibility for the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre), Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking and Organised Immigration Crime. He was awarded the OBE, for services to policing and the community, in the 2015 Queen's Birthday Honours list.

Sandy Brindley

Sandy Brindley is the Chief Executive of Rape Crisis Scotland and has been involved in the rape crisis movement for over 20 years. She has been involved in the development of three major public awareness campaigns: www.thisisnotaninvitationtorapeme.co.uk; www.notever.co.uk, and #ijustfroze. She is involved in a number of strategic working groups to improve responses to rape, including the Scottish Government's Joint Strategic Board on Violence against Women and Girls, and the Crown Office Expert Group on Sexual Offences. Sandy coordinates the National Advocacy Project which provides dedicated advocacy support to sexual offence complainants throughout the justice process.

Amanda Naylor

Over the past 20 years, Amanda has worked extensively within the third sector, international development and social care, focused on contextual safeguarding, inclusive practice with disabled children and justice for child victims. Currently Amanda heads up the delivery of Barnardo's 10 year strategy on child sexual abuse, incorporating child sexual exploitation and harmful sexual behaviours, designing and implementing innovative and responsive services across the UK's 4 Nations. Amanda sits on both the Centre of Expertise for CSA Advisory Board and the NOTA Advisory Board and has central involvement with key Government initiatives on the range of CSA issues.

Alan McCloskey

Alan McCloskey has strategic oversight and management of all Victim Support's operational services in Scotland. He helps ensure that VSS is at the forefront of the criminal justice system and that the needs of victims and witnesses are fully understood at Government and at local level while delivering real benefits and measurable outcomes for victims and witnesses of crime in Scotland. He led the Victim Support Scotland campaign that helped secure delivery of the EC Directive on Victims' Rights through the Victims and Witnesses Act in Scotland. Alan is responsible for the development and effective management of over 100 front line staff and over 600 volunteers within the court based Witness Service and the community based Victim Service across Scotland. Alan joined VSS in 2005 following a career in the Civil Service.

Alison di Rollo QC, Solicitor General

Alison Di Rollo was appointed Solicitor General for Scotland in June 2016. She joined the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service in 1985 as a fiscal. Ms Di Rollo then worked in the Policy Group at the Crown Office prior to being appointed Deputy Head of the High Court Unit and later Head of Operational Policy. In May 2008, Alison was seconded from COPFS to take up an appointment as a trial advocate depute. She was appointed Deputy Head of the National Sexual Crimes Unit in 2011 and became Head of the Unit in January 2013. From January 2015 until taking appointment as Solicitor General Alison was a Senior Advocate Depute.