

## CRITERIA FOR COMMUNITY PAYBACK ROTHERHAM

To be considered, your project must meet the following criteria.  
Please tick each box.

<input type="checkbox"/>	It will benefit the local Community
<input type="checkbox"/>	It will not take paid work away from others
<input type="checkbox"/>	No one will make a profit from the work
<input type="checkbox"/>	It will be challenging and demanding
<input type="checkbox"/>	It will be worthwhile and constructive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Offenders will be seen to be putting something back into the Community

### How does it work?

Members of the public and community organisations are welcome to suggest ideas for work projects.

A Project Officer would then assess the project to ensure:

- The work can be done safely;
- Risk assessments are in place;
- It benefits the community;
- It does not take paid work from others.

The Community Payback team advertise work projects by erecting 'A Frame' boards on appropriate sites to make local people aware of their presence. Offenders can be clearly identified as they wear, where appropriate, high visibility orange vests with the Community Payback logo.

All group work in the community is under the supervision of a member of Probation staff.

Whilst serving the sentence offenders are required to:

- Attend all work and office appointments;
- Work as instructed by their supervisor;
- Notify their offender manager of any change of address.

### Enforcement of Court Order.

Failure to attend for work or office appointments without an acceptable reason, or failing to work as instructed, can result in the offender being returned to Court. The Courts may:

- Pass sentence for the breach by imposing extra hours of work or additional requirements;
- Cancel the order and impose a new sentence for the original offence. This includes the possibility of a custodial sentence.

## Nominate a Project for Community Payback

Is there an area in your local community, which you would like to see rejuvenated?

Is there a church hall or community centre in need of redecorating?

Is there a luncheon club in need of assistance?

Community Payback projects range from clearing dense undergrowth, which would include litter removal and environmental projects through to repairing and decorating community centres.

Community Payback could be the answer. This is your chance to choose the type of project offenders carry out in your community as part of their Unpaid Work requirement on their Community Order.

Anyone can nominate a project so, if you are an individual, member of a club, community group, faith or voluntary organisation and have a project that fits the criteria above, please complete and submit this form.

Your name	
Organisation	
Contact Details (Phone/email)	
Address	

Name of Project	
Location of Project	
Brief details of the project and the work required	

## **Implementation Procedures for Community Payback (CP) Projects**

### **Background**

- The Community Payback panel is one element of the 'Justice Seen/Justice Done' agenda and the mechanism by which the public have a say on future Community Payback projects.
- Government guidance states that panels should assimilate into "existing neighbourhood structures for engaging local communities", Partners and Communities Together (PACT), Safer Neighbourhood Teams (SNTs), Area Partnerships Managers (APMs) Community meeting, etc

### **Local delivery**

The proposal for the Community Payback panel in Rotherham is to establish a partnership between South Yorkshire Probation Trust (SYPT) and the community.

It is anticipated that the PACT/Community meetings will receive information and nominations for projects from members of the public. The nominations and suggestions will initially be reviewed at the meeting by the Area Partnership Managers, suitable projects will be forwarded by the APMs to Jackie Roper who will meet regularly with the Community Payback unit. This meeting will prioritise nominations from all of the area meetings. Decisions made on these projects and estimated commencement dates for starting suitable projects will be reported back to the area meetings by the APMs. Not all projects will be suitable for Community Payback assistance and this information will also be relayed back to the area meetings by the APMs.

Marketing and Publicity about the Community Payback projects re: interventions/results can then be published via the SNT's. newsletters/leaflet drops/Rotherham News/Rotherham Record.

## Flow Chart

- Public/community members identify projects in areas which they feel would be appropriate for the Community Payback teams to work on.
- Public/community members forward these suggestions to their Area Partnership Managers via community meeting
- Area Partnership Manager to forward all suitable suggestions/nominations to Jackie Roper after each meeting via email.
- Jackie Roper feeds this information to C P Manager and C P Project Officers at planned bi-monthly meetings.
- Project Suitability and Priorities are agreed by CP team and JR.
- Information on projects that are suitable and estimated timescales for the work or reasons why the projects cannot be undertaken by C P is relayed back to next area meetings by APMs.