ITEM 3.1A: 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 **18 November 2025 – 16 March 2026**.

RECENT ENGAGEMENT EVENTS ATTENDED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/STAFF	DATE	DETAILS OF COUNCIL PARTICIPATION
Presentation to King's Park Secondary School, Glasgow students	20 January 2026	A member of the secretariat delivered the presentation
'Rehabilitation: What Future?', hosted by Professor McNeill	20 January 2026	A member of the secretariat attended
Observation of Glasgow Sheriff Court's Female Offenders' Court	22 January 2026	A member of the Council and a member of the secretariat attended
Presentation to students at City of Glasgow College on the work of the Council	29 January 2026	A former judicial member of the Council delivered the presentation and a member of the secretariat attended
Observation of criminal courts at Paisley Sheriff Court	16 February 2026	A member of the secretariat attended
Presentation to Violence Against Women and Girls group on the work of the Council and rape offences sentencing guidelines	17 February 2026	Members of the secretariat delivered the presentation
'Victim Engagement Research Project', hosted by The Modern Slavery Organised Immigration Crime Unit partnered with Dr Laura Pajon, Senior Lecturer in Policing at the Liverpool Centre for Advanced Policing Studies	24 February 2026	A member of the secretariat attended
The British Psychological Society and Division of Forensic Psychology's 'Division of Forensic Psychology Devolved Nations Annual Conference 2026'	27 February 2026	A member of the secretariat attended
Presentation to Masters students at the University of Edinburgh on the work of the Council	4 March 2026	Members of the secretariat delivered the presentation

RECENT ENGAGEMENT EVENTS ATTENDED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS/STAFF	DATE	DETAILS OF COUNCIL PARTICIPATION
Presentation to South Lanarkshire social work on the work of the Council and on the sentencing rape offences guidelines	10 March 2026	Members of the secretariat delivered the presentation
'Power of Dialogue: Human Stories of Restorative Justice', hosted by Community Justice Scotland	11 March 2026	A member of the secretariat attended
'A Giant on the Bridge', theatre performance, hosted by the Scottish Centre for Crime & Justice Research	12 March 2026	Members of the Council and the secretariat attended
Roundtable on the human rights impacts of Orders for lifelong Restriction	19 March 2026	A member of the secretariat attended

Recommendation

3. **That the Council notes this update.**

Scottish Sentencing Council Secretariat **March 2026**