



*Programme for
Government*

SNAPSHOT FOR WOMEN

Justice & Communities

Supporting Cohesive Communities

- Publish an anti-destitution strategy to support those in communities most at risk from reserved immigration policies on No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF).
- Re-examine options to support those who are destitute through NRPF, including expanding the scope for more effective and dignified support.

Communities and Transport

- Work with local government to take forward ambitions for 20-minute neighbourhoods where people can meet most of their essential needs within a 20-minute walk including shopping, leisure activities, local services and a local environment that encourages active travel to promote health and well-being.
- Invest £275 million to support community-led regeneration and town-centre revitalisation, including the repurposing of buildings, maintenance, and repairs, reallocating external space and community-led land acquisition.
- Commit to over £500 million over five years for active travel, including for local authorities and others to bid for funding of large scale, transformational active travel infrastructure projects, reallocating road space in favour of walking, cycling and wheeling over cars.
- Launch the Bus Partnership Fund to support local authorities' ambitions to tackle congestion to make bus travel a more attractive choice.

- Engage with young people on the future of transport, seeking views on tackling transport inequalities and move towards a more sustainable and inclusive transport network.

Safer Communities and Justice

- Work with justice bodies, the legal profession, victims' organisations, and others to look at how to tackle the backlog brought on by the current pandemic and provide confidence to victims, witnesses and others affected by delays.
- Plan for longer term reform through the Recover, Renew, Transform programme, overseen by a newly established Criminal Justice Board, to bring together criminal and community justice stakeholders to consider proposals for the reform of the justice system.
 - this includes building upon innovations put in place during the pandemic, including greater use of digital tools.
 - will also consider support for victims and witnesses, and ways to prevent repeat offending and manage the prison population, through more effective community-based interventions.
- Promote and expand the availability of effective community interventions, including bringing forward regulations for the use of electronic monitoring on bail, supporting increased accessibility to supervised bail services and publishing guidance on structured deferred sentences.
- Modernising the prison estate with a priority on the new female custodial estate to deliver, by the end of 2022, a new national prison and two Community Custody Units in Dundee and Glasgow tailored to the specific support needs of women.
- Work with justice agencies and third sector support providers to explore further use of non-court buildings for the pre-recording and giving of evidence.
- Consider the recommendations from the report of Lady Dorrian's Review of the management of sexual offences to better support victims or witnesses of sexual offences involved in the criminal justice system.