

West Yorkshire  
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# Managing Dangerous Offenders in England

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## 3 essential elements

- Structured assessment tools
- Structured partnership work
- A range of constructive and restrictive interventions



# OASys

- Offender **A**ssessment **S**ystem = OASys
- Based on research evidence
- Electronic
- Used by all Probation and Prison staff
- 9 key factors



# The 9 factors

- Accommodation
- Education, training, and employability
- Finances
- Relationships
- Lifestyle and associates
- Drug and alcohol misuse
- Thinking and behaviour
- Attitudes
- Mental and physical health



# Risk of harm

- Past and current behaviour
- What is the risk
- Who is at risk
- How likely is the risk
- How can the risk be managed
- Additional risk assessment tools
- Offender + victim + circumstances = crime
- Resources



# Structured partnership work

- MAPPA
- **M**ulti **A**gency **P**ublic **P**rotection **A**rrangements
- Legal requirement
- Probation is the lead agency
- Information sharing
- Risk management plans
- Allocation of resources



# MAPPA

- 50,000 offenders nationally
- 2,500 offenders in West Yorkshire
- 0.5% commit another serious offence



# A range of interventions

- Constructive and restrictive
- Accredited programmes:
  - thinking skills
  - drugs and alcohol
  - domestic violence
  - drink driving
  - sex offending
  - anger management





# Skilled staff

- Motivational interviewing
- Pro-social modelling
- Risk assessment
- Risk management



# Restrictive conditions

- Behaviour
- Contact with probation staff
- Home visits
- Residence
- Employment
- Travel



## Restrictive conditions -2-

- To attend sessions
- Not to undertake certain activities/reside at an address/contact individuals/enter areas or types of building
- To participate in a programme
- To abide by a curfew
- To provide details of vehicles
- To notify any developing relationships



# Violent extremism

- Requires the 3 essential elements
- Focus on Al Quaeda- inspired extremism
- Need for new assessment tool
- Link with MAPPA and Counter Terrorism Unit
- Specialist staff and training

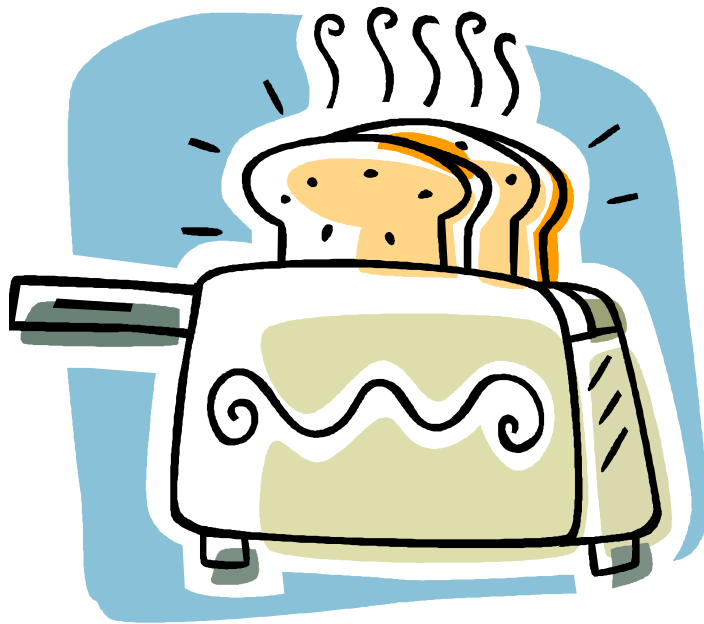


# How effective are we?

- Internal investigations
- Research and information department
- Re-offending rates
- Quality of assessments
- Resource allocation
- Skilled staff



# Hard work



- Thomas Edison :  
“Genius is 1% inspiration,  
And 99% perspiration”