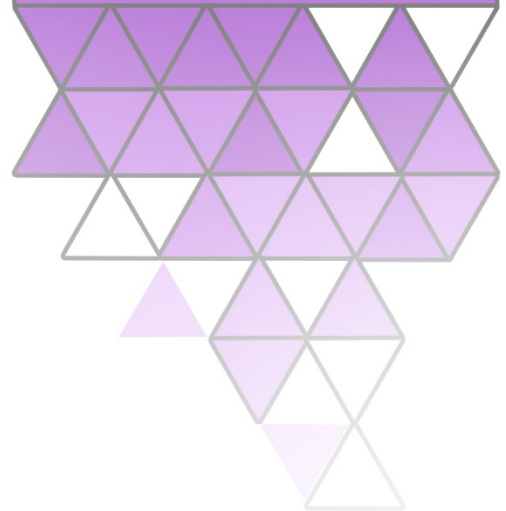
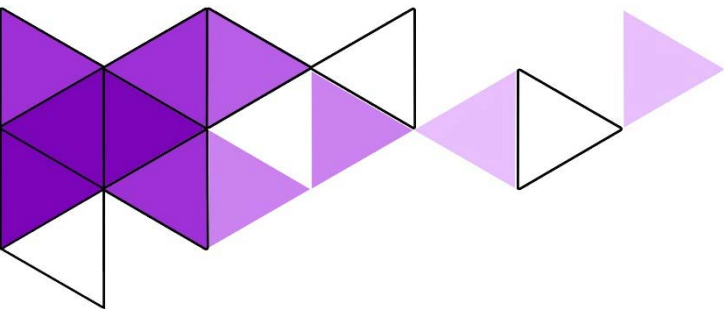




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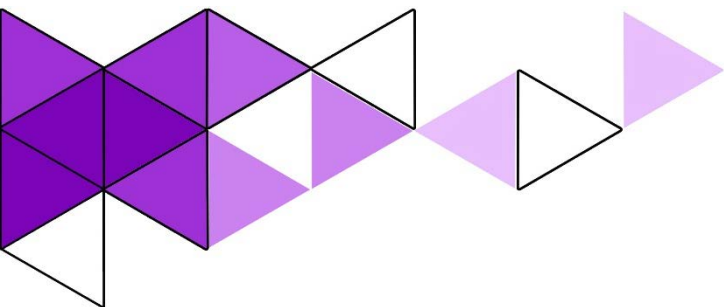


THE HON. MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES

I present to you, the Annual Report of the Supervised Release Review Board (the Board) for the year ending on 30 June 2020, pursuant to section 165 of the *Young Offenders Act 1994 (WA)* (the Act). I note that the Report is not only to record the operations of the Board but must also deal with the operation of the Act so far as it relates to the work of the Board.

His Honour Mr Allan Fenbury
Chairman

18 September 2020



THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

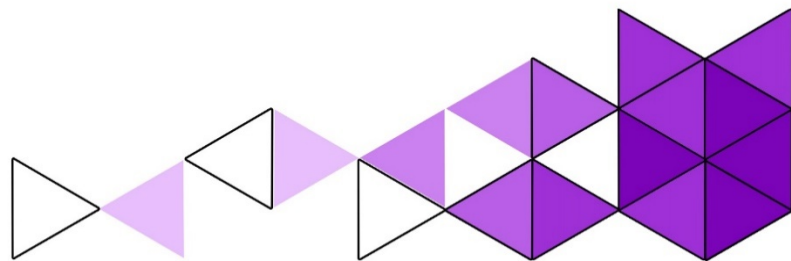
For the 2019-2020 year, the membership of the Board comprised of:

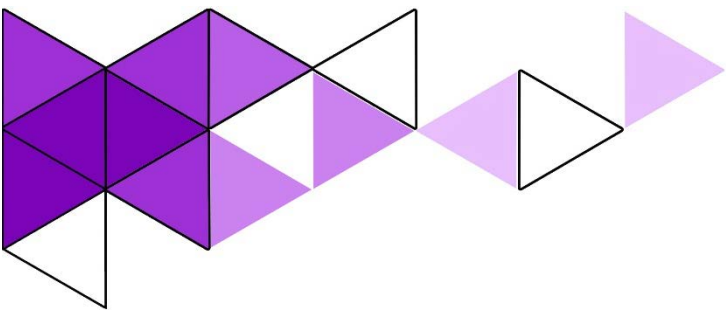
- the Chairman;
- a Victims' representative;
- a Community representative;
- an Aboriginal community representative;
- the CEO's nominees;
- the Commissioner of Police nominees; and
- Alternates to the Victim's, Community and Aboriginal community representatives.

I offer my thanks for the dedicated work done by:

- the staff of the Banksia Hill Detention Centre;
- the Youth Justice Officers (YJOs) and managers in the YJS agencies;
- the Officers of the Department of Communities (Child Protection and Family Support) (CPFS);
- the Youth Education Workers and the Education and Training Providers;
- the Psychologists (and, on occasion, Psychiatrists), both at Banksia Hill Detention Centre and in the community;
- the Officers of the Victim-Offender Mediation Unit;
- those in Non-Governmental Organisations who try to remedy the effects of disadvantage, alcohol, drug use and the misuse of solvents; and
- those, such as the people who work with the Wirrapanda Foundation, As One Nyitting, Outcare and Hope Services who act as trainers, mentors and supporters, particularly for young Aboriginal offenders.

I would also like to convey my personal thanks to the wonderful support staff who are provided by the Department of the Justice and the Board Members, in particular for their conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic and associated restrictions. I was most impressed with the ability of staff to find a way to carry on with minimal disruptions as well as the ability of staff and Board Members to quickly and efficiently adapt to the new changes. It is a credit to the staff we have here who do their best to apply the relevant provisions of the legislation, no matter what the circumstance.





THE WORK OF THE BOARD

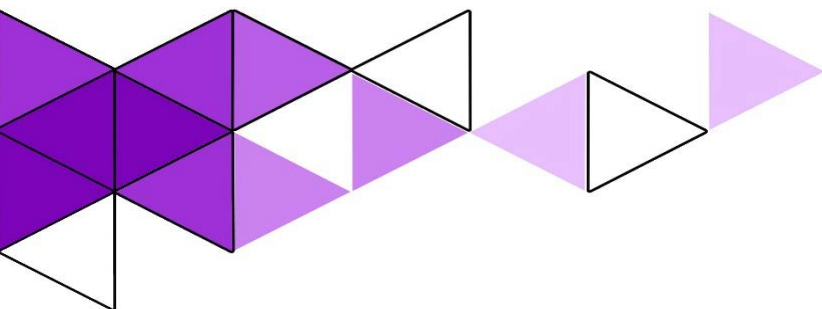
The Board is tasked with managing the return of detained young offenders to the community. These are young offenders who have been sentenced for serious or repetitive offending to terms of detention or in some circumstances, imprisonment. They are released back into the community under the supervision of Youth Justice Services.

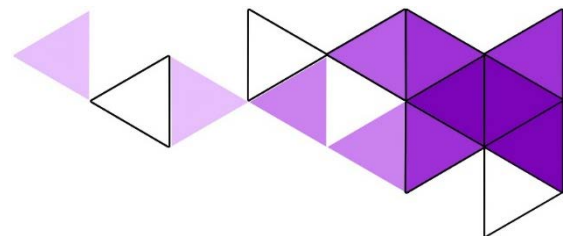
The Board meets, on average, weekly at the Banksia Hill Detention Centre to facilitate access to the young offenders, whether male or female. When granting or denying release, the young offender appears before the Board in person.

The Act seeks to involve a representative of the adults responsible in law for the young offender, in the process, by requiring the order to be made in the presence, whenever possible, of a parent, guardian, Child Protection Officer, or any other person responsible for the day to day care of the young person.

The meetings are attended (in person or by telephone link-up) by the relevant Youth Justice Officer, one or more adults having responsibility for the young person, and any other person involved in the case, wherever possible. When the Young Offender is present he or she is carefully addressed in simple language they can understand.

It is regretful to say that this year, as previously, attendance of parent(s), guardian(s), or other responsible adults often does not occur. Often this is an issue in resources. However it can also be an issue of parental dysfunction, family breakdown or alienation.





STATISTICAL INFORMATION

1. In the year to 30 June 2020 the Board held a total of 55 meetings consisting of 49 sittings of the full Board and 6 sittings by the Secretary.
2. The Board dealt with 280 cases involving 113 individuals.
3. There were 128 applications for supervised release.
4. 102 (80%) were approved and 26 (20%) were denied.
5. During the Financial Year a total of 51 Orders were cancelled due to re-offending and/or non-compliance. A number of the young offenders involved would, however, ultimately complete the period of supervised release in the community.
6. Of the 113 offenders dealt with, 104 (92%) were males and 9 (8%) were females.
7. 80 (71%) of the offenders dealt with were Aboriginal persons.
8. Of the Aboriginal persons, 72 (90%) were males and 8 (10%) were females.
9. Of the 128 applications for supervised release it was not possible to have a responsible adult present in person or by phone link-up in 39 (30%) of cases.

BOARD REMUNERATION

The Public Sector Commission's annual report guidelines for the 2019/20 financial year requires board memberships to be reported in the Annual Report. This requirement includes the naming of board members and listing the remuneration that each board member received from the respective board during the financial year. The reporting requirements further acknowledges that for security reasons, or reasons of sensitivity, these disclosures may be withheld. The names of Supervised Release Review Board members have been withheld for security reasons.

Position Title	Member Name	Type of remuneration	Period of membership	Term of Appointment / Tenure	Base Salary / Sitting Fees per meeting	Gross/actual remuneration for the financial year *
Chairman - His Honour Mr Allan Fenbury		Salary	Entire reporting period	Part-time	\$ 78,949	\$ 78,949
Deputy Chairman	B	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 628	\$ 4,396
Member	A	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 17,707
Member	B	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 17,640
Member	C	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 17,136
Member	D	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 3,024
Member	E	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 1,512
Member	F	Sessional	Entire reporting period	Sessional	\$ 504	\$ 1,008
Member Corrective Services	G	Nil	Entire reporting period	N/A	\$0	\$0
Member Corrective Services	H	Nil	Entire reporting period	N/A	\$0	\$0
Member WA Police	I	Nil	Entire reporting period	N/A	\$0	\$0
Member WA Police	J	Nil	Entire reporting period	N/A	\$0	\$0
Member WA Police	K	Nil	Entire reporting period	N/A	\$0	\$0
Total						\$141,372

* Including payments at an hourly rate applied to unscheduled meetings of the board where a quorum is required at short notice in relation to a single young offender and where the matter cannot wait until the next sitting of the board.