- Social worker involved with family of prisoners and have direct responsibility for children of prisoners.

**Institutional arrangements:**
- Local authority responsibilities under Crime and Disorder Act (1998):
  - Create youth offending teams.
  - Develop youth justice plans.
  - Provide and coordinate youth justice services.

Aim of preventing offending and re-offending.

**Youth offending teams** must have multi-agency membership.
- Consisting of police, social workers, probation officers, representatives from education and health.
- Must be at least one youth offending team for each county council, and also support groups who help those age 8-13 who are at risk of offending.

Social services department must produce youth justice plan every year.

Youth justice services include:
- provision of appropriate adult when young person detained or questioned by police.
- assessment of children for rehabilitation programmes.
- support for those awaiting trial or sentencing.
- supervision of those sentenced to supervision, community rehab or detention on training orders.

National Youth Justice Board based at Ministry of Justice.

**Prevention of Youth Crime:**
- Section 17 of Crime & Disorder Act states it is the duty of local authority and police to do all they reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in there are.

**Child Curfew Schemes:**
- a permissive rather than mandatory option for the local authority, consult with police and other relevant bodies first.
- made for a period of up to 90 days.
- ban on children of specified ages (under 10) being in a public place within specified area during a specified time e.g. 9pm-6am.
- prevent criminal tendencies from developing.
- fails to recognise valid reason for child to be in breach, e.g. escaping violence in the family home.
- does not promote positive relations between children and police.
- child found in breach will be returned home, or if unsupervised, police will inform local authority and they will visit the child’s family to determine if need for intervention.

**Child Safety Orders:**
- tackle an issue in family court which would appear to be part of criminal law.