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The Bulletin summarises new content placed on Epic in the previous week and significant messages that have been circulated on the Chief Officer gateway. For NPS staff the link for Epic is: <http://npsintranet/index.htm>, for all other staff on the GSi it's: <http://npsintranet.probation.gsi.gov.uk/index.htm>.

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092/09 JUSTICE AWARDS 2009 – FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The finalists in the [Justice Awards 2009](#) have been announced. Staff from across NOMS have made the grade including:

Category	Nominee Name	
Working with Offenders (team award)	Children and Families Enterprise Project	Kent Probation
Working with Offenders (team award)	Christine Noon and Dermot Brady	London Probation
Partnership of the year (team award)	Community Domestic Abuse Programme	Kent Probation
Commitment to Diversity (team award)	Female Offenders - the Education, Training and Employment Team	Dorset Probation
Working with Offenders (individual award)	Liam Maidment	South Wales Probation
Volunteer of the year (individual award)	Martin Barrett	Kent Probation
Tackling Youth Crime (individual award)	Carl Clements	HMYOI Feltham
Working with Offenders (individual award)	Dave Asker	HMP Wandsworth
Commitment to Diversity (team award)	Diversity Department	HMP Brixton
Commitment to Diversity (individual award)	Morina Pierre	HMP Chelmsford

Judging now takes place in September before the winners are announced on 20 October. The Justice Awards began in 2004 to recognise the outstanding achievements of staff and volunteers working at the front line of criminal Justice. Many previous winners and runners-up have said that taking part has changed their lives, often increasing the profile of their work and helping them to achieve more in their chosen field.

Dorset Probation Service Unpaid work team (with Club 21), won last year's Commitment to Diversity team award. Jane Morton said: "I'm absolutely overwhelmed, the award is brilliant. It's an award for the offenders, for Club 21, for diversity, for the Probation Service and for the Unpaid Work Team. It's a big team effort."

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Now in their fifth year, the awards have celebrated the work of over one hundred individuals and teams. Categories include: work with victims and witnesses; efforts to tackle youth crime; work with offenders; contributions to local communities and diversity and partnership working across agencies.

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093/09 PROBATION QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK REVIEW – RESPONSE PUBLISHED

Seventy-four responses were received to the consultation from a wide range of interested parties including probation areas, boards and trusts, universities, unions and individual staff members. Responses have provided strong endorsement for the development of the new framework. In particular, almost all respondents welcomed the introduction of a qualification for probation services officers and the maintenance of a qualification at honours degree level for probation officers.

Further Information:

The response can be downloaded from the MoJ website

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/consultations/probation-qualifications-framework.htm>

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094/09 EAST OF ENGLAND TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT CONSORTIUM – NEW ADDRESS

Please note the new details below:

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095/09 NAPO DIRECTORY - AMENDED DETAILS

The main shared switchboard number for HMP Grendon and HMP Springhill is 01296 445000 (all 3's in our numbers have been exchanged for 5's earlier this year), this also apply to fax numbers."

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Probation Instructions 2009:

PI04 09	Recall of Prisoners on Licence – Sharing Information and Performance Monitoring	Issued 04 September
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OASys Message to Areas:

044 09	e-OASys Release 4.3.1b	Issued 02 September
045 09	Information Not To Be Disclosed To The Offender (INTBDTTO)	Issued 08 September
046 09	Disruption to Service	Issued 17 September

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