## PROFILE OF YOUNG PEOPLE

# IN DETENTION



### Q1 2017 – 69 YOUNG PEOPLE IN DETENTION:

- ► All male
- ▶ 36 on remand orders
- ► 33 on detention orders
- ► First time in detention for 10 young people

#### PRIOR TO DETENTION:

- ➤ 31 were in care (45%)
- ► 18 had been in three or more care placements
- ► 4 had been in 7 or more care placements

#### **MENTAL HEALTH:**

- ➤ 38 had a mental health need (55%)
- ➤ 22 had at one time been prescribed medication (almost exclusively for ADHD)

#### **EDUCATION:**

- ► 49 were not engaging in education prior to detention (71%)
- ➤ 36% had a diagnosed learning disability

#### **FAMILY:**

➤ 37 had suffered the loss of one or both parents either through death, imprisonment or no long-term contact (54%)

#### **OFFENDING:**

➤ 37 had multiple charges of the offence of Theft & Fraud

#### DRUGS/ALCOHOL:

➤ 54 had substance misuse problems (78%)

#### **SENTENCING:**

- ➤ 13 received a detention order of one year or more (19%)
- ➤ 5 received a detention order in excess of four years (7%)



