

Magistrates Courts Move - Working Group **(Fenton to Newcastle)**

Chair of the Working Group

- Councillor Gill Williams

Timescales for the Working Group

- Monitor the move to the end of March 2013 to include the move and beyond.
- There will be the potential to go beyond March 2013 if it is felt necessary.

Remit of Working Group

To look at:

- Crime and disorder aspect/policing
- Economic benefit
- Education/prevention
- CCTV and security incl. old Sainsbury's car park – extending current provision of volunteers to monitor the CCTV cameras
- Alcohol
- Signage
- Staffing levels in the courts
- Communication with businesses (Business Crime Initiative and Town Centre Partnerships)

Objectives for the Working Group

- Minimise any negative effects resulting from the move of the courts.
- Put measures in place prior to the move to mitigate against any possible problems.
- Enhance any positive aspects resulting from the move of the courts such as increased footfall in the town centre, solicitors working near to the courts etc.