

Don't miss the Next One

July saw the first Master Class on 'Transgender Issues in Policing,' which was held in the Thomas Butler lecture theatre at Bishopgarth. This is a subject that very few people have much awareness or experience of. The session looked at the life experiences of Trans men and women. It also allowed delegates to explore operational issues such as Searching, Custody, Medical needs and policing Transphobia as a hate crime.

The event was opened by ACC John Parkinson and presented by Carol Robson, BMedSci(Hons) FRSA. As well as provoking lively discussion, the awareness gap for those attending was significantly narrowed.

This was a popular master class with attendance well above that expected. The event is to be repeated at Millgarth PS 9.30 to 12.30hrs on Thursday 10th September and at Trafalgar House on Wednesday 16th September 09.30 to 12.30hrs.

The themes and areas contained within the master class include:

- Transgender terminology and related terms
- The life experiences of Trans men and women,
- UK legislation and the rights of the Transgender community,
- Explanations of Gender Dysphoria, Gender Identity Disorder, Gender Reassignment Surgery,

terminology such as transgendered, transsexual, transvestite.

- Service delivery requirements in terms of custody, search, recording and medical needs – Gender Recognition Certificate, Disclosure under the Gender Recognition Act 2004, Searching,

examples of medical needs,

- Policing Transphobia as a hate crime - case studies and guidance

