

The 5-part Plan

1. Social Work Support

Areas in which Pathway's social worker supports prisoners are:

- Assessment Motivation assessed, needs identified, relationship developed
- First day support Met at the gate, assisting with W&I and Probation
- Ongoing support Individual Reintegration Plan implementation
- Reporting Probation
- Crisis support Being available in times of need

Assessment is conducted over a period of at least two months before the inmate is due for release. It is a key component in our re-integration strategy. It allows time for relationships and trust to be built. It also allows us to make an assessment of their motivation to make a positive life change.

From these assessment meetings, an **Individual Re-integration Plan (IRP)** can be developed. The inmate is central to the planning process. This enables the inmate to take ownership of the process and value the outcomes. It is only on the completion of assessment that Pathway offers further support. An applicant who is successful will emerge with an Individual Re-integration Plan (IRP) that can be presented to the Parole Board to support a request for release.

An IRP can cover many topics including:

Accommodation	Community involvement	Family/whanau involvement
Employment	Counselling supports	Drug & alcohol support links
Church involvement	Life skills development	Restorative Justice commitments
Study/training	Recreation/sports	Rehabilitation support links
Social work support	Mentoring support	Sexual abuse support links
Budgeting advice	Transport requirements	Parole conditions
Financial support	Review periods	Cultural support links
Spiritual development	Circles of support	

The IRP forms the basis of the expectations between Pathway Trust and the released prisoner. It is the central stem of their social support. During the first three months following release, weekly visits by Pathway's social worker are scheduled. These focus on implementation and the goals of the IRP.

From months 4 to 6, the scheduled visits are reduced to monthly – but support is available throughout this period. Progress reports are prepared and supplied to Probation at the 3-month and 6-month points.

If a released prisoner deviates from the agreed IRP without consultation, their position of support is reviewed. If the released prisoner continues to deviate from the IRP, it may be cancelled. At this point, support would be withdrawn and Probation informed.