

The Experience of Young People Remanded in Custody: A Case for Bail Support and Supervision Schemes

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Summary: This article is based on a wider PhD study examining the issue of coping on remand. The research used court observation and semi-structured interviews conducted with young prisoners aged 16 to 21 years in remand custody. The findings indicate that young people often end up in remand custody as a result of non-compliance with bail. Arising from the research, the case is made that the operation of bail support and supervision schemes may benefit these young people greatly.

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