Justice Committee

Scottish Court Service recommendations for a future court structure in Scotland

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- The Court sat the equivalent of 257 days last year which merits it remaining open.

- Relative savings from closure (net of dilapidations which is only a paper accounting entry) leaves only £38,000 per year out of hoped for savings of £1.43m per year. Such a tiny saving does not justify dismantling local justice in Cupar - compare the one-off transfer to Dundee costs of £91,000. On the other hand Cupar Court generates fees of around £200,000 per year which must off-set its running costs

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