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Out of Court Disposals

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- Magistrates are very keen to avoid unnecessary criminalization of children and young people

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- Lack of logic in the various disposals available
- Postcode lottery
- Chief Constable + BCU Commander + Police Officer
- Urban myths
- Unfair

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- Crimes of violence
- Undercharging

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- Need for judicial oversight
- How will this be best achieved?
- Local solutions
- Police and Crime Commissioners

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- Magistrates need to know the full criminal record before sentencing

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- Catlike watchfulness
- Eternal vigilance is the price of youth justice

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