

## Ending Offending

Vulnerable women throughout the UK  
Are thrown into jail today  
Often through no fault of their own  
And their self-esteem thrown  
Away.

Ending Offending  
Is working on mending  
The lives of those whom society forgot -  
Tragically, there are rather a lot.

Imprisoned for non-violent offences -  
Please be under no pretences -  
These women may be victims of violence or worse,  
Have mental health problems and be easy to coerce.

Short sentences for the mentally ill  
Are not the answer and ultimately will  
End in disaster, heartbreak and grief.  
They embed no sense of self-belief.

Intensive community orders are best  
And easier for vulnerable women to digest.  
Giving support to those most in need -  
Support the Prison Reform Trust and help us succeed.


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