

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2024-021	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Police Perpetrated Domestic Abuse (PPDA) DRIVE Caseworker 2024/25
Summary	The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to provide funding to the South Wales Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (South Wales OPCC) to co-commission with Welsh Government, a PPDA DRIVE caseworker pilot for the financial year 2024/25.

DECISION

- The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides under sections 9 and 10 that the Police and Crime Commissioner for a police area makes crime and disorder grants and acts in co-operation with responsible authorities and makes arrangements with criminal justice agencies for the exercise of functions, so as to provide an efficient and effective criminal justice system for the area. This provision was further supplemented by virtue of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 which provided specific arrangements for the provision of funding for victims.

In order to fulfil on my commitment to victims of crime, I have considered their needs, the requirements under the Acts as well as the requirements of the Police and Crime Plan and have allocated funding of £10,000 towards a pilot intervention for perpetrators of PPDA. This will contribute towards a full time Drive caseworker to work with perpetrators who are currently or previously employed by the force, and linked to the victims who are open to/ referred to the TABW service, a service currently commissioned by my office.

Welsh Government identified an opportunity for collaborative funding along with the Gwent Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (Gwent OPCC) and South Wales OPCC for the following amounts:

 - £43,000 – Welsh Government
 - £10,000 – Gwent OPCC
 - £10,000 – South Wales OPCC

The Drive programme offers one to one intervention and support for high risk perpetrators of domestic abuse - the approach has been adapted and


developed to target the specific behaviours and issues linked to police perpetrators.

Drive was launched in South Wales in 2016 and has since been rolled out and embedded across the whole South Wales Police force area. Drive is delivered by Safer Merthyr Tydfil and supported by the Drive Partnership. This pilot is a good opportunity for Gwent to understand how the Drive model operates.

The Service will be for an initial 7-month pilot period starting in September 2024.

3. The service governance will be via the Police Perpetrator Domestic Abuse steering group and will be a standing agenda item at each meeting.

The service provider via South Wales OPCC will provide the Steering group with a dashboard that will include service highlights, areas for development, emerging practice and key data.

Mrs Jane Mudd, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent	
My decision is as I have recorded in this paper	
Signed 	Date 4.12.2024

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Background papers	