Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision		
PCCG-2013- 039	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session	
Subject	Grant Funding Allocation 2013/ 14	
Summary	The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to provide allocated grant funding to partnership organisations for the financial year 2013 /14.	

## DECISION

- 1. 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.
- 2. With effect from the financial year 2012 / 13, funding for youth crime and substance misuse prevention activities passed to the Police Authority and hence to the Police and Crime Commissioner in November 2012. The grant allocation for the financial year 2013 / 14 were announced in December 2012.
- 3. Under the same legislation and for the financial period 2013/14, a previous Home Office funded youth intervention programme known as Newport Positive Futures funding will become part of the Commissioner's available funding allocation.

Newport Positive Futures began in May 2002 and works with hard to reach young people aged 10-19 years old from across the City. It's a sports and activity based social inclusion programme, managed locally through Newport City Council's Sport and Physical Activity Development team, which in turn works with partner agencies to give young people a positive focus in life. It provides outreach programmes, volunteer opportunities, opportunities to gain qualifications, mentoring and intervention.

On 28<sup>th</sup> February, the Commissioner received a presentation on the outcomes from the programme provided by Positive Futures and options for continued delivery for which allocated funding could be used:

Option 1 suggested continued delivery at the present level for £64,000 per annum.

Option 2 presented a programme that doubled the current output level for £100,000 per annum and

Option 3 presented a Gwent wide programme at a cost of £131,000 per annum.

Positive Futures were able to evidence excellent levels of engagement with young people with over 1089 youngsters engaged, and over 90 youngsters gaining qualifications in just one year. Others had gained employment and took part in a range of mentoring and volunteer opportunities provided via the project.

Many of the outcomes from the Positive Future's programme link to the Commissioner's priorities, especially in supporting hard to engage younger people, as stated in his Police and Crime Plan, and will assist greatly in providing opportunities to facilitate youth intervention in support of other partners to prevent offending and reduce reoffending.

- 5. Considering the requirements under the Act, the current service provision landscape in Gwent and the progress made to date in producing a comprehensive grant commissioning framework, I have decided to allocate the Positive Futures programme £100,000 for the financial period 2013 / 2014. This is made up of the original grant of £64,000 together with a further allocation of £36,000 to allow the project team to double current outputs and to devise a programme that can be used across the wider Gwent area.
- 6. Positive Futures will need to provide me with such information to reassure me that the funding allocated is being used effectively to provide a service that meets my Policing Priorities for Gwent as stipulated in my Police and Crime Plan and which provides viable options for a wider Gwent provision.

Ian Johnston QPM, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent			
My decision is as I have recorded in this paper			
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Background papers	Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011.		
	HO Letter dated 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2012.		
	Positives Future Presentation-28 <sup>th</sup> February 2013.		