

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2014-082	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Commissioning of New Pathways and Victim Support
Summary	To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the provision of services by New Pathways and Victim Support.

DECISION

1. Responsibility for the provision of additional services for victims passed to Commissioners from October 1st and money was made available from the Ministry of Justice. The Victims Project Board has approved 2 funding bids that meet the following objectives:
 1. Improving and building on what is already delivered in response to evidenced service need; and
 2. Provision of a new category of support.
2. The first bid is in relation to victims of sexual crime in Gwent and addresses a serious shortfall in the support that is currently available. Consultation has taken place with the Police; the Head of Public Protection fully supports the proposal. This work would be undertaken by New Pathways.
3. The second bid is from Victim Support and relates to additional hours required to deliver a service to victims of car crime that is currently not available. Analysis of the figures indicates that this new category will create 300 extra calls a month and Victim Support require 25 additional hours to ensure they have the capacity to respond. The service can be immediately implemented from existing staff resources with the cost for a 5 month period up until 31st March 2015 being £5,415. Funding will also be provided to cover training and other provisions, the total cost to 31st March 2015 will be approximately £10,000.

The annual cost from 1st April 2015 will be £13,000 including on costs.

The volume, impact and customer feedback data will be closely monitored over the next few months to evaluate the success of this initiative and to assist the development of the Gwent service specification.

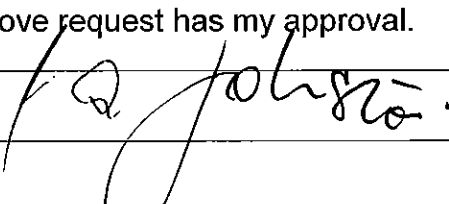
4. I have considered the proposals and agree to approve the funding for New Pathways and Victim Support with both services implemented from 1st November 2014.

Ian Johnston QPM, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent

I confirm I have considered whether or not I have any personal or prejudicial interest in this matter and take the proposed decision in compliance with my code of conduct. Any such interests are recorded below.

The above request has my approval.

Signed



Date

30.10.14.

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