

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2015-003	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Drug Interventions Programme
Summary	To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding commissioning of Gwent-wide Adult Drug and Alcohol Service.

DECISION

1. In November 2013, the Gwent Area Planning Board (APB) agreed to commission the Gwent-wide provision for substance misuse services for drugs and alcohol (at this stage, excluding the criminal justice element).

Based on this agreement, in December 2013 I decided to explore the possibility of working with APB partners to jointly commission substance misuse services in Gwent, but to include a criminal justice element in the proposed new service. To explore this opportunity and therefore provide for appropriate timescales, in January 2014 I made the decisions (PCCG-2014-003 and PCCG-2014-004 refer) to approve funding and therefore extend the contracts for a further twelve months for both substance misuse community prescribing service provision and also criminal justice intervention services. I.e. two service provisions, which deliver the criminal justice element of substance misuse in Gwent.
2. In March 2014, the APB agreed to include a criminal justice element in their jointly commissioned service provision.

A subgroup of the APB was then instructed to commission a Gwent-wide Adult Drug and Alcohol Service (GDAS) advertised in three lots:
 - An alcohol service;
 - A drug service; and
 - A criminal justice service.

The contract award process would be administered by Newport City Council's Procurement and Legal Departments.
3. In December 2014, GDAS were awarded the Gwent-wide Adult Drug and Alcohol Service contract for a period of 3 years (with a possible extension of a further 2 years); with a go live date of 1st May 2015. On the 2nd February 2015 therefore, I have served notice on the two existing service providers, who currently deliver the criminal justice element of the new contract. These existing contracts will end on the 30th April 2015, thereby allowing for a three month handover period.

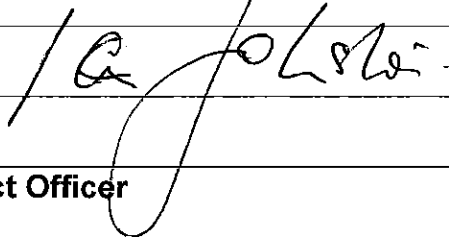
4. To facilitate the smooth operation of the new contract between the extensive partners represented on the APB, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is currently being finalised. When complete (which will be prior to the end of the three month handover period), I will be a signatory to the MoU.

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

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