

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2020-005	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Community Safety and Youth Offending Partner Funding for 1 st July 2020 – 31 st March 2021.
Summary	The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to implement new funding arrangements and allocations for community safety and youth offending partners for 1 st July 2020 – 31 st March 2021

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. Since 2016/17, I have contributed to community safety and youth offending by creating a Safer Gwent Fund linked to Safer Gwent, the regional Community Safety Partnership (CSP). Since the introduction of Public Service Boards the purpose of Safer Gwent is under review, with business as usual significantly reduced until this piece of work is concluded. For 2019/20, as an interim solution, the decision was made that funding would be rolled over for one year to those organisation funded via Safer Gwent, whilst the Safer Gwent review was being concluded. However, there is still no date for the conclusion of the Safer Gwent review. As such, in December 2019, I began a process of consultation on a number of options for community safety and youth offending funding going forward. My decision log PCCG2019-082, outlined my decision to extend 2019/20 grants by 3 months to the 30th June 2020, to allow appropriate time for completion of consultation and final decision making.
3. The requirements under the Act have been considered as well as the requirements of the Police and Crime Plan and the current community safety landscape in Gwent. This consultation process has now been completed and I have come to decision in relation to the new arrangements for supporting community safety and youth offending in Gwent, which will be implemented from 1st July 2020.

The new arrangements will allocate a sum of funding to each Local Authority and Youth Offending Service based on an agreed formula, which takes into consideration both the population and the crime rate of each Local Authority area.

With a budget of £ 325,500 for community safety and youth offending for 2020/21 and using the agreed formula, the following allocations will be made for the 9 month period 1st July 2020 to 31st March 2021:

Project / Service	Amount Allocated for Q2-Q4
Caerphilly County Borough Council – Community Safety	£45,777
Torfaen County Borough Council - Community Safety	£30,281
Newport City Council - Community Safety	£47,864
Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council - Community Safety	£25,261
Monmouthshire County Council - Community Safety	£26,317
Community Safety Total	£175,500
Monmouthshire and Torfaen YOS	£44,410
Newport YOS	£46,227
Caerphilly and Blaenau Gwent YOS	£59,363
Youth Offending Total	£150,000
Total	£325,500

I will also provide transition funding of £3,936 to Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council and £2,546 to Caerphilly County Borough Council – CSP to ameliorate the potential impact of the variance in Community Safety funding they will receive, compared with previous funding arrangements which involved grant applications. This transition funding will be a one-off contribution for the 2020/21 financial year only.

I have also agreed, in consultation with community safety partners, to allocate £40,000 to fund a 12 month pilot regional post, which will drive forward the Safer Gwent review and support community safety partners to find a longer term, more sustainable solution for the delivery and funding of regional arrangements and coordination across Gwent.

In total, this bring my investment in community safety and youth offending in Gwent in the financial year 2020/21 to £457,941 (inclusive of the decision to award Quarter 1 funding of £85,959 in PCCG2019-082).

4. The funding will be made available in line with the proposed allocations, but the final award will be subject to the submission of information to the OPCC, which shows that the need for the planned activity is clearly linked to the strategic needs assessment; the PCC’s Police and Crime Plan; and that planned activity is clearly being linked to measurable outcomes.

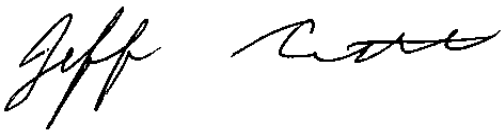
The arrangements for each award will be set out in a Grant Agreement, which includes appropriate terms and conditions, purpose of the award and payment, monitoring and reporting arrangements.

At a minimum, in order to monitor the progress of funded projects, and provide reassurance that funding allocated is effectively meeting Policing Priorities in Gwent, as outlined in the Police and crime Plan, grant recipients are required to complete a mid-year and an end of year monitoring report, which will require the following information to be provided:

- Project Activity;
- Project Outputs;
- Project Outcomes;
- Breakdown of financial expenditure;
- Risk; and
- Learning.

Where the review panel recommended additional conditions over and above the standard terms and conditions, in order to gain assurance and clarity in relation to project deliverables and outcomes, these will be monitored in addition to the minimum monitoring and reporting requirements and where appropriate and proportional, have been linked to the release of funding.

Successful applicants will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant, which will be outlined in a Grant Agreement and Grant Offer Letter, by signing and returning the relevant documentation.

Mr Jeff Cuthbert, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent	
My decision is as I have recorded in this paper	
Signed 	Date 16.05.2020

Contact Officer	
Name	Emma Lionel
Position	Principal Finance and Commissioning Manager

Telephone	01633 642203
Email	emma.lionel@gwent.pnn.police.uk
Background papers	Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011. OPCC Options Paper - Funding arrangements for community safety and youth offending FINAL DRAFT FOR CONSULTATION