PCC's Commissioning Intentions 2022/23

Commissioning Budget

In 2022/23 the PCC's Commissioning Budget for commissioning services is £6.957m, this is made up of the following income streams:

- Commissioner's Core budget;
- Ministry of Justice (MoJ) Victims' Services Core Grant;
- MoJ Specific Grant;
- Partners' Contributions:
- Home Office Grant:
- Welsh Government Grant;
- · Proceeds of Crime monies; and
- Commissioner's Reserves and Committed Funds.

Commissioning Intentions

The PCC has established two annual competitive grant funds which are open to receive bids. Each has its own criteria and eligibility requirements, and both are intended to support delivery of the Police and Crime Plan priorities and can be utilised to fund desired requirements by encouraging suitable organisations to apply. These Competitive Grant Fund will continue for 2022/23, they are:

Positive Impact Fund

Police Community Fund

The PCC also contributes annually to the High Sheriff's Grant Fund which compliments the OPCC Funds and contributes to the PCC's priorities. The award and management of these grants are made by the High Sheriff, the PCC is not involved in decision making.

The PCC may establish further grant funds as and when additional income is received and where a competitive grant fund has been selected as the most appropriate funding mechanism. All open, competitive grant funds are published on our website and promoted across the sector.

Commissioning of services for each of the other funds and budgets is determined by a range of factors including current stage of commissioning cycle, the local landscape and partnerships, funding mechanism and terms and conditions of agreement. Services are secured following a grant or procurement process to secure the requirement or grant funding can be strategically allocated to partners using a prescribed formula in order to support delivery of shared priorities.

Ad-hoc, unsolicited funding requests which are received outside of the funding streams documented and advertised will not be accepted by the OPCC. However, details of a request will be reviewed, and where the work is of interest and in line with the Commissioner's priorities, we contact the applicant to find out more and explore potential options for supporting.

The below table details the 2022/23 budget allocation for commissioned services which are directly in the control of the OPCC for commissioning purposes; and also the total budget of commissioned services, inclusive of funds not under the direct control of the OPCC e.g. partnership income or directly awarded grants to service providers:

Primary Priority	Thematic budget areas / ringfenced funds	Commissioning Intention	Commissioning Approach	Commissioning Activity for 22-23	Budget allocation 2022/23 (£)
Keep Neighbourhoods Safe.	Diversionary Services.	To provide a comprehensive approach to diversion including the assessment and triage service, as well as support services to reduce reoffending	Jointly commissioned with South Wales PCC, Welsh Government and HMPSS, with Gwent OPCC as the procurement lead.	The current contract has been extended to run from 1st Oct 2021 to 31st September 2023. An evaluation of the service took place in	£320,554 of Commissioner's direct funding. £1,415,054 Commissioned service total.

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		for women and young adults aged 18-25.	A two-year contract was awarded in October 2019 to F4 a consortium of agencies - G4S, Safer Wales, include and Llamau. The contract is reviewed annually.	2020/21, and is due to be concluded early 2022. An Out of Court Disposal (OoCD) pilot began in April 2021 for 18 months. Ongoing monitoring of current contract.	
Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Substance misuse Services.	To provide a wide support for those in the criminal justice system to address their substance misuse with the intention of reducing reoffending.	The service was commissioned by the Gwent Substance Misuse Area Planning Board in 2014. The OPCC is a member of the partnership. The service is delivered by a consortium, with the criminal justice element being delivered by G4S.	Work has continued during 21/22 to re-commission a CJ substance misuse service for Apr 22 to March 2023. Ongoing monitoring of current contract.	£867,279 of Commissioner's direct funding. £1,454,366 Commissioned service total.
Combat Serious Crime.	Serious Violence and	To pilot interventions which protect children and young people	The services were commissioned via a grant process in	The interventions have been extended to be delivered in 2022/23, there	£164,645 of Commissioner's direct funding.

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	Organised Crime.	from serious harm caused by serious violence and organised crime by delivering interventions that support those involved in criminality.	2018/19 when Home Office Funding was received. Home Office funding ceased at the end of 2020/21 but the programme has continued on a lesser scale.	will be ongoing monitoring of these to inform decisions in relation to intentions post March 23.	£164,645 Commissioned service total.
Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Early Action Together.	The Early Action Together programme aims to facilitate the transformation of policing in Wales to a multi-agency; ACE (Adverse Childhood Experience) informed approach that enables early intervention and root cause prevention.	The Newport and Blaenau Gwent pilots were set up when the EAT project was funded via Home Office grant. Since the cessation of Home Grant at the end of 2019/20, the project has been extended each year since. The Blaenau Gwent pilot ceased at the end of 2020/21, but Newport City Council continue to receive a grant to deliver the pilot intervention.	The Newport intervention were extended to be delivered in 22/23, there will be ongoing monitoring of this is required to inform decisions in relation to intentions post March 23. Expansion of the Force Control Room's SSPs to me monitored.	£480,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £480,000 Commissioned service total.

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			placement of a Senior Social Worker Practitioner (SSP) in the Force Control Room, under the initial EAT Project. Following the successful conclusion of this pilot, the SSP establishment has been increased to 5.		
Keep Neighbourhoods Safe.	Community Safety.	To contribute to the work of key community safety partners, working together to deliver projects and service across the five local authorities in Gwent, that will support delivery of the Police and Crime Plan Priorities.	The annual allocation to each local authority is based on an agreed formula. There is also £15,000 allocated to the "Wings to Fly" programme which is related to drug education for young children.	Monitoring of current funding contributions. Discussions required about funding of the Gwent Regional CS post.	£315,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £315,000 Commissioned service total.

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Keep Neighbourhoods Safe.	Youth Offending Fund.	To contribute to the work of key youth offending partners, working together to deliver projects and service across the five local authorities in Gwent that will support delivery of the Police and Crime Plan Priorities.	The annual allocation to each Youth Offending Service is made based on an agreed formula.	Monitoring of current funding contributions.	£200,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £200.000 Commissioned service total.
Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Diversionary Services – CYP.	To provide diversionary activities which enable vulnerable and at risk children and young people in Gwent to reach their potential and achieve the following outcomes: Improved health and wellbeing Improved life skills Increased engagement in education,	An application is made by the invited organisation on an annual basis to secure the funding contribution towards their diversionary provision in Gwent.	Significant changes have been made to Positive Futures provision in 20/21 due to the pandemic. This new arrangement was monitored in 2021/22 and further funding was agreed for 2022/23.	£181,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £181,000 Commissioned service total.

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		employment and training.			
Increase Community Confidence in Policing.	Police Community Fund.	To enable children and young people in Gwent to be safe, healthy and happy, building a better future for themselves and their community by tackling community based issues in a lasting and impactful way.	Grants application and award process is administered quarterly for this Fund.	Grant application process is underway for 2022/23 grant awards. Grants will be monitored during the year.	£300,000 of Commissioner's direct funding (of which £150,000 is POCA monies). £300,000 Commissioned service total.
Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Victims – General.	To provide a multi- agency hub for victims and witnesses of crime in Gwent. Offering support to people who have been affected by crime.	The Connect Gwent Hub is commissioned by the OPCC and Gwent Police. Victims Support holds a contract to provide ongoing support for victims. Age Cymru, Umbrella Cymru, ABHUB provide specialist services and are grant funded annually.	Implementation of the new model where initial contact is now made by a Police Update Team. Ongoing monitoring of the current grants and contracts. Recommissioning of the ongoing support and specialist services for adults and children beyond April 2023.	£767,416 of Commissioner's direct funding. £767,416 Commissioned service total.

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Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Sexual Violence.	To provide SARC, ISVA and counselling provision for victims of any age or gender affected by sexual violence or CSA/E.	Two organisations are invited to submit proposals for a ringfenced allocation of Sexual Violence Funding on an annual basis to contribute to their sexual violence services.	Ongoing monitoring of the current grants. An ISVA review is currently being commissioned by DPP, SWP and GP which is expected to inform the commissioning intentions post March 2023. Additional MOJ funding for ISVAS for 2022/23 is £159,709.80. This is included in the budget allocation figure.	£479,900 of Commissioner's direct funding. £479,900 Commissioned service total.	
Support Victims and Protect the Vulnerable.	Domestic Abuse.	To provide a service which coordinates multi-agency support to domestic abuse victims over 16 years old assessed as high risk.	A Regional IDVA service is jointly commissioned with Newport City Council with both providers contributing approximately 50% of costs. An annual grant is provided to Newport Council for	Ongoing monitoring of current grant. Joint commissioning of the IDVA service for Apr 23. In May 2020 a decision was made by the VAWDASV Partnership Board that the service should be retendered in order to	£256,363 of Commissioner's direct funding. £741,019 Commissioned service total.	

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			delivery of the service.	secure a model of service which meets current demand and provides a more sustainable and long-term agreement in relation to the funding of the service.	
				A procurement process is planned with Newport City Council, the regional VAWDASV team and the OPCC working together to secure the required service.	
				Additional MOJ funding for IDVA'S for 2022/23 is £178,760. This is included in the budget allocation figure.	
				Furthermore, the OPCC and Gwent Police were successful in securing £205,469 of Home Office Grant in 2020/21 to deliver a Perpetrator interventions	

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				pilot. With the cessation of this grant in 2021/22, £100,000 has been set aside in 2022/23 to continue the pilot.	
Increase Community Confidence in Policing.	Positive Impact Fund.	To contribute to the work of groups and organisation positively impacting communities in Gwent and delivering against Police and Crime Plan Priorities.	Contributions of around £200 - £500 are made to organisations who are able to meet the funding aim.	OPCC, LPA East and LPA West.	£30,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £30,000 Commissioned service total.
Increase Community Confidence in Policing.	High Sheriff's Fund (HSF).	To provide a safer and better quality of life for the people of Gwent, particularly children and young people, by supporting community-based initiatives and projects that reduce crime and improve community safety.	Funding contribution of £65k agreed to support the HSF in 2022/23. The HSF is managed by Community Foundation in Wales (CFIW).	The application process is underway and will be concluded in March for the grants awarded for 2022/23 by the High Sheriff and CFIW.	£65,000 of Commissioner's direct funding. £75,000 Commissioned service total.

A detailed breakdown of how these thematic budgets and ring-fenced funds have been allocated in 2022/23 can be found in Appendix A below. This shows the organisations in receipt of funding, the purpose of funding, funding mechanism, length of funding and amount.

Appendix A - 2022/23 list

Organisation	Project Name/Service	Description	Funding Stream	Funding Mechanism	Period Funded From	Period Funded to	Amount Awarded
Future 4	Women's Pathfinder and 18- 25 Diversion.	The service provides a comprehensive approach to diversion including the assessment and triage service; as well as support services to reduce reoffending for women and young adults aged 18-25.	Diversionary Services.	Contract.	1 st October 2019	30 September 2023	£1,415,054 (Gwent as procurement lead for commissioning partners).
G4S (as subcontractor for Kaleidoscope, procured by NCC on behalf of APB)	Gwent Drug & Alcohol Service – Criminal Justice.	To provide a wide range of support for those in the criminal justice system to address their substance misuse, with the intention of reducing reoffending.	Substance Misuse Services.	Contract (held by APB, tendered via NCC).	1 st May 2015	31 March 2023	£1,454,366
South Wales Fire & Rescue Service	Anti-Social Behaviour & Deliberate Fire Reduction Practitioner.	Staffing costs are funded via this service.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2020	31st March 2023	£28,000
Monmouthshire & Torfaen Youth Offending Service	Youth Offending Service.	Staffing costs are funded via this service.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£59,214
Blaenau Gwent & Caerphilly Youth Offending Service	Youth Offending Service.	Staffing costs are funded via this service.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£79,150

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Newport Youth Offending Service	Youth Offending Service.	Staffing costs are funded via this service.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£61,636
Newport City Council	Community Safety & Domestic Abuse Unit Projects & Programme Support.	Staffing and operational activity costs are funded via this service.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£63,819
Caerphilly County Borough Council	To improve community safety and prevent crime and ASB.	Community safety services - staff costs.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£61,035
Torfaen County Borough Council	To improve community safety and prevent crime and ASB.	Community safety services - staff costs.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£40,375
Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council	To improve community safety and prevent crime and ASB.	Community safety services - staff costs.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£33,681
Monmouthshire County Council	To improve community safety and prevent crime and ASB.	Community safety services - staff costs.	Community Safety Partnerships & Youth Offending Services.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£35,090
Crimestoppers Trust	Fearless Programme.	Co-delivery of education, including reporting, around serious violence and organised crime to Year 7's in Gwent with additional	Serious Violence & Organised Crime - Prevent Interventions.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£40,851

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		single delivery to schools when available.					
St Giles Trust	SOS Gwent Project.	1-1 intervention for children and families involved/at risk of becoming involved in serious organised crime and serious violence. Also assisting with co-delivery of Crimestoppers Fearless Programme to Year 7's.	Serious Violence & Organised Crime - Prevent Interventions.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£123,794
Newport Live	Positive Futures Programme Pan Gwent.	Diversionary sport / activities within communities across Gwent.	Youth Intervention.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£181,000
Newport City Council	Early Intervention Project in Newport.	Pilot to focus on the early identification of families who do not meet statutory safeguarding thresholds, providing an offer of direct interventions and support to meet the family's needs at that time.	Early Action Together.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£120,000
Victims Support	Victims Referral and Support Service.	The service delivers immediate and ongoing emotional and practical support for victims of crime in Gwent.	Victims Services Fund.	Contract.	1 st April 2021	31 st March 2023	£259,000

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Newport City Council	IDVA Service.	Accepting referrals for high risk victims of domestic abuse and their families (ages 16+) from partner organisations; co-ordinate support packages to clients; make onward referrals; work with partner organisations to deliver best outcomes etc. In May 2021 additional funding was also provided by the MOJ towards a further x4 IDVA's to provide additional support within the service.	Victims Services Fund.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£335,123 (incl MOJ Grant)
New Pathways	New Pathways Project.	SARC Services in Risca 24/7; ISVA Services 9-5pm 5 days a week; childrens therapy 9-5pm 5 days a week; Adult Counselling 9- 5pm 5 days a week, 9am- 8pm twice per week and every Saturday, plus a community ISVA. Additional funding from the MOJ has also provided for the costs of a Male ISVA, Sexual Violence Support Worker and Pre Trial Counsellor.	Victim Services Fund.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£385,400

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Cyfannol Womens' Aid	Horizon Sexual Violence Services and Drop-in Centre.	Adult Counselling, ISVA Services and Drop-in Centre for vulnerable women.	Victim Support Services Grant.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£94,500
Umbrella Cymru	Specialist Service Provision for Children and Young People who are victims of crime.	Specialist person centred support services e.g. counselling to children and young people; activities and events; Raising awareness of the service among target demographic and organisations working with children and young people (within Connect Gwent and externally).	Victim Support Services Grant.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£73,392
Umbrella Cymru	Gender Service - supporting victims of crime who require it in relation to their gender or sexual identity.	Person centred support service for victims of crime: Assessing needs of people referred; creating person centred support plans; working with partners to provide effective support; seeking feedback from service users. Also raising awareness of the service through targeted demographic and organisations.	Victim Support Services Grant.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£5,000

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Age Cymru	30 Hours of service provision by an Older People's Caseworker at Connect Gwent.	Person centred support service for victims of crime aged 50+: Assessing needs of people referred; creating person centred support plans; working with partners to provide effective support; seeking feedback from service users. Also raising awareness of the service.	Victim Support Services Grant.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£18,750
Aneurin Bevan University Health Board	50% of costs towards Wellbeing Practitioner based at Connect Gwent as Community Psychiatric Nurse.	A person centred service for victims of crime requiring mental health/wellbeing support. Also providing awareness of the service to targeted demographic and organisations, plus providing mental health and wellbeing support to staff at Connect Gwent.	Victim Support Services Grant.	Grant.	1st April 2021	31st March 2023	£24,500

Police Community Fund

£300,000 annually is apportioned to the PCC Police Community Fund where applicants are invited to apply for funding between 10k to 50k for between 1 to 3 years per year.

This Fund aims to enable children and young people in Gwent to be safe, healthy and happy, building a better future for themselves and their community by tackling community-based issues in a lasting and impactful way. Building a positive relationship between children and young people and the police, based on mutual respect, is essential. Through focusing on early intervention and prevention the Fund will support children and young people who are vulnerable or at-risk to move forward with their lives and realise their full potential, establishing resilient, safer and more inclusive communities.

Neighbourhood Policing Teams are well placed to know the needs of the local community so are fundamental in working with local organisations to support and help solve identified issues. Local Inspectors, together with Gwent Police representatives, will facilitate and enable the generation of project ideas from within their respective communities that target children and young people who are at risk of entering or already in the criminal justice system or have been victims of crime.

They will take account of areas of deprivation, greatest need and demand on policing to encourage evidence based, targeted projects that complement and enhance the police's work and achieve positive outcomes for children, young people and the community.

The Fund will support not-for-profit organisations seeking to deliver projects and services working with children, young people or vulnerable adults under the age of 25 who live in the Gwent Police Force area. The Fund will focus on projects supporting children and young people who

- are at risk of entering or are involved in the criminal justice system, or
- have become victims of crime.

The 22/23 fund was launched in the summer of 2021. Applicants were invited to submit Pre-Qualification Questionnaires that were reviewed by the OPCC and local Inspectors. Overall,19 PQQs were received. Of those 19, 10 were deemed to fit the remit of the fund and invited to formally apply for funding. All 10 applied and subsequent due diligence enquiries, OPCC reviews, Gwent Police reviews (e.g. via Serious Violent Crime / Custody etc where appropriate depending on bids) and local Inspector reviews then took place. The bids were then all submitted to the LPA Chief Inspectors for recommendation on whether they should proceed to the Funding Panel or be declined based on local policing need. All 10 passed the process and were reviewed by the Funding Panel on 14th February 2022.

The 10 applications totalled £315,540.45. However, there were already x6 applications that have funding ringfenced for year 2 or year 3 delivery based on previous funding rounds, those six projects totalled £189,383.63. This meant that out of the £300,000 budget available only £110,616.37 was available to be awarded.

Following the Panel review only 5 of the 10 bids were recommended for funding, these totalled out at £85,109.90 bringing the overall 22/23 funding allocation to a grand total of £274,493.53. The PCC Decision Panel will take place in early March 2022 to formally sign off agreement of the recommendations made. Once this has occurred all applicants will be notified of the outcome – grant agreements to those successful / decline letters with rationale to those unsuccessful.

Positive Impact Funds

Of the £30,000 set aside for the three Positive Impact Funds, no allocations have been made for the 2022/23 financial year at this stage.