

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2019-80	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Commissioning Fund Grant Allocation 2020/21 – Early Action Together
Summary	To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner to provide funding to Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council, and Newport City Council and Gwent Police to deliver a whole system response to vulnerability, by implementing Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) informed approaches for operational policing and key partners.

DECISION

1.

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (the Act) 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. This provision was further supplemented by virtue of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act (2014) which provided specific arrangements for the provision of commissioning services for victims.
2.

In November 2017, the four Welsh Commissioners and Forces, Public Health Wales and Barnardo's Cymru were successful in receiving £6.9m of Police Transformation Funding (over the three years until March 2020) from the Home Office, to deliver a pan-Wales programme of work to deliver an 'Adverse Childhood Experiences' (ACE) approach to policing vulnerability. This programme of work was subsequently named the Early Action Together (EAT) Programme, which since inception, has been co-ordinated via a multi-agency National Board, supported by Local Project Boards in each Force area.

The Home Office grant covered not only Core Programme Delivery Staffing costs, but also an element for each Force area to deliver 'Enhanced Services', across a thematic area, that would deliver long-term sustainable improvements to both the thematic and geographic areas. In Gwent, the Enhanced Services Budget funded two pilot projects for one year. Decision Log PCC2019-023 records my decision to provide funding for the pilot intervention in 2019/20.
3.

No continuation funding has been provided by the Home Office to fund the EAT project nationally or locally for 2020/21. A business case has been approved via the OPCC and Gwent Police governance structure to continue

delivery of the Gwent EAT project and its pilot interventions in the two pathfinder areas for 2020/21.

Based on progress and performance of the interventions delivered in 2019/20, I have decided to extend the pilot projects by one year. The following funding will be awarded for 2020/21

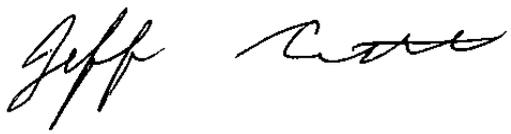
Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council - £78,858

The pilot project builds into the Information, Assistance and Advice (IAA) service which provides a 'one front door' for referrals to Children's Services.

Newport City Council - £188,903

The pilot project builds into the existing Safeguarding Hub response to safeguarding in Newport.

5. The arrangements for each award will be set out in a Grant Agreement, which includes appropriate terms and conditions, purpose of the award, payment, monitoring and reporting arrangements.
- As 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;
 - Risks; and
 - Learning.
- Applicant organisations 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. Payment of grants is subject to ongoing compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant and satisfactory monitoring and reporting.

Jeff Cuthbert, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent	
My decision is as I have recorded in this paper	
Signed 	Date 01.04.2020

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Background papers	Gwent Project Board Proposals for the implementation of early intervention concepts in Blaenau Gwent and Newport – February 2019.