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| **Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision** | |
| **PCCG-2023-035** | Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision session |
| **Subject** | Serious Violence and Organised Crime – Interventions Funding 2024/25 |
| **Summary** | To record the decision to provide grant funding to organisations working together with Gwent Police to deliver Serious Violence and Organised Crime interventions during the 2024/25 financial year. |

**DECISION**

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| 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. 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 funding for victims. |
| 2. | In 2023/2024 (as with 2021/22 and 2022/23) no further Home Office funding was available for the Newport SOC work and as a consequence, the budget for continuing the pilot interventions was reduced. Recommendations were made by the Project Leads in relation to how the available funding for 2023/2024 was prioritised. Based on the SVOC objectives for 2023/2024, a process was instigated to allow proposals to be submitted for the continued delivery of pilot interventions in 2024/25. The proposals were reviewed and funding recommendations made by a Panel of Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Gwent Police representatives. |
| 3. | I have considered the requirements under both Acts; the recommendations made by the Panel; and assessed the impact on my Police and Crime Priorities for Gwent and have decided that I will provide funding, to the following organisations:  **St Giles Trust - £134,044.39**   * To deliver one to one crisis intervention to young people and their families, at risk of involvement or involved in serious violence and organised crime; and co-deliver the ‘Fearless’ Programme in Schools with Crimestoppers.   **Crimestoppers Trust - £44,553**   * To co-deliver the Fearless Programme to Year 7 pupils in educational establishments with St Giles Trust; and provide targeted support to schools in hotspot areas where serious violence or organised crime is an issue.   In order to fulfil on my commitments, I have considered the requirements under the Act as well as the priorities outlined in the Police and Crime Plan and have allocated an amount of **£178,597.39** to contribute to the delivery of the interventions above that delivery on the priority of reducing serious violence and organised crime in Gwent. |
| 4. | 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.  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, the 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 proportionate, 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 prior to any funding being released. |

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| **Jeff Cuthbert B.SC., MCIPD, 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  20.03.2024 |

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| **Background papers** | * SVOC Proposal Form 2024/25 * SVOC Proposal Guidance and Criteria Document 2024/25 |