

Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision	
PCCG-2018-037	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision
Subject	Interim Children and Young People Victims' service
Summary	To record the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding funding Umbrella Cymru to continue to provide an Interim Children and Young People's Victim Service.

DECISION

1. Embrace has been providing services for Children and Young People who are victims or witnesses of crime since the opening of Connect Gwent in 2015. The last contract ended on March 31st 2018. This service has been reviewed and a decision made to expand and improve the provision. The new service is being advertised by an Invitation To Tender (ITT). Unfortunately due to changes in staff and sickness absence the tender release has been delayed which has led to a gap in Embrace services ending and the ITT being awarded for the new service. The service was extended for 6 months to allow for the ITT process to be completed. The Procurement process has commenced and it is anticipated that the new contract will be officially awarded for delivery of the new service to commence in January 2019.
2. Umbrella Cymru have provided an interim service from April 9th and have been funded to do this until November 9th. It is requested that they are funded for a further 4 months to allow for a smooth handover from one service to the other to ensure children and young people are not left without service provision. Umbrella Cymru will not be applying to run the new service, however they have the appropriate policies, procedures and insurance to deliver the service required. They are already based in Connect Gwent so can pick up the referrals via the existing pathways, enabling provision of continuous support for children, young people and their families.
3. The cost will be £12,000 in total for the 4 month extension. This has been costed at £3,000 per month to provide 37.5 hours of staff support and all associated costs with providing the service.

Jeff Cuthbert B.SC., MDIPD, 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 

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Background papers