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| **Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision** | |
| PCCG-2025-001 | Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session |
| Subject | Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA) Service Funding 2025/26 |
| Summary | The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to provide grant funding to Newport City Council to contribute to the provision of the IDVA service for the financial year 2025/26. |

**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 order to fulfil on my commitment to victims of crime, I have considered the requirements under the Acts as well as the requirements of the Police, Crime and Justice Plan 2025-2029 and have allocated an amount of £156,363 to contribute to the delivery of the high-risk Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA) service in 2025/26. This is allocated in line with the contributions set out in the Collaboration Agreement between the OPCC and Partners, which details the commissioning arrangements and financial investment made by each Partner towards the service. |
| 3. | The arrangements for the 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, Crime and Justice Plan 2025-2029, 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.   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 are 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. |

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| **Jane Mudd, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent** | |
| My decision is as I have recorded in this paper | |
| Signed | Date  02.06.2025 |

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