

## Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision

PCCG-2015-032	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision
Subject	Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner's Commissioning Budget
Summary	Agreement to fund the four Community Safety Action Teams (CSAT) each in the sum of £1,000 during 2015/16 for Monmouthshire Localised Funding for rapid response for victims

### DECISION

1. Monmouthshire County Council has four regional Community Safety Action Teams known as CSAT's. They are situated in Abergavenny, Monmouth (including Raglan and Usk), Chepstow and Caldicot. In other parts of the force area similar work is undertaken via Crime Prevention Panels.

The CSAT's are well established groups made up of a number of agencies, from Youth Service, LA, Police, Education, Neighbourhood Watch and elected Councillors, who provide a local response and support to victims of Crime and Anti-social Behaviour.

In order to provide the reassurance and maintain public confidence it is crucial for these groups to carry a relatively small budget. This budget enables the group to react quickly to local incidents where the victim, and in some cases the immediate neighbourhoods, can be given some assistance towards mitigating what is causing the harm or nuisance.

The CSAT's report to the Safer Monmouthshire Group which aligns the activities and outcomes to the Single Integrated Plan, focusing mainly on Part Two: People are Confident, Capable and Involved. The sub groups being People's lives are not affected by alcohol and drug misuse; Families are supported; and People feel safe.
2. The CSAT process is very much victim focused and has the ability for members of the public to attend and present an issue that is affecting their community which will be discussed and a response provided.
3. I am aware that previously, CSAT's have been able to assist the Youth Service in engaging with young people in areas where anti-social behaviour and substance misuse is evident. CSAT's also work with the Youth Service in enabling hard to reach groups in isolated rural areas are engaged in the Youth Service provision with a mobile unit that can be set up anywhere and is self-sufficient. They have responded to concerns of safety in town centres by providing Family Safety Packs, containing bike marking, purse lanyards, purse

bells, anti-drink spike tops, sat nav sponge and child's reflector badges. Also target hardening projects such as additional lighting, shed alarms, door alarms and in some cases deployable CCTV.

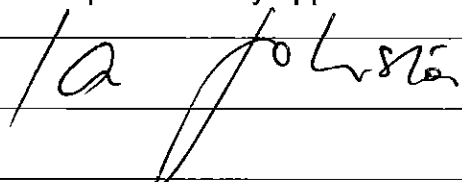
4. Funding has been requested for £1,000 for each CSAT, a total of £4,000 for 2014/16. I am supportive of the CSAT's and in line with Crime Prevention projects I support I am awarding £1,000 to each. In future, I would expect that Crime Prevention Panels will be established in Monmouthshire and that this may be a future route through which to provide Crime Prevention funding.
5. The grant is provided as part of my commissioning budget for 2015/16 on the basis that I will receive such information as necessary to reassure me that the grant funding has been used effectively to produce a service that supports my priorities for Gwent as stipulated in my Police and Crime Plan.

**Ian Johnston QPM, 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

26.5.15.

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