

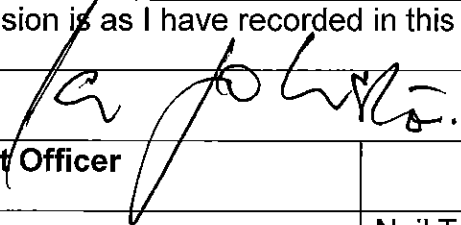
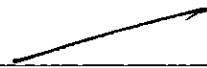
## Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision

PCCG-2015-042	Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session
Subject	Positive Futures Grant Funding Allocation 2015/ 16
Summary	The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to provide allocated grant funding to the Gwent Positive Futures programme for the financial year 2015 /16.

### DECISION

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.
2. With effect from the financial year 2012/13, funding for youth crime and substance misuse prevention activities passed to the Police Authority and hence to the Police and Crime Commissioner in November 2012.
3. Under the same legislation, a previous Home Office funded youth intervention programme known as Newport Positive Futures funding became part of the Commissioner's available funding allocation of circa £65,000.  
  
Newport Positive Futures began in May 2002 and works with hard to reach young people aged 10-19 years old from across the City. It's a sports and activity based social inclusion programme, managed locally through Newport City Council's Sport and Physical Activity Development team, which in turn works with partner agencies to give young people a positive focus in life. It provides outreach programmes, volunteer opportunities, and opportunities to gain qualifications, mentoring and intervention.  
  
Since 2013 the Commissioner has provided funding to the programme to continue its services. At the same time additional funding to the total value of £100,000 was provided to enable the programme to be expanded across Gwent.  
  
Since 2013 the programme has considerably expanded its activity, in partnership with Local Authorities and 3<sup>rd</sup> Voluntary sector organisations, and as such it has been agreed that a central coordination role should now be put in place to allow for the wider coordination of the programme. This is in line with the original decision made to support the programme in 2013 (Decision Log 2013-039 applies)

4. Many of the outcomes from the Positive Future's programme link to the Commissioner's priorities, especially in supporting hard to engage younger people, as stated in his Police and Crime Plan, and will assist greatly in providing opportunities to facilitate youth intervention in support of other partners to prevent offending and reduce reoffending.
5. Considering the requirements under the Act, the current service provision landscape in Gwent and the progress made to date in producing a comprehensive grant commissioning framework, I have decided to allocate a further sum of £40,000 to the Positive Futures programme in addition to the previously allocated £100,784 to a total of £140,784 for the financial period 2015 / 2016. This will allow the project team to enhance current outputs and to drive forward and support a programme that will be used across the wider Gwent area whilst maintaining the current provision across Newport.
6. Positive Futures will need to continue to provide me with such information to reassure me that the funding allocated is being used effectively to provide a service that meets my Policing Priorities for Gwent as stipulated in my Police and Crime Plan and which provides viable options for a wider Gwent provision.

<b>Ian Johnston QPM, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent</b>	
My decision is as I have recorded in this paper	
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<b>Background papers</b>	Police Reform & Social Responsibility Act 2011. HO Letter dated 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2012. Positives Future Presentation-28 <sup>th</sup> February 2013.