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| **Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision** | |
| **PCCG-2024-031** | Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent Decision Session |
| **Subject** | Community Safety and Youth Offending Funding for 2025/2026. |
| **Summary** | The purpose of this paper is to record the decision to award funding to community safety and youth offending partners for the financial year 2025/2026. |

**DECISION**

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| 1. | The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (the ‘Act’) 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. | The requirements under the Act have been considered as well as the requirements of the Police, Crime and Justice Plan and the current community safety landscape in Gwent.  The arrangements for allocating funding to each Local Authority and Youth Offending Service based on an agreed formula, takes into consideration both the population and the crime rate of each Local Authority area.  A budget of £619,615 has been set for community safety and youth offending in Gwent. Of this, £131,469 is retained for non-Local Authority partners, whilst the remaining £488,142 will be allocated to Local Authorities to contribute towards their community safety and youth offending provisions. Using the agreed formula, the following allocations will be made to Local Authority partners:   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Project / Service** | **Amount Allocated for 2025/26** | | Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council - Community Safety | £37,882 | | Caerphilly County Borough Council – Community Safety | £68,649 | | Monmouthshire County Council - Community Safety | £39,468 | | Newport City Council - Community Safety | £71,781 | | Torfaen County Borough Council - Community Safety | £45,412 | | **Community Safety Total** | **£263,192** | | Caerphilly and Blaenau Gwent YOS | £89,024 | | Monmouthshire and Torfaen YOS | £66,601 | | Newport YOS | £69,325 | | **Youth Offending Total** | **£224,950** | | **Total** | **£488,142** |   Each Local Authority and YOS across Gwent have submitted proposals outlining how their community safety and youth offending funding will be spent and these proposals have been reviewed.  I have accepted the recommendations made to award each Local Authority and YOS the full allocation that has been made available to them. |
| 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, 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 projects 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. |

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| **Jane Mudd, Police and Crime Commissioner for Gwent** | |
| My decision is as I have recorded in this paper | |
| Signed | Date  12.03.2025 |

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| **Background papers** | Community Safety and Youth Offending Guidance and Criteria 2025/26  Community Safety and Youth Offending Proposals 2025/26 |