

Overview to Strategic Delivery Plan 2020-2021

The statutory responsibilities under the VAWDASV (Wales) Act 2015 will be discharged through the VAWDASV Partnership Board and annual reporting against the Regional Strategy and this Delivery Plan will be submitted into Gwent Public Services Boards.

The 6 Strategic Priorities detailed within this Delivery Plan will contribute to the pursuit of the **prevention** of violence and abuse, the **protection** of victims and the **support** of all those affected.

Delivery against the six Strategic Priorities relies upon effective governance and strategic oversight. The VAWDASV Board will continue to develop collaborative partnerships with other regional boards in Gwent. The Board have responsibility for overseeing the work of the Strategic Delivery Group and addressing any systemic barriers to delivering the strategy. The role of the Board needs to evolve and support the changing priorities outlined in this year's Delivery Plan; this includes roles and responsibilities around commissioning. Strategic risks to delivering the VAWDASV strategy are monitored quarterly through a risk register and by exception reported to the Partnership Board.

Engagement and communication with people affected by VAWDASV runs through all Strategic Priorities and is an essential element to effective delivery (this work is detailed in Strategic Priority 1).

Further detail relating to each of the Strategic Priorities can be found in the [Gwent VAWDASV Strategy 2018-2023](#).

The objectives set for 2020/21 will be evaluated during Quarter 4 and the Delivery Plan developed in line with progress made against the six Strategic Priorities.

*This Delivery Plan will be a 'live' document with changes made based on the results of the updated regional Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis, along with any other regional or national changes.

* Due to the unknown impact of COVID medium to longer term, and the escalating 'second wave' in quarter 3, changes in delivery and priorities may be affected by any priorities that emerge.

BRAG Status Definitions




Blue -completed

Red – not started or significant challenges

Amber – started but some challenges

Green – progressing well and within timescales

Strategic Priority 1 – Increase awareness and challenge attitudes of VAWDASV across Gwent

| Sub Group / Task Group | Key Actions | By When | Progress and Concerns | | | | RAG Status |
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| Communication and Engagement Sub Group | <p>Develop a Gwent key dates/events calendar to support the wider Welsh Government activities, with specific local campaigns for 2020/21</p> <p>Develop campaigns and activities to raise awareness of these campaigns across Gwent</p> | <p>Calendar to be in place by May 2020</p> <p>Events throughout 2020-21</p> | <p>Printed local campaign, in partnership with survivors, Gwent Police, Gwent OPCC and E&C group partners, to raise awareness and link to specialist sector provision moved to online via twitter, Facebook, Instagram and partner websites.</p> <p>Report below:</p>  <p>VAWDASV stats up to April 20.docx</p> <p>Printed, social media and partner website campaign to support World elder abuse day 15th June 2020. Please see statistics below showing success:</p>  <p>Elder Abuse Analysis.docx</p> | <p>Supported and widely shared the Gwent Police Child Sexual Exploitation campaign, along with information from Stop it Now! Wales who have the same message.</p> <p>Worked with the Communication and Engagement Group on an alternative campaign for White Ribbon 2020. A challenge event was agreed and work began to develop a communication pack to encourage involvement from individuals, organisations and groups across Gwent.</p> | <p>Due to the COVID pandemic the annual White Ribbon walk to raise awareness was not able to go ahead. The E&C Sub Group developed, promoted and shared participation in the Gwent White Ribbon #149 challenge on the 25th November 2020 and the following 16 days of action. The campaign was hugely successful in engaging with partner organisations and citizens as reported in the report below:</p>  <p>White Ribbon Day Evaluation 2021.pdf</p> <p>Ran a local campaign via social media to raise awareness of male victims on International Men’s day on the 19th November including sharing experiences of those supported by local services.</p> <p>Began working on a community based virtual event for the 11th March 2021.</p> <p>C&E Sub Group supported local services to plan activities and campaigns for Sexual violence awareness week in Quarter 4</p> | <p>Sexual violence and awareness week took place on the first week of February 2021. Social media was used to raise awareness of the national campaign with a key message of local services being open and available for support</p> <p>Regional community targeted conference facilitated via Microsoft Teams. 92 individuals attended at different points throughout the day, and excellent feedback has been received.</p> <p>Live Fear Free helpline and local services information posters and other materials distributed to vaccination and testing centres</p> <p>Ask and Ani promoted to pharmacies across the region by local police officers</p> | <p style="background-color: #0070C0; color: white; text-align: center;">RAG Status</p> |
| | <p>Increase social media and online presence to consistently promote accessibility and awareness during all phases of lockdown and COVID-19 restrictions</p> | <p>Develop a presence by the end of April 2020, and utilise throughout the year</p> | <p>Gwent Regional VAWDASV Twitter account utilised throughout the quarter for internal, partner, Welsh Government and other key agency awareness raising.</p> | <p>Following local lockdowns key members of the C&E Group met with WG, Gwent Police and Gwent OPCC to share coordinated messages and communication campaigns following local lockdown in</p> | <p>As mentioned above and included in the embedded report, social media and online presence was consistent across this Quarter. To support this work we partnered with</p> | <p>Social media used as key communication and awareness raising method.</p> <p>National and local campaigns and</p> | |

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| | | | <p>Promoted the availability and support available from specialist services across Gwent.</p> <p>Shared own campaigns, and Gwent Police Reading Between the Lines coercive control campaign.</p> | <p>Caerphilly, and then other local authority areas.</p> <p>Worked with relevant authority partners and Gwent services to support and share each other's campaigns to improve 'reach', including greater use of Twitter in particular to share information.</p> <p>Shared key information from WG and all partners via Board, SDG, sub groups and cascade group via email. Initially as a daily updated but now when appropriate.</p> <p>Printed campaign materials provided to Cyfannol Women's Aid upon opening of new Blaenau Gwent base.</p> | <p>community connectors across the region to ensure materials, including sources of support, were available in the top 10 used languages across Gwent. The regional messages shared had a key focus on where to get help in Gwent, and sharing Gwent Police and WG targeted campaigns.</p> <p>Identify and promoted services through key sector employers and organisations, such as sports agencies and clubs, to reach those who may not traditionally access services and support. Newport County Football Club, the Welsh Dragons Rugby Team and Caerphilly Sports Development Teams were highly supportive during this quarter.</p> | <p>messages shared and supported including for sexual violence awareness week</p> <p>Social media pack developed for partners to share information regarding the regional conference which was well attended.</p> <p>Live Fear Free Spring 2021 partner pack used during this quarter to promote LFF helpline and other ways than voice calls to contact</p> | |
| | <p>Develop a facilitator pack to support Older People engagement, and engagement with other 'seldom heard' groups</p> | <p><i>September 2020</i></p> <p><i>December 2020</i></p> <p>Facilitator pack on hold until 2021 following this year's engagement findings</p> | <p>This was put on hold during this quarter due to the COVID-19 pandemic, although the world elder abuse day has helped raise awareness in preparation.</p> | <p>Attended EYST meeting to present a section on 'domestic abuse and older persons' to their local BAME group via Zoom.</p> <p>All other work in this objective postponed to next Quarter with the support of an additional resource funded via WG grant. This is due to focusing on local lockdown communication campaigns and White Ribbon planning.</p> | <p>Sell2Wales tender paperwork completed during this quarter to commission research into 'seldom heard' groups and individuals across Gwent. This will be advertised early in Quarter 4 as funding confirmed quite late in the financial year</p> | <p>Engagement project successful allocated to Re:cognition. Engagement undertaken with underrepresented groups: Older people LGBTQ+ BAME Disabled people</p> <p>Report and recommendations completed to be shared</p> | <p>Report and recommendations to be presented at the next SDG meeting with action plan in place for 2021-22</p> |
| | <p>Facilitate a Gwent and National conference – theme to be agreed</p> | <p>March 2021</p> | | | <p>Planning began during this Quarter to agree the theme, focus and format for this event.</p> <p>Booked for 11th March prior to purdah and save the date sent to key partners. List of possible speakers and workshop leads identified.</p> | <p>Conference aimed at practitioners and community members facilitated via Microsoft Teams on the 11th March 2021.</p> <p>92 individuals in attendance and</p> | |

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| | | | | | This will be hosted over Microsoft Teams with planned key note speakers and workshop leads if possible. | excellent feedback received Live Fear Free helpline details along with local service contacts shared throughout the day | |
| | Develop and produce a regular Regional VAWDASV briefing, highlighting key quarterly activities and achievements | Develop by August 2020. Disseminate quarterly | Due to the nature of the pandemic, this objective moved forward to this quarter. Regular, often daily, information updates from all key partners disseminated via Board, sub groups and cascade network. Fortnightly and then monthly updates provided to Board and SDG members sharing COVID-19 related plans and areas of concern/shared learning. | This quarter saw the continuation of daily sharing of key information to all contacts and concentration on local lockdown information. Monthly updates provided to Board and SDG members to share up to date information on the situation related to VAWDASV during the pandemic and associated restrictions. | Sharing of key information to all contacts and concentration on local lockdown information continued via electronic and virtual methods in this quarter. Monthly COVID updates provided to Board and SDG members to share up to date information on the situation related to VAWDASV during the pandemic and associated restrictions. | Information round up briefings continued throughout this quarter, along with monthly COVID updates for practitioners. | |
| | Work closely with Gwent Safeguarding Board Communication and Engagement Group to align campaigns and actions | March 2021 | Discussions held with Gwent Safeguarding Business Unit regarding merging the group, decision made to improve alignment rather than merge | Joint working with Gwent Safeguarding Boards E&C sub group to ensure the effectiveness of key and shared campaigns including the Gwent Police CSE campaign continued during this month. Regional Advisor now vice chair of the Gwent Safeguarding E&C group thus further supporting alignment. | Closer links and alignment with shared social media campaigns with the Gwent Safeguarding E&C group continued in this quarter. | Two Local Network sessions held in each local authority during this quarter. VAWDASV update shared at each by the team. 2021-22 plans to be led by engagement feedback | |
| | Further develop the VAWDASV pages on the Gwent Safeguarding website based on feedback and research | March 2021 | | | | Due to priorities this has not been completed formally this year and will be rolled into 2021-22 | On hold |
| | Support the further development of the M.A.R.S (Male Abuse and Rape Survivors) group and consider other consultation groups | March 2021 | M.A.R.S meetings arranged fortnightly during this quarter where members provided peer support in relation to lockdown, and specifically child contact arrangements exasperated during this time | Group members composed and sent a letter to CAFCASS offering an invitation to a future group, where the specific issues from male victims and survivors can be shared. CAFCASS representative agreed to attend although this was cancelled due to lockdown. | | | Focus and work of the group completed and disbanded |

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| | | | | All members decided not to continue the group under current circumstances. | | | |
| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | <p>Strong focus on communication during this period following significant drop in calls and referrals to the police and specialist services during lockdown. Worked in partnership with partners to develop and disseminate campaigns via social media, including specifically for world elder abuse day.</p> <p>Additional information shared with all partners and all communication partners in relation to COVID challenges and initiatives.</p> | <p>Local lockdown communication enhanced during this quarter, working in partnership with WG and local communication partners. Partner communication increased via email, and shared social media messages.</p> <p>Work began on planning an alternative White Ribbon campaign for November.</p> <p>Unfortunately, M.A.R.S. members have decided to put meetings on hold until face to face meetings are appropriate.</p> | <p>Great engagement with the Gwent White Ribbon #149challenge campaign with interest from non-traditionally engaged organisations and individuals</p> <p>Social media and email used to share as much information and sources of support as possible with local and national campaigns</p> <p>Planning for community based virtual event in March 2021 began</p> | <p>Conference facilitated with great speakers, attendance and feedback</p> <p>Social media used to share local and national campaigns and messages</p> <p>Engagement project completed with four underrepresented groups</p> <p>Hand sanitisers and other LFF and local service information disseminated to local vaccination centres</p> <p>Local pharmacies encouraged to sign up for the Ask for Ani campaign</p> | |

Strategic Priority 2 – Increase awareness of children and young people on safe, equal and healthy relationships, and that abusive behaviour is always wrong

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| Whole Education Approach Sub Group | Further develop WEA meetings to ensure affective participation and decision making; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Invite other key areas to meetings for discussion - Adapt membership as required e.g. HE, non-traditional educational settings | March 2021 | Meetings have continued to take place in this quarter A Planned presentation and meeting with FE and HE via USW Newport was postponed due to COVID for this quarter | Membership has remained the same over this quarter with one brief meeting. | Membership has once again remained the same through this quarter. The ongoing need to be mindful of the impact of Covid on all education settings has been essential. Links have remained with the members and one to ones carried out through this time to establish specific local needs. | Membership has remained the same with the focus being on preparations for the next financial year with the hope of some increased stability within Education. Initial work has begun in establishing communications and engagement with non-traditional educational settings and PRU services. Renewed connections with FE and HE providers via University of South Wales have been made with the hope of productive work taking place early Q1 2021-2022. | Back on track |
| | Monitor impact and use of Gwent Guidance for Schools and update | <i>November 2020</i> January 2021 | This document is currently in circulation with Schools across Gwent. | A review and revision of the WEA School guidance ready for new academic year has been undertaken by the Training and Education Coordinator. This includes issues arising and in relation to the impact of COVID-19 for, pupils, parents, teachers and school staff. It is awaiting sign off by the WEA sub group at the next meeting. It was felt by the WEA Sub group it was important to give time for schools to establish a new normal before adding in additional information. | Conversations with each LA was had and an updated version is done and will be sent to schools along with the RSE guidance to ensure clear line between both are drawn. | Links with Governors in local schools for feedback and evaluation has not been possible at this time. Guidance for schools has been finalised and sits with each local Education Safeguarding Lead for distribution to schools across the Region. | Work on track with revised date |
| | Work in collaboration with WWA to help form meaningful and conjoined auditing processes for schools. | January 2021 | WWA have been WG funded to audit this work. This work is being considered by a small group from the | Due to ongoing COVID response priorities, the draft is still to be finalised. | Newport has added amendments to auditing and will be discussed with WEA group for constancy. And | Newport has made adjustments to their audit with this being shared across the other | On track |

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| | | | WEA to best meet the needs of the audit and the impact on the schools. | | ongoing development ahead of audits in the summer. | localities in Gwent for further consideration via WEA Group. The group is keenly awaiting progress on the national indicators to provider clearer measures that may be captured in within their existing, robust, audits. | |
| Align work between NTF and WEA to best support staff working with children. Consider appropriate suggestions for training. | January 2021 | The WEA Guide for Schools supports the exploration of schools considering training needs against the NTF and the wider VAWDASV topics. | Some schools have made taken the opportunity to complete Group 1 training. Details as to which schools and numbers are to be gathered. Group 2 training will now take place online with opportunities to be made for schools to access where appropriate. | Many LA's are keen to roll out in new year Ask and Act training for DSP and other school staff as online training helps this to happen more effectively for schools | Training was provided for Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly and Monmouthshire at Group 2 – Ask and Act. The remaining areas plan to hold local Group 2 events in the next 2 quarters. Regional Educations mop ups are also scheduled for 2021-2022. | On track | |
| Utilise data and procedures from Operation Encompass to meaningfully support schools, staff and pupils. | March 2021 | Provided updates reports to the WEA and SDG. Developed OE Survey in readiness for dissemination. | OE Survey has been circulated. Operation encompass has provided valuable insights into figures and trends through this time and continues to be a key link for the region. | Ongoing review and impact of OE is present within the region. This is a main point of discussion for the new year and the WEA meeting in January 21. | Involvement of WEA and alignment with OE in the region remains strong. We are waiting end of year data with some specific data breakdowns from Gwent Police highlighting additional areas for consideration as we enter 2021-2022 | Completed for this year | |
| Engage with Spectrum to better promote the service/programme in schools. Map school engagement of spectrum with needs from OE data. Engage with specialist partners to provide consistent approaches to additional school and wider WTE establishment support | March 2021 | Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the Spectrum Project has been unable to visit schools since 17 th March. Details of bookings, which were cancelled, have been kept, with the view to prioritising these schools once the project is able to deliver sessions again, whether this is in person or digitally. During the last Quarter Spectrum's Team of Schools Liaison Officers have been working on Activity Packs, resources, updating lessons and creating and trialling sessions to be delivered online. | Ongoing information, activities and support offered has been shared across the region. | Connections with Spectrum remain yet with the ongoing Covid situation some lessons have moved to online and additional resources are online. | Results from the survey have not yet been seen by the WEA. Partnership working across the region remains key to all development and remains strong. | Completed for this year – OE Survey is the only outstanding action. | |

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| | Engage with specialist support services to provide effective support for pupils and parents. Monitor and receive data on increased referrals to service | March 2021 | Some key information for this will be gained from the OE Survey | Much of this data is seen in weekly round ups from services. | Much of this data is seen in weekly round ups from services. | Much of this data is seen in weekly round ups from services. Additional work on this will be considered in the next financial year when education work and settings are more settled. | On track and ongoing |
| | Consider greater links to perpetrator work and consider the perpetration of abuse by young people. | March 2021 | Discussions began with the specialist sector during this quarter. Actions agreed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of language used in relation to children and young people starting to demonstrate unhealthy relationship behaviours Consideration of this within any guidance and work with CYP Include all aspects including adolescent to parents, sibling on sibling, and young person sexual violence. | The review of the guide for schools has now included to ensure it reflects online support and information that can be shared with parents. For example; national online safety.com, Meic, Stop it Now etc. for inclusion within School Guidance | The work of perpetrator and CYP services, are in the update guidance based on discussions started in quarter 1. | Additional communications on perpetrator work, signs and signals are now covered by education access and participation with Group 2 Ask and Act training with full signposting included. | Ongoing |
| | Use evaluation of the school ambassador programme piloted in 2019-20 to disseminate this across other Gwent schools | September 2020 | | | | COVID has delayed, any progression of being able to revisit the school ambassador working group to evaluate, adapt and agree the future of the ambassador role in Gwent schools Work with other schools to develop and action plan. This will roll over into 2021-22. | COVID delay impact |
| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | This quarter has seen limited activity due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. WEA group still met and has engaged in ongoing conversations around the concerns and need for support of children who at this time remain at home. This time has shown how education settings adapt. This has led to plans for review of the WEA Gwent Guidance for schools to provide ongoing information and support for staff and pupils. Work | This quarter has once again been limited due to ongoing Covid-19 priorities. The priority has been focused on enabling schools to settle back in to the new normal and to review and reflect these changes in guidance. Spectrum and WWA have both constantly provided information and update which have been circulated through the region. A few actions have needed to be pushed over to the next quarter | This quarter remains impacted by Covid and the impact and pressures on education going back in and also responding to ongoing changes and fire brakes. One to ones with LA leads and Healthy School Coordinators took place in NOV and DEC to assess the local need and discuss priorities for the new year. This will be picked up in the WEA meeting in January. | As with most of this year Education has been hard hit by COVID and as a result instability and uncertainty have hugely impacted progression of projects within WEA. There has been positive progress with many things able to restart and refocus within this last quarter. Hope is | |

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| | | | through this year remains positive with clear ongoing plans. | to give space for all in education to adjust and respond to returning pupils effectively. Operation encompass has provided valuable insights into figures and trends through this time and continues to be a key link for the region. | There has been in these discussions, and increase in interest and desire for Group 2 in schools and this will be a priority in Q4. | strong for increased activity as things settle down some more within the education setting. | |
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| Strategic Priority 3 – Increased focus on holding perpetrators to account and provide opportunities to change behaviour based around victim safety | | | | | | | |
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| Perpetrator Sub Group | Analyse and respond regionally to on-going university research programmes in conjunction with Phoenix, Barnardos and GDAS | March 2021 | Research with agencies is continuing, may be extended due to COVID-19 | There are three separate service evaluations in Gwent. A representative from each service is engaged with the group and able to feedback at each meeting. | Due to pandemic restrictions evaluations have not been completed but this continues to be discussed at each meeting where progress/concerns are discussed | All research put on hold during COVID pandemic this action to be carried into 2021-22 | Carried into 2021-22 due to pandemic restrictions |
| | Develop and act upon a Gwent Action Plan based on the WG Good Practice Guidance for Non-Specialist Public Services on working with Adult perpetrators, including identification of cross-learning across Children services such as YOS | September 2020 December 2020 | No progress during this quarter due to reallocation of priorities and service concentration on adaptation of all support mechanisms | Perpetrator Group renamed Perpetrator Response Group and developed the framework for a Gwent Action Plan to meet the requirements of the best practice guidance. | Populated and agreed draft action plan to be shared with key partners for agreement based on sub group assessment against WG Good Practice Guidance | Action plan developed and agreed by Perpetrator Response Sub Group – briefings to be developed in 2021-22 to support dissemination and implementation | Action plan to form 2021-22 delivery plan actions |
| | Explore needs of female perpetrators and those who do not fit in 'standard services' based on findings from additional WG funding in all regions during 2019/20 | December 2020 March 2021 | This project was suspended towards the end of 2019-20 due to the COVID pandemic and restrictions on face-to-face contact. Additional funding received from Welsh Government for 2020-21 secured. Due to the number of people to be supported over the two years, evaluation rolled into 2020-21. | Update provided by Cath, CEO of Phoenix on work with female perpetrators, this has been extended into 2020-21 following additional WG funding. Promoted additional services with partners across Gwent, including spaces for female perpetrators Supported an application to the Home Office by Gwent OPCC to further develop this area of work | Home Office funding bid successful and work began on increasing capacity to provide such support by Phoenix DAS Attended WG perpetrator practice sharing event and work stream meeting during this quarter. Suggested task and finish group at part of this work stream to consider perpetrator support across wider VAWDASV areas, including sexual violence, forced marriage, Female Genital Mutilation and 'honour' based abuse Cath Hill (Phoenix DAS) and Jordon Watkins of Gwent OPCC are working together to add to the female perpetrator research and paper based on additional support provided from the year's grant | WG and Home Office funding used to provide a service accessible to all DA perpetrators across all local authority areas in Gwent Gwent represented on WG work stream and task and finish meetings during this quarter and information shared in both directions Research ongoing – not completed as yet due to limited referrals to date. To be rolled into 2021-22 | All achieved other than female perpetrator research which will roll into 2021-22 |
| | Identify methods to support the implementation of Perpetrator Service Standards and development of on-going quality assurance process | January 2021 | The service standards were shared with all key partners during 2019-20 | Discussed at this quarter's meeting. All agreed current Gwent services are meeting requirements. To be reviewed at each meeting. | This quarter's meeting focused on the action plan and was postponed to next meeting | This has been shared and discussed with all commissioners and embedded within services | |

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| | Develop and communicate a Gwent perpetrators journey map highlighting contact opportunities | September 2020 December 2020 | No progress during this quarter due to postponement of meetings | Due to limited meetings during lockdown this area of work is postponed to the next quarter's meeting | Completed this area at this quarter's sub group meeting. This involved identifying those early behaviours and how/who these will be identified/disclosed Gathered information from perpetrator/early intervention services such as sexual harmful programmes facilitated by Barnardos and perpetrator services delivered by Phoenix DAS | Completed during this quarter, to be added to the briefing note for the action plan during 2021-22 | To be added to briefing in 2021-22 |
| | Support the local and WG perpetrator group and task and finish groups, in order to share good practice and improve Gwent response | March 2021 | Good representation in Gwent in all meetings and sub groups. WG meeting held during this quarter via Microsoft teams and minutes shared with Gwent Group | Sub Group met during this quarter and revisited key actions. Membership reviewed with identified gaps from SWFRS, GDAS and Future Four. Representatives from these additional services requested. Gwent provided an update on additional funding during 2019-20 at this quarter's perpetrator work stream meeting, along with attendance at the WG perpetrator practice group. | Attendance at WG perpetrator meetings this quarter by sub group members and information shared. Shared ideas from the group with WG for possible task and finish groups with a focus on non DA and stereotypical perpetrators. Draft updated ToR shared with group members for comment and ratification | Delivery plan, action plan and partner updates now form standard agenda for the group WG updates also standard agenda item and updates from WG shared via information round up to all stakeholders | |
| | Assess training needs in relation to wider front-line workforce development requirements, based on actions above | December 2020 | Discussions at a recent meeting identified a learning gap in this area across Gwent agencies, in particular outside domestic abuse perpetrators | Training discussed within the context of the Gwent Action plan. Draft at the meeting highlighted key areas of development. | Shared completed Action plan to identify the need to develop/commission relevant training for practitioners across Gwent. To be developed further in quarter 4 and 2021/22 | Incorporated findings in the regional needs assessment and regional evaluation against the best practice guidance used to develop regional action plan Working with perpetrators training added to virtual offer for 2021-22 Stop it Now! Wales TTT delivered to key practitioners during this quarter | On hold until later this year |

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| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | <p>This quarter has seen limited activity due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. WG group to identify key concerns and share areas of good practice. Funding from WG for perpetrator services utilised to continue the services for female perpetrators and other people not suitable for existing support groups.</p> | <p>Sub Group resumed meetings this quarter and revisited membership and goals since pandemic. Work began on a Gwent Action Plan to identify areas of good practice and developed based on the WG best practice guidance.</p> <p>Gwent well represented on WG perpetrator work stream and practice sharing meetings.</p> | <p>Work in this area continues to progress. Key celebration this quarter is Phoenix DAS secured £378,466 from Home Office Perpetrator Programme Fund and PCC core funding to extend and expand youth and adult perpetrator services in Gwent, increase support for victims and pilot online interventions.</p> | <p>Funding bids enabled range of services across the whole region</p> <p>Gwent Action Plan developed and agreed by the sub group and forming the basis of the delivery plan and outcomes/outputs for the group in 2021-22</p> | |
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Strategic Priority 4 – Make early intervention and prevention a priority

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| DHR Planning Group | Actively participate in the University of Leicester research project on Domestic Homicides and share learning across the region | March 2021 | Key contacts and copies of previous reviews shared with the University researchers. | Gwent Chairs and panel members interviewed during this quarter. Now a partnership between the University of Leicester and Manchester. | Interviews have continued during this quarter with key partners. Progress hindered somewhat by the pandemic and associated restrictions | All local participation interviews completed. Website launched https://domestichomicide-halt.co.uk Project completes in 2022 | Report to be shared once completed |
| | Share key learning from DH-APR findings with all key partners and stakeholders to further develop a supportive process for families and professionals alike | September 2020 | DH-APR learning shared with key partners at this quarter's meeting. This work will now form the basis of the single unified review | | | | |
| | Support the Welsh Government Single Unified Safeguarding Review work | March 2021 | Steering Group meeting this week, with task and finish groups agreed and scheduled. Gwent is represented on the steering group (as Chair) and all task and finish groups. | Progress ongoing with the review by WG. Gwent continues to influence and contribute to the review via steering group and task and finish groups DH-APR pilot process continuing in Gwent and informing elements of the WG review. Regional Advisor on the panel. Regional advisor member of the Gwent Case Review Group to help influence the learning across Gwent for the SUSR | Three regional partners enrolled on the SILP review training to support all review work development across the region, and help inform this WG review Attendance and participation in WG meetings of the steering group and task and finish groups continued with progress being made in each area. | SILP review training completed by Regional Advisor and Chair of DHR Planning Group Gwent well represented on the SUSR and updates shared at all key meetings across the region Work of the Case Review Group continues with recent engagement with the Home Office | SUSR work ongoing into 2021-22 |
| MARAC Steering Group | Develop and improve the MARAC process in Gwent based on previous action plan and the appointment of the MARAC Coordinator through a Quality Improvement focus | March 2021 | Partnership funded MARAC Coordinator now in place and overseeing the action plan. Processes adapted during COVID with positive engagement and feedback from partners | MARAC meetings now undertaken via Teams. Engagement continues to be high. MARAC members feedback has been sought on views of temporary virtual system; 61% prefer virtual set-up and 39% prefer traditional MARAC model Improvements made around action tracking, information sharing and case recording Lockdown has directly impacted on levels of referrals into MARAC, 27% increase compared to same period last year | Progress reviewed and action plan updated Virtual MARAC training developed and trainee multi-agency chairs identified for training in Quarter 4 Gwent MARAC Operating Protocol updated in line with virtual set-up and renewed action plan | MARAC presentation facilitated at key meetings by the MARAC coordinator and work commenced looking for sustainable funding for the MARAC coordinator and team Chair training redesigned to incorporate online meetings | |

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| | Improve information sharing processes to support both high risk and early intervention approaches by all key partners | June 2020 December 2020 | Specialist sector, Connect Gwent and Gwent OPCC representatives met to agree a new information sharing and referral process | Sign off meeting for the new referral process undertaken during this quarter. Agreed in principle following small changes ready to go live next quarter. | Updated process to be disseminated and went live during this quarter | IRISi pilot began during this quarter to support early recognition and referral by GPs | |
| SDG and Board | Support sustainable funding and discussions for services across Gwent, including the IDVA and ISVA services as discussed at SDG and Board | March 2021 | Worked with Welsh Government to map all commissioned funding across Gwent VAWDASV specialist services Board paper developed in relation to the commissioning of the IDVA service | Sustainable funding of the IDVA service discussed at Board meeting with a supporting paper. Work began with Gwent OPCC, Newport City Council and WG on the tendering and sustainability and adaptability of the service Sustainable funding incorporated within the Gwent VAWDASV Commissioning Strategy. Strategy shared with key partners and awaiting sign off next quarter to share with SDG and Board | Commissioning strategy signed off by Board members during this quarter – sustainability highlighted in the risk exception report and discussed with Alyson Francis of WG at the meeting | Regional advisor attended first WG sustainable commissioning meeting and fed in re. IDVA service in particular Statutory partners meeting held to discuss papers in relation to funding of IDVA and MARAC resources | Discussions held but no agreement on additional funding reached |
| | Further develop work with the Gwent Safeguarding Board to ensure preventing and supporting VAWDASV becomes everyone's business | March 2021 | Standing agenda item on Gwent Safeguarding Boards agenda. Regional Advisor working with the executive safeguarding boards during COVID lockdown | Regional VAWDASV team members embedded within Safeguarding Boards and sub groups and Safeguarding Business Unit members embedded within the VAWDASV Board and sub groups. Regional Advisor Vice Chair of Safeguarding Communication Group. Each Board Chair had initial Board met to discuss further alignment prior to lockdown and a steer for the regional teams to develop a paper for consideration. Regional Advisor attended the inaugural meeting of the Gwent Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group (RHSCG) meeting at the end of this quarter with VAWDASV a standing agenda item. Regular meetings with leads from a number of regional Boards to share challenges and best practice across all | Meetings held during this quarter with regional board leads to develop a flowchart with cross-working opportunities and governance processes. To be completed and shared in Quarter 4 Shared agenda items on key regional board meetings to ensure a focus on VAWDASV being part of 'everybody's business' | Independent evaluation of regional resource and governance cited strength of links between VAWDASV and the Gwent Safeguarding Boards | |

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| | | | | vulnerable groups continued during this quarter. | | | |
| | Develop further opportunities for early intervention within the region | March 2021 | <p>The pandemic and associated lockdown has increased the importance of early intervention, and the need to ensure services are available and accessible across Gwent to prevent VAWDASV as much as possible</p> <p>Work began with Monmouthshire CBC to map areas with police and community safety 'hot spots' to identify key areas for early intervention</p> | <p>The Commissioners Group met this quarter to start mapping all funding streams of VAWDASV services including early intervention. This information will be used to identify all early intervention services across the region.</p> <p>Due to local and regional COVID planning work with Monmouthshire was not progressed during this quarter.</p> | <p>Used the funding spreadsheet to develop a needs mapping tool to review what early intervention programmes and services are in the region</p> <p>Monmouthshire task and finish group meeting to discuss how information can be accessed, shared and reported upon to identify the key early intervention needs in this local authority as a pilot.</p> | <p>Work with Monmouthshire pilot ongoing into 2021-22 due to constraints with pandemic</p> | To be continued into 2021-22 |
| | Work with SDG to develop a better understanding of the VAW aspect of the VAWDASV agenda across Gwent, including the monitoring of forced marriage and FGM protection orders | January 2021 | <p>Work throughout this quarter identified a gap in knowledge in this area across Gwent partners.</p> <p>Feedback from the All Wales Honour Based Abuse group added at discussed at the quarter's SDG meeting and is now a standing agenda item.</p> | <p>The Strategic Delivery Group didn't meet during this quarter and actions have been postponed to Quarter 3.</p> <p>Meetings with WG and BAME community group held to gather some information.</p> <p>Applied for revenue funding to further this work across Gwent.</p> <p>Regular Gwent Specialist Sector meetings held this year to help understand and share with SDG and Board members information about the whole VAWDASV agenda and how services are adapting to the 'new world'</p> | <p>Funded resources to develop links with community groups and partner agencies working in communities around VAW issues to develop actions for 2020-21 and beyond.</p> <p>Liaised with Gwent Police to develop a mechanism to obtain FM and FGM protection order data for Gwent. Incorporated this within monthly COVID update for December 2020</p> | <p>Agreement reached for an HBA sub group to be formed early 2021-22. Gwent Police agreed to Chair</p> <p>HBA, FM and FGM data now included within monthly update</p> | Processes to be embedded during 2021-22 |
| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | <p>This quarter concentrated on building relationships and processes to ensure learning from across the region and Wales enables a great focus on prevention, protection and support.</p> | <p>MARAC process changes embedded throughout this quarter. Work began to understand the wider VAWDASV picture across Gwent.</p> <p>Plans and progress made to further develop links across all relevant regional Boards.</p> <p>Commissioners Group and local commissioning strategy starting to influence and inform actions within this strategic priority.</p> | <p>Closer links with all key partners developed during this quarter, to understand how regional boards can work together and ensure a focus on early intervention and prevention.</p> | <p>IRISi pilot began NCNs</p> <p>MARAC and IDVA funding paper discussed with statutory partners in exception meeting</p> <p>HBA sub group agreed for 2021-22</p> <p>Draft data framework for Monmouthshire developed for agreement early 2021-22</p> | |

Strategic Priority 5 – Relevant professionals are trained to provide effective, timely and appropriate responses to victims

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| Training Sub Group | Implementation of Group 1 – monitor numbers of Group 1 for the region and consider strategies to increase these numbers including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group 1 refresher video | Quarterly reporting June 2020 September 2020 December 2020 March 2021 | Due to COVID 19 impact WG released guest login for Group 1 eLearning. This has seen 15,000 participants since opening up the link for access to wider groups. Impacts however have been on those who were in need of Face-to-Face delivery. | Promotion of Group 1 training has continued as a priority given the current need to be aware of other and the ongoing effects of a long lockdown. Numbers have continued to increase and the guest login of the group 1 continues to be popular. Though recommendations to WG have been made to suggest long-term tracking of this to enable a LA drop down so that these number can be attributed, where appreciate to the LA's. | Scripted has progress and is in final consultation. | The Group 1 video script has progressed to final stages and aiming for a Q1 completion and circulation on this. Group 1 renewal work with WG has also taken place with Helen representing the region in a national meeting on this. Group 1 uptake has improved greatly across the region during this year. | Group 1 roll out is still ongoing and moving forward on target |
| | Roll out of Ask and Act (Group 2 &3) Support RA's to roll out and deliver Ask and Act within their Organisation consideration of communication strategies; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promotional video - Meetings with service managers | March 2021 | Covid-19 has had the greatest impact on the progression of this training as this delivery is all done via face-to-face classroom training sessions. This quarter has been dedicated to reviewing and developing training to take Group 2 online | Training development of Ask and Act was completed by the GTC with training adapted for MS team's delivery. Safety of participants has been a high priority concern when taking this training online. We wanted to ensure participants felt safe and supported. To do this pre-course information was made to be more robust and informative. This has been achieved and ready for roll out. Dates to be rolled out from October 2020 and monitored. Gwent continue to feed in these developments directly to WG and will do so also within the national evaluation of Ask and Act. | The online training was evaluated and rolled out from October with dates planned till April and excellent feedback received. | Group 2 has continued to roll out in Gwent including education from 3 LA's. All feedback has been positive from the online training provision. Group 3 development has taken place and to be finalised in the coming weeks for regional delivery in Q2 od 2021-2022. Local meetings are taking place to consider the end of year review and preparation for Annual report and training plans for WG (due MAY 2021) | On target with positive progressions into next year |
| | Gwent Training Consortia growth via increased train the trainers for RA Staff consideration will need to be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training up dates - Regular meetings Considering a Gwent Train the Trainer with WG | August 2020 | Increasing Trained Trainers within Gwent has been difficult over the last few years due to competing demands on availability. However, under the current climate online TTT has helped. This has resulted in a trainer for Torfaen which was an area of concern. This trainer provided | The ongoing development of this has been placed on hold to instead be responsive to the outcomes of the national evaluation and its recommendations. | Recommendations for train the trainer have been fed in to national evaluation initial conversation. Improvement confidence and confidence of regional trainers with in online delivery has | Development of a proposal for Welsh Government for a Gwent TTT approach and framework has been undertaken with WG set to receive this in April/May. | On target working with WG evaluation closely. |

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| | | | positive feedback on this method of TTT delivery. | The GTC have been very actively involved in the development of online training and so confidence in online training of Ask and Act is now the focus. | taken place with observations of training. | | |
| | Implement Groups 4 & 5 specialist training: Monitor Gwent's take up of Group 4 and 5 training places to be done via Gwent TSG Meetings | March 2021 | IDVA/ISVA AND IDVA/ISVA Manager training not delivered during this period due to COVID-19. Discussions ongoing at WG level to research the ability of online training for practitioners across Gwent. | WG issued a tender for ongoing developments of what is on offer under Group 4 to include; Sexual Violence Children and Young people Honour Based Abuse LGBTQ+ Older People The awards for some of these are to be finalised at next quarter. OP and LGBTQ+ training have rolled out and been booked up very quickly. Group 4 and 5 IDVA/ISVA and IDVA/ISVA Manger training session have rolled out online. | WG Funded training for Group 4 and 5 is rolling out and promoted in the region. | Report of progress and impact will be via end of year report in May 2021. | On target and being monitored |
| | Implement Group 6 to public service leaders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop opportunities for strategic leads to receive/disseminate information - Support and work with WWA to arrange meetings with strategic leads and chief executives - Increase communications with senior managers and leaders - Promote Ask and Act training to elected members | January 2021 | Group 6 has been the most limited area of the NTF with little information to review in terms of completion. It is essential to progress this area, to ensure culture is supported across each organisation/relevant authority WWA have additional funding for this. In line with this work WWA were given information to be able to access the G10 though this was isn't done as yet. | Rolling out to the more senior members of the council and staff has continued to be a priority and each LA continues to assess the best ways of rolling this out. Once again, COVID has had an impact on this somewhat. | Conversations at a local level have taken place and will be picked up in TSG meetings. | Following on the success of this year's Gwent Conference, Plans are in place for a Gwent regional Group 6 conference on 8 th October. Details of this will be sent out to all CE and Strategic leads in April 2021. April will also need to see a reflection and review of the WWA Group 6 attendance for Gwent. Impact, development and progress are in progress and will be reviewed and included within the NTF annual reports and training plans in May. | On track with good plans for 2021-2022 |
| | Review ongoing regional training plans and better align / formalise | October 2020 | All training does align to the specialist syllabus units and enhances learning | Formalising this area is still ongoing and has had to take a back seat in development, where | Ongoing but delayed as to roll out due to Covid and specialist availability. | Retendering for this in Gwent has gone out and all responses are | On Track |

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| | alignment with the specialist syllabus units. | | with all public and third sector services across Gwent. Need to decide on formalising this area. | training has had to be adapted for online. | | due back in last week of march. TSG reps will review bids and award contracts based on 80/20 Quality/Cost split. | |
| | Develop a training plan that includes Specialist Syllabus modules and wider VAWDASV training topics to enhance and continue professional development of professionals within the region. Develop tools used to facilitate sessions to increase availability – e.g. online training | May 2021 | This has been on hold though conversations around roll out online have taken place. | Online training is now the focus based on need. Training has been planned for delivered online with booking available on Eventbrite. Not every provider is in the same position for rollout online and so this will be staggered and closely monitored. | roll out training for the region online has taken place and planned till April 2021 | Done for Ask and Act with Group 2 and 3 dates set April-September 2021. Specialist syllabus plans will be set from May onward. | On Track |
| | Enable effective and meaningful work place policies are embedded within all RA to support undertaking training | January 2021 | this work has been put on hold for COVID 19 essential work | Pause for recovery from COVID19 impact | Re-establishing links and conversations on WWP within Gwent take place ad-hoc when support is requested from LA and wider partners. | This has not been priorities, though some work with partners has taken place. | Limited progress |
| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | This quarter has seen limited roll out activity due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. Development of taking Ask and Act online has been a key priority as has ensuring that LA, community groups and volunteers have access to Group 1 and safety guidance and advise in completing this. Plans and meetings to ensure training is moving forward from Q2 have been made. | This Quarter has been focused on development and planning for autumn roll out of online training and promotion. The TSG and GTC have been vital in the development of reconstructing the Ask and Act package, exploration of relevant platforms for delivery and promotion of dates when they are available. | This Quarter has focused on roll out and implementation of the developments of the previous quarter. This has been successful and Training across the region has taken place with positive results and keen uptake. | This Quarter has continued to focus on roll out and education involvement. There has also been significant future planning with plans for regional ask and act set and also new tendering for the specialist syllabus. Future plans for Group 6 are also in place. Review and evaluation for this year is in motion with proposals on TTT set to go to WG Q1 2021-2022. | |

| Strategic Priority 6 – provide victims with equal access to appropriately resourced high quality needs led strength based gender responsive services | | | | | | | |
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| SDG and Board | Develop an Gwent Regional Action plan, using this Delivery Plan, based upon findings of the updated Regional Needs Assessment | <i>May 2020</i> December 2020 | This hasn't progressed within this quarter due to the postponement of meetings and concentration on COVID-19. This delivery plan has been updated during this quarter but the findings were pre-COVID so will need to be updated. | Draft needs assessment signed off at this quarter's Board meeting with a discussion and agreement on adding addendums based on our understanding and implications of post COVID restrictions/second wave. | Worked with Gwent agencies to develop a new data format to support the updating of the needs assessment in the 'new world' | Due to a continued constant change in funding and service delivery based on the pandemic this will be rolled into 21-22 | Rolled into 2021-22 |
| | Develop and improve communication methods to ensure VAWDASV focus amongst all regional boards | September 2020 | This has been expedited during this quarter due to the pandemic. VAWDASV is now a succinct agenda item for the Gwent Safeguarding Boards and the regional advisor links with the Area Planning Board | Regional Advisor joined the inaugural Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group (RHSCG) with VAWDASV as a standard agenda item. Discussions on further alignment with Gwent Safeguarding Boards progressed during this quarter. Meetings held during this quarter with the newly appointed Safer Gwent Coordinator to start developing greater links with community safety | Continued to build this during the quarter. Draft flowchart developed to understand how each board works together Meetings with representative from VAWDASV and other regional leads developed Safer Gwent meeting this quarter with VAWDASV as a standing agenda item | This is progressing well and embedded ready for the regional PSB | Foundation in place to build upon in 2021-22 |
| Commissioners Group | Share Gwent Commissioning strategy and principles with all key partners and support consideration of these in all local commissioning decisions and processes | <i>May 2020</i> December 2020 | The strategy has not been as shared and embedded as we would like due to the postponement of meetings. The principles of the strategy used during this quarter with commissioning bodies and the specialist sector to identify priorities for COVID related additional funding. | Draft strategy revisited at this quarter's commissioners sub group meeting. Draft strategy shared with all relevant regional Boards for comment Discussions over WG commissioning priorities held during this quarter's commissioners and specialist sector meetings. | Commissioning strategy ratified by Gwent VAWDASV Partnership Board and shared with other regional boards for ratification. Continued to use commissioners and specialist sector meetings to discuss and agree all VAWDASV commissioning decisions to ensure opportunities for collaboration and regional approach | Utilised the strategy to develop a commissioning priority matrix with the commissioners group to agree 2021-22 funding | Strategy in place but work during 2021-22 based on independent evaluation |
| | Work with the Gwent Commissioners Group to understand the link with all VAWDASV funding streams (including Families First) and to ensure a collaborative and regional approach | <i>September 2020</i> December 2020 | This work had begun but progress was limited. WG sustainable funding mapping has enabled this to be achieved within Gwent, collating supporting people, OPCC and Family First funding | Discussed at this quarter's commissioners meeting and current mapping questionnaire updated to meet the needs of all agencies across Gwent | Completed gaps from Quarter 2 and Incorporated this into the discussions scheduled above. Gaps completed by all commissioners, resulting in a Gwent VAWDASV funding map and summary of VAWDASV services by commissioner, Local | This is now in place and will form the standard agenda for the new commissioning group to ensure it is always up to date and enables a collaborative and regional response | To be updated during 2021-22 |

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| | Understand the implication of the Housing Support Grant Guidance and how this affects funding to all VAWDASV services | August 2020 March 2021 | Housing Support Grant Guidance adapted to meet COVID requirements so this will be on hold until quarter 4 at the earliest | | | VAWDASV agenda firmly embedded within the Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group and links understood | |
| Commissioning Group, SDG and Board | Work with agencies and commissioners to ensure the sustainability of specialist high risk services across Gwent including SEASS, IDVA and ISVA services | March 2021 | This has been discussed during this quarter with additional ministry of justice funding for services. IDVA commissioning paper written during this quarter for discussion at Board during Quarter 2 | IDVA commissioning paper discussed at this quarter's Board meeting, with a steer to develop a tender specification and process. Report presented at Board on how additional funding is being utilised across the region including an update on funding awaiting confirmation. | Further work undertaken on the speculative notice for the IDVA service with Board agreement | This issue discussed at Board and exception meetings during this quarter to attempt to find a sustainable funding outcome for the IDVA and MARAC service ISVA services funded well via additional MoJ funding | This needs resolving during early 2021-22 |
| | Work with agencies and commissioners to ensure the sustainability and development of early intervention services throughout Gwent for adults and CYP | March 2021 | Use needs assessment to identify early intervention provision for adults and CYP | Report presented to Board on how and additional COVID related funding is being utilised | Highlighted and discussed the implications of the end all additional funding in March 2021 and how this can be mitigated against during this Quarter's SDG and Board meetings, and added to the risk exception report. To be reported upon in Quarter 4. | COVID funding extended into 2021-22. | Work to continue into 2021-22 |
| | Work with agencies and commissioners to ensure all victims have access to appropriate support, including male victims, and those in same-sex relationships | March 2021 | Addressed within the draft needs assessment, although this will need to be readdressed at the end of this year. Easing of funding restrictions supported this for this and next quarter at least. Additional perpetrator funding agreed for this area of support. | Needs assessment agreed at this quarter's Board meeting with discussion on adapting and adapting this, as our understanding of the implications of COVID improve. Work is progressing with the additional capital funding for dispersed units, update provided in capital funding return | Sell2Wales paperwork completed during this quarter to understand needs of those 'seldom heard' groups across Gwent. Additional funding for perpetrator services to support female perpetrators and those in same sex relationships | Additional funding has enabled a full perpetrator service offer across the region Engagement project and recommendations completed his quarter with a presentation to SDG in May 2021 to agree the action plan | Female perpetrator research continuing into 2021-22 with more update Action plan to be discussed at May SDG |
| SDG and Board, Strategic Sex Worker Group | Continue the development of a Gwent plan to support those trying to escape exploitation in the sex industry | March 2021 | Work on hold due to COVID. Newport Strategic Adult Sexual Exploitation renamed during this quarter to better meet this area of understanding. | A bespoke multi agency practitioner review panel met for the first time during this quarter. This is to review a position with one of the women attempting to escape exploitation to identify and share best practice and raise | Meetings postponed for this quarter due to COVID 3 rd lockdown and associated focus on frontline services | Related MAPF review continued during this quarter which will look at learning to be shared across the region | MAPF learning to be shared and any actions supported |

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| | | | | awareness along with challenging some outdated bias. | | Embedded as part of the agenda within the region | |
| | SUMMARY | QUARTERLY | <p>As with other strategic priorities, progress within this area was not as expected. That said, the pandemic has supported progress in working in partnership via different methods and identifying priorities for additional COVID related funding.</p> <p>Capital funding to develop additional dispersed units across Gwent was agreed during this quarter, and work has begun to identify key partners and properties.</p> | <p>Needs assessment agreed by Board this quarter with a caveat of updating in the new year/when the longer term implications of COVID may be better understood.</p> <p>Draft commissioning strategy and supportive funding map supporting collaborative and evidence based commissioning moving forward. Work to design IDVA specification initiated.</p> | <p>Gwent VAWDASV Commissioning Strategy signed off by the Partnership Board this quarter and commissioners group working to utilise the strategy in practice with commissioning decisions.</p> | <p>IDVA and MARAC funding being discussed at Board and exception meetings to attempt to resolve sustainable funding issues</p> <p>MAPF continuing to better understand regional response to those exploited by the sex industry</p> <p>Capital funding used to increase dispersed unit offer across the region</p> | |

Board Structure and Groups

