Regional Coordination of Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV) Provision

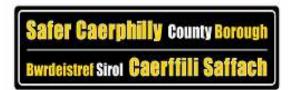
Kathryn Peters- Community Safety Manager



Background to Regionalisation

- Welsh Government Strategic Priorities
- New Welsh Government Act
- Inconsistency of delivery across local authorities
- Funding uncertainties
- Regional coordination service and staff
- Gwent pilot- support new National Advisor

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Previous Arrangements

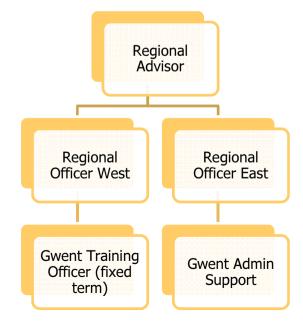
- Welsh Government Domestic Abuse Services Grant
- ❖ £37,00 to each Local Authority to cover coordination services <u>and</u> the Independent Domestic Violence Advocate (IDVA)
- Coordination Service provided by Llamau and subsidised by Social Services
- ❖ IDVA part funded by OPCC and Home Office





New Arrangements

- ❖ Agreed at G7 that Newport would lead
- Funding allocated to Newport by WG- £235,962 to lead the partnership (+£50k)
- Gwent VAWSVDA Board and sub groups
- Regional Team established





Immediate Changes in Local Delivery

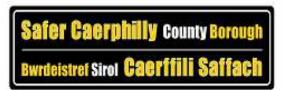
- No local coordinator post to support domestic abuse fora, awareness activity (White Ribbon), data collection, provide training
- Training courses being supported and delivered by the regional team- future Training Consortia
- Domestic abuse S4 of the Single Plan facilitated by the regional team
- ❖ National Training Framework- Gwent early adopter
- Awareness and public information gap





Immediate Priorities for the Team

- Establish team and reporting to Gwent Board
- Establish communication with partners
- Support Gwent as Early Adopter of the National Training Framework
- Support Whole School Approach
- Support local Domestic Abuse Forums
- Consistency of data collection- single plans
- Regionalisation of the Independent Domestic Violence Advocate criminal justice support service



Moving forward

- Development of Regional Plan with ABUHB
- Development of local coordination and the Caerphilly forum
- ❖ National training framework
- ❖ 'Safer Relationships' into PSE lessons
- Public Sector duty to "Ask" and "Act"
- ❖ Regionalisation of IDVA service by April 2016





Thank you- Questions?

