

FOI-479/13

I write in connection with your request for information dated 4<sup>th</sup> October 2013 concerning funding of drug and alcohol services.

I am required by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to handle all requests in a manner that is blind as to the identity and motives of the requester. Any information released as a response to a request is regarded as being published and therefore in the public domain without caveat.

Following receipt of your request, searches were conducted within the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC). I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by the Police and Crime Commissioner.

Your request has now been considered and it is possible to meet your requirements in full.

You wrote:

1. For 2013-14, please provide information about how much of your Community Safety Fund has been allocated to services relating to alcohol and drug use.
2. Are you able to give any indication of what the allocation is likely to be in 2014-15, and what the decision making process for next year's funding will be in your police area?
3. Please describe how you engage with Health and Wellbeing Boards within your police area, and what level of involvement you have in Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies.
4. Please describe whether you currently commission or are considering commissioning within the next 12 months services funded by a Payment by Results (PbR) mechanism, and if so, what form that mechanism takes.

Response

1. For 2013-14 funding has been awarded to Swindon Drug Intervention Partnership and Wiltshire Drug Intervention Partnership.

From the former Home Officer Crime, Drugs and Community Safety grants funding stream:

- Swindon DIP awarded £53 000 of the £477 000 fund
- Wiltshire DIP awarded £70 427 of the £477 000 fund

From the Local Partnership fund:

- Swindon DIP received £16 000 of the £312 839 fund
- Wiltshire DIP awarded £35 565 of the £312 839 fund

2. A decision on the funding allocation and process for next year's funding has not yet been taken.
3. The Commissioner sits on both the Swindon and the Wiltshire Health and Wellbeing Board, regularly attending meetings. Joint Strategic Needs assessments are considered closely in the drafting and amendment of the Police and Crime Plan. The Joint Health and Wellbeing strategies are approved by the boards on which the PCC sits.
4. At the moment there are no plans to implement such a mechanism expressly but each organisation will be required to provide performance reports.

Thank you for your enquiry to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon.