



The City & County of Swansea

EFP1 PRE-SUBMISSION - Notification of Funding Bid to External Funding Panel

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THE EFP1 APPLIES TO HARD COPY AND ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS

1. Scheme background and details - this is to inform the External Funding Panel of the intention to apply for a new grant proposal –

a. Awarding Body	Welsh Government
b. Name and purpose of Scheme/Programme (attach proposal brief in cabinet style report)	Grant for the Western Bay Advocacy Service 2017 - 18
c. Grant value in Total £	£94,035
d. Grant period / timescale for delivery	1 st April 2017 to the 31 st March 2018
e. CCS acting as Lead Body or Joint Sponsor? Name other Partners.	CCS is the Lead Body for the three local authorities in the Western Bay region. The other partners are therefore Bridgend CBC and Neath Port Talbot CBC.
f. Detail links to existing schemes at Local, Regional or National level	The National Approach for Statutory Advocacy has required local authorities to work on a regional basis for the commissioning of advocacy services.
g. Detail direct links to Council Policy, including, where appropriate, target areas	Social Services and Well-Being Act 2014 National Approach to Statutory Advocacy
h. List key target and proposed performance measures	The purpose of the funding is to support Local Authorities to deliver the National Approach to Statutory Advocacy.
i. For EUROPEAN schemes confirm that the scheme has been developed in conjunction with the European Unit – Yes /No (<i>delete</i>)	N/A
j. Does this grant require a continuation of funding by the Council after the grant period has expired? <i>This includes current or additional staff costs.</i> Yes	The Council will continue to be responsible for funding the National Approach to Statutory Advocacy in 2018/19. Welsh Government has confirmed that it will continue to support this via another designated grant in 2018/19, and thereafter by an adjustment to the RSG.

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k. Does the application require match-funding? Yes/No if it does where is this coming from?	The Council has long funded advocacy in line with its statutory responsibilities. The creation of a National Approach has meant the level of funding the Council has had to commit has also increased. This additional funding has had to be made from the core budget for Child and Family Services.
l. Will the project entail the employment of additional staff and on what basis?	Not by the Council. The independent provider of advocacy will now have to employ further staff.
M. Have you completed an EIA (Equality Impact Assessment) Screening Form (please attach)?	Yes
N. Is a full EIA report required?	No

2. Please complete the following financial information:

	Current financial year £	Year 2 £	Year 3 £	Ongoing £
Total project cost:				
Capital				
Revenue				
Grant received:				
Capital				
Revenue	94,035 - this is to be split between the three partner authorities: CCOS, NPT CBC and BCBC.	The precise level of future grants is unknown. It is likely to be similar to that for 2017/18 but the final figure will be based upon the numbers of children open to Child and Family Services in each of the 3 authorities at the end of the financial year.		
Match Funding Internal	Swansea must contribute a further sum of	Again, this is likely to be similar to the current year but will depend on the		

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	£139,000	number of children open to Child and Family Services in Swansea at the end of the financial year.		
Match Funding External				

3. Please complete the following:

a. Does the funding meet the Council's priorities?	Yes – the funding supports the Council priorities of: Safeguarding vulnerable people
b. What are the expected outcomes and are they clear and achievable? (link to 1h)	The purpose of the funding is to enable Local Authorities to deliver additional advocacy services to children open to Child and Family Services
c. Is there an exit plan? (link to 1j/l)	N/A
d. How is Value for Money being obtained? (procurement/ third party arrangements etc.)	A full procurement exercise has been completed but the National Approach does specify how much funding the Council must make available.
e. What is the governance / management structure for the scheme? – What board/management team will it be reported to?	Overseen by the Western Bay Heads of Children's Services Group.
f. What are the major risks and how will they be managed?	Contract monitoring will be required to help ensure the National Approach to Advocacy is delivered as intended by Welsh Government.

4. Authorisation

	Name / Signature	Date
Responsible Officer:	Christopher Francis	
(Group)/Accountant:	Chris Davies	
External Funding Panel		
Endorsed /Not Endorsed		