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## Executive Summary

The Gwynedd Community Safety Partnership has responsibility for developing a Substance Misuse strategy for the County of Gwynedd.

The three-year strategy has been developed by a sub group of the Community Safety Partnership, the Substance Misuse Action Team (SMAT).

The SMAT is made up of Statutory partners, Substance Misuse practitioners, stakeholder organisations, elected members and interested organisations.

The three-year strategy aims to take forward the developments made through the current one-year plan. Priorities have been identified through the partnership process, and actions have been written into the plan, which will enable us to deliver on our strategic priorities.

Law enforcement continues to be a high priority but of equal importance to the Partnership is prevention and the provision of effective treatment services for people who misuse substances.

Providing adequate treatment services is proven to have a major impact on reducing the levels of crime and disorder and the Partnership firmly endorses the Welsh Assembly Government's continuing investment in treatment services.

To this end the Partnership will continue to support and develop innovative ways of encouraging people to engage in treatment particularly those that respond imaginatively to the challenges posed by the cultural aspects and rural nature of the area.

The services to tackle substance misuse currently in place are of a high standard and cover a broad range of problem areas and needs, but there are always ways to improve provision and with this in mind the Substance Misuse Action team (SMAT) on behalf of the Partnership has completed an initial audit of the capacity of present provision to meet the known need for services.

Over the next three years, the Partnership will work towards an integration of current services and give priority to a joint commissioning process, which enables more effective and efficient use of available resources.

## **1. Partnership statement**

- 1.1 The Gwynedd Substance Misuse Action Plan 2005 –2008 maintains as its mission statement – ‘To assist in the creation of a healthy and confident society increasingly free from the harm caused by the misuse of alcohol, drugs and other substances’.
- 1.2 The plan has been developed in partnership with all responsible authorities and other members of the Community Safety Partnership and the Substance Misuse Action Team.
- 1.3 The strategic aims of the Partnership will focus on the following areas;

The problems caused by alcohol misuse in the area, to increase the investment in alcohol treatment services, as it is responsible for a significant proportion of crimes and the greatest harm.

Through collaborating with other North Wales Substance Misuse Action Teams to deliver some services on a regional basis where this is mutually beneficial and adds value.

Reducing the amount of crime and disorder directly attributable to substance misuse by continuing to strengthen law enforcement and drug seizure activity.

Reducing the harm caused to people who misuse substances and the harm they cause to others by increasing the number accessing and engaging with treatment services.

Increasing public awareness of the potential harm that misusing alcohol, drugs and other substances can cause.

- 1.4. The Substance Misuse Action Plan has given consideration to other relevant plans and strategies, and aims to work collaboratively in the delivery of services where possible.

## **2. Reasons for, and purpose of the plan**

- 2.1 Tackling the problems associated with substance misuse is a high priority for the Welsh Assembly Government and the published strategy ‘Tackling Substance Misuse in Wales – a partnership approach (April 2000)’ details some of the ways in which they are to be addressed. This plan compliments the National strategy by describing in detail how the National strategy will be implemented in Gwynedd.

- 2.2 The Substance Misuse Action Team assumes responsibility for effective planning of services, by delegation from the statutory Community Safety Partnership. Within this framework, the following list outlines the purpose of the plan;

2.2.1 To carry out an audit of current services.

2.2.2 To carry out a needs/gap analysis of service provisions, including a contribution from service users.

- 2.2.3 To review the progress of projects and SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, realistic, and timely) objectives within the 2004/5 plan, and carry them forward as required.
- 2.2.4 To effectively contribute to the consultation processes between the Welsh Assembly Government and local teams on issues relating to substance misuse.
- 2.2.5 To collate all relevant information from strategic policy officers in other partnership members departments, which have a bearing on substance misuse.
- 2.2.6 To take into account relevant research, both local and national, which has a bearing on substance misuse.
- 2.3 From the process outlined above, to effectively assess the needs of the residents of Gwynedd in terms of substance misuse and thereafter plan and commission services accordingly (the process and results are outlined in section 5).
- 2.4 The plan also informs and involves the public in the development of services.

### **3. Geographical coverage**

- 3.1 The Gwynedd Substance Misuse Action Plan covers the Gwynedd County area, the population of which is in the region of 116,800 and covers an area of 254,800 hectares. The average age of inhabitants is 40 years, which is higher than the Welsh average. Unemployment is also higher than the Welsh average. Gross average weekly earnings are below the North Wales, Wales and United Kingdom average and 30% of the population classify themselves as having a long-term illness or 'not good' general health.
- 3.2 At the end of the last century the indigenous population decreased as deaths outstripped births but the total population increased as a result of in-migration. This increase hides the decrease in young people migrating for work and higher education opportunities. The net effect is a population with a disproportionate older population than the Welsh average. In all areas the percentage of retired households is greater than the percentage of those in full time work.
- 3.3 The population density is very low at 0.5 persons per hectare and is mainly concentrated in a number of settlements along the coast with Bangor and Caernarfon being the largest. The inland area is mountainous with many small, remote communities. This illustrates one of the main challenges in implementing the plan, namely, delivering services over a large geographic area to a widely dispersed population.
- 3.4 There are currently 7 Council wards identified within the Communities First initiative. These comprise: Cadnant, Caernarfon; Marchog, Bangor; Bowydd and Rhiw in Blaenau Ffestiniog; Talysarn and Nantlle; Barmouth; Pwllheli South; Pen Llyn (Aberdaron, Botwnnog and Tudweiliog). **Each of these 7 areas rank amongst the most deprived wards in Wales and each feature either exclusively or high proportions of Council housing and 5 also feature in the 10 most deprived wards for housing.**

3.5 15.3% of the population live in wards that are amongst the 20% most deprived in Wales.

#### **4. The local vision and values statement**

4.1 Members of the Partnership share the following values and vision. Namely that:

4.2 All service users will be treated with equal respect and dignity and their choices and preferences will always be taken into account.

4.3 Wherever possible, all services will be offered in the service user's preferred language following a holistic assessment of their needs.

4.4 The amount of resources invested to combat the harm and social costs of non-prescribed drugs is disproportionate to that invested in combating the misuse of alcohol which causes far greater problems in Gwynedd and this must be addressed both nationally and locally.

4.5 An awareness of the health problems caused by substance misuse is, in itself, insufficient to change the amount people consume. It must be backed up by other wider social actions e.g. limiting the number of premises entitled to sell alcohol and policing a reduction in under age drinking.

4.6 It is illogical for the consumption of alcohol to be sanctioned by the State but for the consumption of illicit drugs to be criminalised.

4.7 All agencies will continually endeavour to ensure that the public is kept informed of the potential harm caused by the excessive consumption of alcohol and the misuse of illicit drugs in order that people can make free and informed life style choices.

4.8 In September 2002 the North Wales Drug and Alcohol Action Forum (DAAF) held a conference titled 'Drugs debate – Changing Times!' The 450 participants from a wide range of agencies and backgrounds including Assembly Members and Members of Parliament with an interest in reducing drug misuse voted in support of a number of propositions. These were also considered and endorsed by the Partnership. Although these statements remain part of our value base, the reality is that many of these positions have yet to be achieved.

4.9 That the NHS and its partner agencies must give substance misuse treatment, particularly for alcohol misuse, a far greater priority and provide integrated, consistent and comprehensive treatment services.

4.10 A thorough review of drug legislation is required including consideration of the termination of the policy of blanket prohibition.

4.11 The current A/B/C classification of drugs is illogical and should be replaced with a scale of risk based on scientific and sociological evidence.

4.12 That a range of validated and effective treatments should be identified and made available to all those who require them.

4.13 That the controlled prescription of heroin should be trialled as soon as possible to a select group of problematic drug users.

**5. Review of local services, outcome of the needs assessment, and the setting of objectives, priorities and targets**

5.1 The Gwynedd SMAT conducted a comprehensive review of existing services on the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 2004, utilising a quarterly SMAT meeting. All members were invited to contribute to the session, which included the identifying of perceived gaps in services and provisions within Gwynedd. The model used for conducting this process was the NTA's four tier (of services) model.

5.2 The extensive information gathered during the above session was then collated by the SMAT lead officer and SMAT facilitator, and presented to the Gwynedd SMAT implementation group on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2004. During this session all the information was reassessed and a list of gaps identified.

5.3 On the 7<sup>th</sup> of October a further meeting of the implementation group was held, with an additional number of SMAT members present, and the gaps were developed into priorities.

5.4 The identified priorities were then presented to the Gwynedd SMAT on the 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2004 for consultation and agreement. The resultant list of priorities was subsequently translated into action points for the plan, in line with the Welsh Assembly guidance on delivering SMART targets.

5.5 The list of priorities was then mapped into the four aims and objectives within the action plan section below.

## REVIEW OF LOCAL SERVICES AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT

CURRENT PROVISIONS	GAPS
A range of core generic services within social services, housing and education.	<p>Awareness training for core services, including teachers, social workers and other departments.</p> <p>Adult social services to become more involved with SMAT, children's services link to be further developed - particularly in relation to hidden harm developments.</p> <p>Lack of dedicated Support workers (social care).</p> <p>Lack of dedicated housing provisions – short-term tenancies, particularly for single people/people with criminal records etc and an abstinence requirement can also be a problem.</p>
Formal and informal access/referral routes between tier one/two services and tier three/four services.	A comprehensive directory of local services and referral procedures, which is available to all generic and specialist services within Gwynedd – <b>in order to ensure appropriate referrals are made.</b>
Ambulance trust involvement in NSE collections and drug related death reviews.	Increase involvement of Ambulance trust with the local SMAT.
Some supervised consumption of methadone on an informal basis within pharmacies.  (WAG target-----)	Formal (funded) supervised consumption schemes to meet WAG targets.
Information available through SMS and other limited sources such as GP's / CAB.	Welsh language information – information leaflets in general.
Drop in sessions held by SMS in Bangor/Caernarfon/BFfestiniog/Pwllheli/Tyw yn/Dolgellau/Bala.	<p>No drop in – Barmouth area.</p> <p>No 'wet' services. (Non abstinence accommodation)</p> <p>Extended hours provision.</p> <p>Directory of Private social landlords.</p>

<p>Homeless provisions with links to substance misuse services- North Wales Housing – two hostels in Bangor and satellite provisions. Tai Hafan – accommodation for vulnerable women – Bangor, Penrhyndaedraeth, Caernarfon and Bangor. Agorfa – Bond scheme for homeless people across Gwynedd. CAIS – floating support units in Bangor area.</p>	<p>Formal link between homelessness services and substance misuse services.</p>
<p>Red Cross mobile youth outreach service.  Information shop for young people in B Ffestiniog.  YPSMS Healthy schools scheme Young Carers scheme</p>	<p>More targeted prevention/intervention with vulnerable young people/children.</p>
<p>Specialist screening and assessment procedures within substance misuse services.</p>	<p>Development of generic care pathways for all services. Implementation of unified assessment tool.  Need to assess the efficiency of the unified assessment tool in identifying substance misuse.</p>
<p>14 pharmacies currently participating in needle exchange schemes (42%), with plans for a further 3-5 over the next three years. Three sites within SMS conducting NSE.</p>	<p>Needle/syringe collection bins in the community.  Appropriate policy and resources within the local authority for collection of discarded needle/syringe.</p>
<p>Dual diagnosis service.</p>	<p>Review of current Dual Diagnosis provision for Gwynedd and Môn, to align service with WAG guidelines and to assess need and provision status.</p>
<p>2 drug detoxification beds in Hergest ward, Ysbyty Gwynedd. Unlimited alcohol detoxification beds in Ysbyty Gwynedd. 2 detox bed available in Hafan Wen, Wrexham, with approx 50% take up.  Unlimited community detoxification.</p>	<p>Effective use of the Hafan Wen beds. This requires a review of admission procedures/management etc.</p>
<p>Current core staff within SMS to be maintained, or increased as other schemes impact on them.</p>	<p>Review funding in line with agenda for change.  Fund further core substance misuse worker to absorb added workload.</p>

<p>Alcohol initiatives existing – relate to trading standards drives/ Police activity and Hospital based treatment projects.</p>	<p>Need for a local alcohol action group able to co-ordinate drives and initiatives relating to alcohol related incidents/education/crime etc.</p>
<p>Trading standards carry out test purchasing at off-licences.</p>	<p>To ensure that a coordinated initiative takes place to carry out many more test purchases on underage sales.</p>
<p>Progress to work support services. Achieving above national averages for people going into employment, but volume of service users is lower than anticipated. The service has capacity to take more people from identified target group.</p>	<p>To raise awareness amongst relevant organisations of service availability. To raise level of appropriate referrals to the service. The Throughcare&amp;Aftercare agenda may impact on the numbers – (increasing referrals)</p>

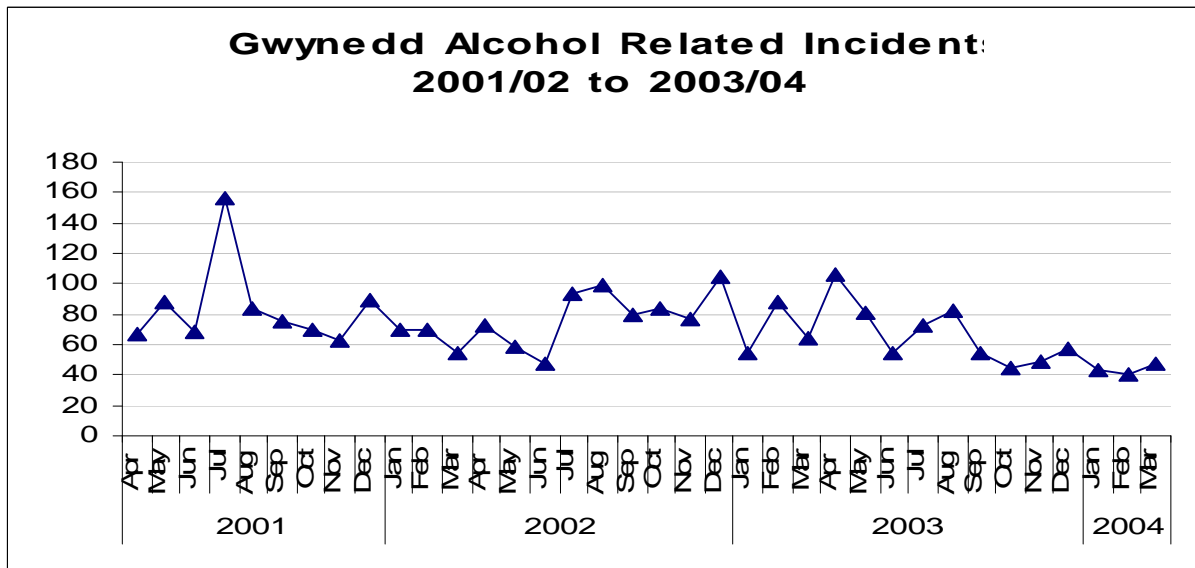
## ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES FOR 05/08

<b>1</b>	<b>Children, young people and adults. (Funding not required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To develop the links between adult and children's services and the SMAT – particularly in relation to the Hidden Harm agenda.</li> <li>▪ To develop a link between the Ambulance service and the SMAT, particularly in relation to maintenance of good practice and drug death reviews.</li> </ul>
<b>2</b>	<b>Families and Communities. (Funding not required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To provide appropriate and accessible information on substance misuse issues, in the Welsh language. (WAG lead)</li> <li>▪ A more formal link to be established between the homelessness services and substance misuse services, to be established mainly by strengthening links between SMAT and housing department/supporting people, and also by including all homeless provision on the list of those receiving the new directory of services.</li> <li>▪ To assist the local authority in the development of a robust and effective policy for the collection of discarded needle/syringe.</li> <li>▪ To raise awareness amongst relevant organisations of the Progress to work scheme, in order to make best use of the service.</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Treatment. (Funding not required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To provide a further drop-in session by the SMS in the Meirionydd area, dependent on being able to secure appropriate premises from which to hold the sessions.</li> <li>▪ Implementation of unified assessment tool as it is rolled out. (WAG lead)</li> <li>▪ Assessing efficiency of the tool in identifying substance misuse problems – as part of consultation process.</li> <li>▪ To consider results of the LHB's review of the Hafan Wen facility, and implement changes as may be required.</li> <li>▪ Review of current Dual Diagnosis provision for Gwynedd and Môn, to align service with WAG guidelines and to assess need and provision status.</li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	<b>Availability. (Funding not required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To make full use of the provisions within the Licensing Act 2003 in relation to the prevention of children from harm, by encouraging the use of proof of age conditions.</li> <li>▪ To make full use of the provisions within the Licensing Act 2003 in relation to the prevention of irresponsible sales which encourages binge drinking.</li> <li>▪ To target the most persistent and prolific offenders within the community within the scope of both the POPO and Throughcare and Aftercare remits, as both schemes roll out.</li> </ul>

5	<b>Children, young people and adults. (Funding required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To provide appropriate training in substance misuse awareness for Tier 4 workers, beginning with identified teachers (as the school study shows them to be an important resource on substance misuse information for children)</li> <li>▪ To be flexible in terms of the use of the budget acquired for the above, so that we may investigate the possibility of holding open access sessions in an effort to target parents.</li> <li>▪ To provide a children and young person dual diagnosis (substance misuse and mental health) resource.</li> </ul>
6	<b>Families and Communities. (Funding required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To work towards an agreed policy within the local authority and community of placing needle/sharps bins in agreed locations as need is identified. Funding approval requires agreed flexibility, so that unspent money can be redirected to supply of paraphernalia, or more training provision for parents (open days).</li> <li>▪ To establish a local alcohol group with budget, to raise awareness of alcohol issues, and encourage community involvement in initiatives targeted at alcohol misuse.</li> <li>▪ To provide an additional support worker to assist core services with providing more social care. (May not achieve funding from SMAP fund – may become a Throughcare and Aftercare objective).</li> </ul>
7	<b>Treatment. (Funding required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To compile a directory of services that can be utilised by workers within all four Tiers of service provision. Directory to include a section on Private Social landlords (PSL)</li> <li>▪ To encourage the take-up of formal supervised consumption schemes within the remit of the pharmacist contracts currently being rolled out.</li> <li>▪ To provide additional resources for SMS in order to facilitate out of hours provision. (May not achieve funding from SMAP fund)</li> <li>▪ To provide an additional generic substance misuse worker within core services to absorb extra workload resulting from fast track interventions such as POPO and Throughcare and Aftercare.</li> <li>▪ To review costs of current services in line with up-lift of the agenda for change, and provide within the SMAP fund accordingly.</li> </ul>
8	<b>Availability. (Funding required)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To invest in additional resource within Trading Standards, to allow more test purchasing to be carried out over the next three years.</li> </ul>

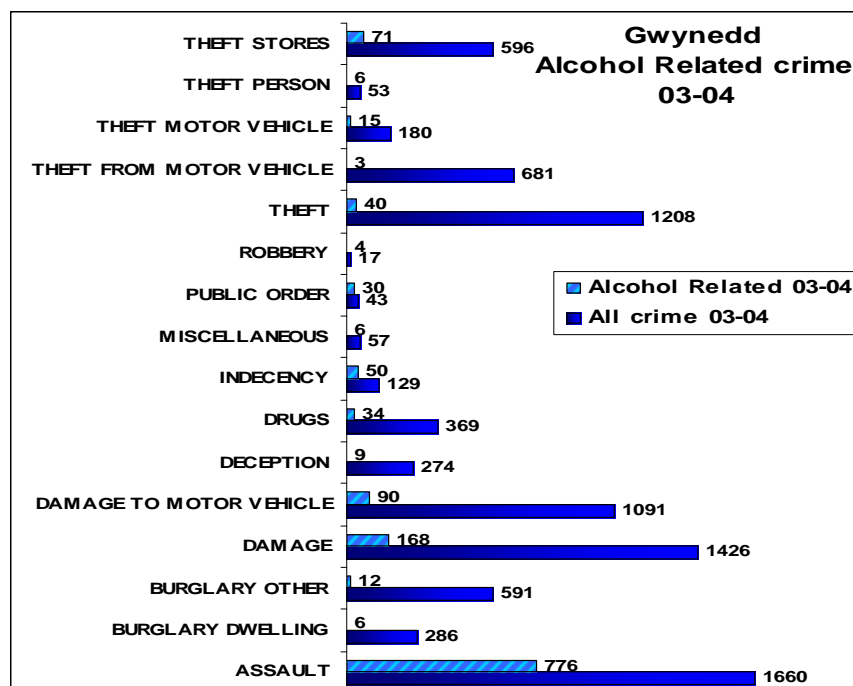
## Evidence for the prioritising of issues.

### Alcohol related incidents



### Alcohol related crime

- 1320 crimes in Gwynedd during 2003-04 were recorded as being alcohol related. This represents 14% of all crime.
- 47% of all assaults are alcohol related.
- 39% of indecency offences are alcohol related.
- 24% of robberies are alcohol related.
- The majority of alcohol related crime is centred around town and city centres.



## Alcohol sales – test purchasing

- In 2002, 22 premises were tested for under age alcohol sales.
- In 2003, 23 premises were tested for under age alcohol sales.
- In 2004, 7 premises have been tested for under age alcohol sales to date.
- In 2003/4 there were two prosecutions for underage sales.

## Young People's use of Substances (school study 2004)

Some of the most pertinent information taken from the above study.

<b>QUESTIONS</b>	<b>RESULTS</b> (2,251 pupils –aged 10-18)
What age -started drinking alcohol	11-12 years - 31.1% 13-14 years - 39.4%
Consumed alcohol before age 10	12.6% (136 people)
Number drinking alcohol once a week or more	39.6% (boys) 43.1 %(girls) of those who drink.
Where alcohol purchased	48.4% purchased from off-licences
How many offered drugs	22.1%
How many have used drugs	11.9%
Which drugs have you used (four most prevalent)	Cannabis Magic mushrooms Solvents Cocaine
Which drugs do you still use (four most prevalent)	Cannabis Magic mushrooms Solvents Cocaine
Which drugs are easiest to obtain	Cannabis Magic mushrooms Crack/Cocaine
Where do you obtain info about drugs (main choice)	User group – Friends Teachers Non user group – Teachers Parents

## Needle Syringe Exchange service (NSE annual report 2003/4)

### GWYNEDD NSE STATISTICS

**(Currently 13 participating pharmacies)**

<i>Number of different clients issued with Emergency Packs</i>	173
<i>Estimated percentage of needles/syringes returned</i>	94%
<i>Approximate number of individual needles/syringes sold each month</i>	148

“The epidemiology of injecting misused substances still reveals a spread into the rural, more isolated towns and villages. Much research on locating beneficial sharps bins in the community went unheeded by the local authority although the Caernarfon town bins have proved singularly successful. As with other counties, a great deal of plain education is needed to enlighten local elected councillors and officers in the local authorities.”

### Progress to work (2001- April 2004)

Period	Starts	Current Participation	Job Outcome	Sustained Jobs	Percentage Starts
April 04	6	6	1	0	
Gwynedd/Mon Total	99	28	24	7	24.24%
National Total	5263	2163	1107	430	21.03%

### Hidden population Research –North Wales

Some of the results of the North Wales research – sample 153 people (less than half in treatment)

48% were parents.  
 30% over 30.  
 18% were homeless (majority in Wrexham and Gwynedd).  
 91% on benefits.  
 43% had been school excludes / 20% had been in care.  
 83% heroin was main drug of use.  
 45% used crack cocaine.  
 82% used two drugs or more. (26% used 5 drugs).  
 65% had an unofficial income.  
 Perceived barriers to treatment – main one being access to prescribing, with an average waiting time (perceived) of 13 weeks – Gwynedd 14.3 weeks.  
 63% had been imprisoned – on release 56% stayed clean for less than a week.  
 17% average rate of needle/syringe sharing.  
 Only 33% of injectors had been vaccinated 3 times against Hepatitis B.  
 66% felt that GP's should offer more treatment.

## North Wales children and adolescent mental health services review

RISK FACTORS	IMPACT ON RATE OF MENTAL DISORDER/MENTAL HEALTH
Substance misuse	5 times more likely where cannabis is used more than once a week.
Alcohol	3 times more likely where alcohol is consumed more than once a week.
Learning difficulties	3-4 times more likely.
Parents scoring 3+ on GHQ 112	Twice as likely.
Parental mental health	Up to 4 times more likely.
Entering LA care	Two thirds of LAC children experience significant MH problems.
Young offenders	11% of sentenced and 13% of remanded male young offenders had received help or treatment for a mental or emotional problem compared with 27% of female young offenders.
Child abuse	One half to two thirds of children suffer moderate to severe psychological ill effects in the first year.
Homelessness	3 times more likely.

Sources – Hilary Barton, Nov 2003/National Assembly 2004

## 6. How the plan has taken into account - national and local strategies

### NATIONAL STRATEGIES

#### Welsh Assembly Government homeless strategy March 2003. – states :

*“The prevalence of drug and alcohol problems amongst homeless people is well documented. These problems can both cause and compound homelessness, as they become part of an entrenched lifestyle and coping mechanism. Homeless people who are misusing substances often have other problems, such as with mental health, and may experience difficulty in getting properly diagnosed. The UK Government recently amended Section 8 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 that will increase the responsibilities of people working with “hard” drug users. The Assembly Government has already responded to consultation on draft guidance, and is concerned that the final guidance does not inhibit the ability of homelessness services to work with drug users to achieve harm reduction. The Assembly Government already has a Substance Misuse Strategy, which sets out its priorities for planning and delivery of services. It is currently undertaking a review, which aims to scope the availability of, and access to, substance misuse treatment and rehabilitation services in Wales.*

*The Assembly Government will:*

*Aim to secure access to substance misuse treatment services for all homeless people.”*

The Gwynedd SMAT plan acknowledges that homelessness and substance misuse can often go hand in hand, and that ensuring access to services for this group is an important issue. To this end, the former Gwynedd plan 2004/5 prioritised the need for a homelessness/SMS liaison worker; unfortunately the 2004/5 funding allocation was not sufficient to allow for the new post. Therefore, currently, all services that work with the homeless locally are encouraged to form close links with Substance Misuse services. One of the priorities within this plan is to make available to all sectors, up to date and accurate information on all available services, together with referral/signposting pathways and information, thereby ensuring that these close local links are continued.

### **National Housing Strategy (Better Homes for People in Wales).**

The strategy makes no specific reference to the housing of substance misusers, however the policy does state as its main aim:

*“We want everyone in Wales to have the opportunity to live in good quality, affordable, housing; to be able to choose where they live and decide whether buying or letting is best for them and their families”*

Gwynedd SMAT agrees with the principle of affordable housing for all but at the same time, acknowledge the specific problems that may be encountered by substance misusers in terms of securing suitable accommodation. The work currently being undertaken under the Throughcare Aftercare scheme, and through the Supporting People programme, and Social Housing Grant will assist in tackling some of these problems. Links with housing departments at local level are effective, and need to be maintained in order to ensure the housing needs of substance misusers can be logistically and financially met.

### **Child and adolescent mental health services – everybody’s business (strategy document ) September 2001 – states:**

*“Objectives .....*

*to build child protection measures into all services at every stage and throughout every service and sector so as to provide safeguards for children and young people wherever and whenever they are cared for or treated;”*

The Gwynedd SMAT has included the adherence to child protection policies as a condition of all service agreements since 2004.

The Child and adolescent mental health service (CAMHS) strategy also states:

*“Substance use by adolescents in Wales is endemic and the rate of misuse is predicted to be higher than in England as it, too, is related to indicators of deprivation, alienation and exclusion. The ONS survey showed that 24% of young people who drank alcohol more than once a week had a mental disorder, three times the proportion among the group who had never drunk any alcohol. About one half of the 11 to 15 year olds who frequently used cannabis (more than once a week) had a mental disorder compared with one fifth of the less than once a month users and one tenth of those who had never used cannabis. Binge drinking by teenagers is now one of the most worrying aspects of recent changes in patterns of substance use. The risk factors for substance misuse and mental health problems are similar and some sources estimate very high rates of co-existence of both types of problem.”*

The Young Person Substance Misuse Service (YPSMS) in Gwynedd is placed within the same directorate as the CAMHT, and have working links which need to be maintained and optimised, in order to enable young people with dual diagnosis to receive the best care possible. One of the main aims of this plan is to ensure an additional mental health and substance misuse resource for children and young people.

The post of children's worker within the SMS in Gwynedd is aimed at providing diversionary and preventative activities for the children of substance misusers. By providing alternative lifestyle choices, and mentoring services, children who may otherwise be led into substance misuse are given the opportunity to resist, and are able to access help at an early stage. This service it is hoped, will reduce the number of children presenting with mental health and substance misuse problems.

**Substance Misuse: children and young people National Assembly for Wales circular no : 17/02 – states:**

*“The purpose is to inform good practice in delivering education programmes, managing substance misuse related incidents and developing effective policy”*

The Gwynedd SMAT work closely with the education department in order to ensure effective delivery of substance misuse policy within schools. To this end, the action plan includes the following target for the next three years.

‘To identify examples of good-practice in relation to the implementation of drug and alcohol policies in Gwynedd schools’

The plan also outlines the targets of the All Wales Schools scheme, and the process of implementation, and sets out SMART targets in relation to increasing the training given to teachers.

**Welsh Assembly Government: Annual report on social inclusion in Wales 2002 – states:**

*“Substance misuse can be linked to poverty, homelessness and lack of work and leisure opportunities, and can lead to criminal behaviour, the break-up of families and the loss of good health. It needs to be addressed within the wider context of community regeneration, crime and disorder, and public health”*

The Gwynedd action plan, as stated earlier, has highlighted the need for effective housing provision for people with substance misuse problems. Employment is also a pertinent issue for them, the progress to work scheme continues to target those with particular employment difficulties, and the DAWN project amongst others, also address the employment/leisure opportunities of those who have multiple social problems.

**Social Justice Report 2004 – states:**

*“One of the aims of the National Assembly’s strategic plan is to develop a society where everyone has the chance to fulfil their potential”.*

The Gwynedd SMAT agrees with this principal and would endeavour to provide all possible opportunities to those who experience problems because of substance misuse.

**The National Policing Plan (Home Office) November 2003 – states:**

*“All police forces and authorities should have strategies and sufficient operational resources in place to tackle the supply of drugs at both level 1 and 2 of the National Intelligence Model”*

*“Local plans should set out the action to be taken to tackle prolific offenders in relation to such issues as targeting and identification; treatment for drug and alcohol dependency”*

*“All forces should make full use of existing powers (in relation to alcohol-related crime) as well as the new provisions of the Licensing Act 2003”*

The **North Wales Police Strategic plan for 2003-2005**, is also committed to the above targets, having adopted the NIM *“in order to reduce drug-related crime”*. The use of this model is now used by the PORT project. The North Wales Police state their commitment to partnership working within their strategy document, and they have been involved with the local authority in developing policy around the Licensing Act 2003.

Reducing alcohol related crime features in both the above strategies, and is also a common feature within the Government's crime reduction strategy. To this end, the Gwynedd SMAT propose to introduce a new sub-group – Alcohol Action Group – in the first year of this plan. The purpose of which will be to develop local initiatives based on both: guidelines and legislation as they develop over the next three years, and local ‘ideas’ and projects, which are suited to tackling alcohol related problems in Gwynedd.

**An Integrated Strategy for the National Probation Service for England and Wales 2001-2004 –states:**

*The NPS is committed to evidence-based (what works) practice and Government targets dictate that we should reduce the reconviction rates..... For those who misuse drugs the target is 25%. This will be achieved by the roll-out of independently accredited evidence-based programmes...”*

**All Wales Youth Offending Strategy 2004 – states:**

*“Ensure that all young people are screened for substance misuse, that those with identified needs receive appropriate assessment within 5 working days and following the assessment access early intervention and treatment services they require within 10 working days”*

The Gwynedd Youth Offending Team has a dedicated substance misuse worker within their team, with close links to the Young Persons Substance Misuse Service. This ensures that early intervention is achievable.

## Local strategies

### **Gwynedd Together – Community plan 2004 and the Gwynedd Health, Social care and Well-being strategy 2005-2008.**

There is an established link between the above two plans and the SMAT in Gwynedd, with collaboration taking place as all the strategies progress. During the course of these collaborative discussions, the SMAT provided the following information on links between the plans to the co-coordinator of the HSC and WB plan.

*“The Gwynedd SMAT endorse the ‘Gwynedd Together’ commitment to “work together to improve the quality of life for all in Gwynedd”*

The partnership welcome the inclusiveness of the statement, and acknowledge that the contribution we make to this ideal will stem from improving the quality of life of those who misuse substances to the detriment of their health and well being.

The partnership therefore agrees with the principles and aims of the ‘Health, Social Care and Well Being Strategy’, and will contribute to the vision of *“Promoting the health and well being of everyone living in Wales.....”*

Guided by the National Assembly for Wales document “Tackling substance misuse in Wales”, the partnership will work collaboratively with all other committed organisations to deliver the best possible services in order to combat –

Social exclusion

Education, employment and training issues

Health promotion

Mental health issues

Crime and disorder

Social care

Housing issues

In the recognition that all the above are equally important in the provision of a successful strategy to improve the quality of life for the residents of Gwynedd.

The Gwynedd Substance Misuse Action Plan aims to *“Assist in the creation of a healthy and confident society, increasingly free from the harm caused by the misuse of alcohol, drugs and other substances”*

The Plan emphasises that providing treatment to those who misuse substances is a priority, to this end, the SMAP fund (WAG monies) is currently used in Gwynedd to fund the following new initiatives- (additional to core services)

**A dedicated young people’s substance misuse service for those under the age of 25** years, working from within the core Substance Misuse Service (SMS) North West Wales NHS Trust. This recognises that the misuse of substances is a negative determinant in the case of young people’s health (HSC and WB plan).

**A children’s worker** (within core SMS) to develop preventative and diversionary interventions for the children of adults who misuse substances. The aim is to lessen the possibility of the child also becoming a misuser, and also to improve the quality of life for that child. (The HSC and WB needs assessment document identifies the socio-economic

inequalities that may contribute to children self-harming etc)

**A specialist liaison midwifery service** (North East Wales NHS Trust), a North Wales level service which aims to normalise the care of pregnant substance misusing women, and educate all those involved in their care on best practice and evidence based medical care plans, so that the child is born with the optimum health possible (it is recognised in the HSC and WB needs assessment document that early health status is an important factor in a persons lifelong health prospects- supporting young pregnant women is a key identified need (P12).

**Dual Diagnosis worker** (partly funded by Gwynedd Council), to provide an effective liaison and case management service for those who have both mental health and substance misuse problems. (The HSC and WB needs assessment document identifies as a key aim the need to promote further alcohol/drug services for homeless people P15) This group of people are often homeless, although specified research into the profile of the service users in Gwynedd is yet to be completed.

**A specialist alcohol addiction nurse** within the SMS who is currently working in partnership with a MET nurse in Ysbyty Gwynedd. The aim of this pilot project is to provide targeted and appropriate treatment and interventions for patients who are admitted into hospital with other medical conditions, primarily relating to their misuse of alcohol. (The HSC and WB strategy specifies the extent of, and contribution of, alcohol misuse to the health status of the population (P36)

The SMAT and Community safety partnership will be involved in developing strategies to combat alcohol misuse, within national and local guidelines. Continued links between the partnership and the HSC and WB strategy is vital for this process to be effective. An additional alcohol CPN is also funded to work within Arfon.

**A social worker** within the SMS, this post allows for a link to be made between core social services for children and families, and the SMS, so that the family need (particularly those in relation to child protection issues) will be dealt with in the most effective way, this would appear to be a timely addition, as core social services are operating with a work force which is below capacity. (Again, this goes some way to meet the HSC and WB needs assessment recognition of the vulnerable status of socially disadvantaged individuals)

The partnership is also involved with the development of a criminal justice intervention programme, which is currently funded and delivered by the Police, Trust and Probation service, this aims to target persistent/prolific offenders who misuse substances. The aim is to provide a holistic package of treatment support and care for individuals in order to address their offending behaviour and their misuse of substances. (This may also contribute to a safer environment – free from crime, which is identified in the HSC and WG needs assessment as a contributory factor in terms of the general and specific health of the population (P18)

The development of this initiative will also depend upon the Throughcare & Aftercare programme currently being developed by the WAG in consultation with local SMAT's in order to provide a holistic package of care for people who misuse drugs, from the point of arrest to their leaving prison or ending treatment if not sentenced to prison, and those on community sentences, in order to address all their problems and allow them to live healthy crime free lives.

**The all Wales school's initiative** based on the Gwent schools initiative is currently being introduced into North Wales under the guidance of the WAG. From September 2004, all Gwynedd schools will have a responsible police officer to deliver education to the children within three key areas, antisocial behaviour, substance misuse and personal safety. The SMAT will endeavour to integrate this scheme into what is currently being delivered within our schools, so that best practice is maintained on a local level.

Many other initiatives taken by the SMAT, such as a recent study of school children's attitudes and habits in relation to smoking/alcohol and drugs, and the continuous provision of drug/alcohol awareness courses for workers, are constantly contributing to the shaping of new services.

Strategic development and planning is also an area that is currently evolving, and may result in new initiatives within the Community Safety Partnership in relation to, for instance, alcohol and smoking issues.

The links between the developing strategies is therefore an important one, in order to prevent duplication and identify need and responsible partners."

### **Children and young people framework – Gwynedd 2003 – 2008**

The Gwynedd children's plan 2003 –2008 states its commitment to improving the health and well being of the children of Gwynedd. As part of this commitment, the plan adopts the Substance Misuse Action Plan as one of it's strategic aims (3), and also highlights the framework's commitment to strengthening the ties between the groups to ensure efficiency and avoidance of duplication.

The Gwynedd Young People's plan likewise states the same commitments, and also highlights the need for close working relationships between the groups.

To this end, during 2004 in Gwynedd, periodical meetings have been held between the lead officers/co-coordinators of all strategic plans, in order to raise awareness of work that is on going, and in order to seize any opportunity to work collaboratively. This close working relationship will continue during the next three years. The CYPP are committed to this process, stating "With the development of the new planning structures there will be more focus on working in partnership with the SMAT on identifying and addressing issues that are seen as common priorities".

## **7. Consultation and communication of plan**

### **Public consultation**

Following the publication of the 2004/5 plan, the press were given details of how the public could appropriate copies of the plan. This will be done again following the publication of the three year plan. In the forthcoming months, the SMAT will also contribute to the Gwynedd Council young people website.

During the 6 months March 2004 - August 2004 the Gwynedd SMAT contacted each Community Council within Gwynedd (62). They were given a copy of the executive summary of the 2004/5 plan, along with background information on the SMAT, and an invitation to have a presentation delivered within their Community Council meeting. They were also invited to comment on the plan and make any observations/suggestions for the forthcoming three-year plan. Few Councils took up the opportunity of the presentation, however those who did welcomed all the initiatives within the plan, as did other Council by writing in to voice their support. Of the few Councils who took the opportunity to comment, concerns were largely focused around children and young people, particularly - underage drinking/ lack of activities for young people/ substance misuse education for children and parents in schools. Another area of concern was, the numbers of people taking up hospital beds, who have alcohol related illnesses.

During November/December/January 2004, the Community Safety Partnership will carry out an extensive consultation process. From this process, it is hoped to obtain information regarding the public's concerns regarding substance misuse and service provision. These findings will be drawn into the plan as required during the first monitoring period.

### **Communication strategy**

#### **Internal communications**

The Gwynedd SMAT has, and will continue to implement the following procedures in relation to internal communications.

All North Wales Substance Misuse Forum minutes, SMAT chair minutes, and SMAT Implementation group minutes are made available to all SMAT members on a quarterly basis.

All WAG consultation documents, information on courses and any other relevant information is circulated to the wider SMAT, as required, by the SMAT co-ordinator, and replies are collated and returned to the relevant person.

Commissioning group minutes are circulated to members of the Implementation group.

In addition, the SMAT is to become a standard agenda item for the CSP, and the SMAT minutes are circulated quarterly to the CSP.

## **Public communications**

The SMAT will adhere to the Council policy in relation to communicating with the press. This involves passing all releases to the Council press office before publication, including the alcohol awareness articles scheduled for 2005. The SMAT will continue to communicate local developments with community Councils and other interested bodies, and the SMAT plan will be available on the designated web-site following publication. The plan will be available upon request to members of the public, contact details will be given in order to facilitate feedback responses.

### **8. How the Gwynedd Local Substance Misuse Plan 2005-2008 has been adopted**

**4th of November 2004** the first draft of the Local Substance Misuse Plan presented to the Gwynedd SMAT.

A consultation period followed during the course of November, and the first draft was finalised.

**29<sup>th</sup> of November 2004** the final version of the first draft plan submitted to the SMART.

**10<sup>th</sup> of January 2005** Gwynedd CSP received feedback on the draft plan, including any changes to be made.

**12<sup>th</sup> of February 2005** the final draft of the plan submitted to the Welsh Assembly Government.

**21<sup>st</sup> of February 2005** the Gwynedd Council Management team presented with the plan for information.

**1<sup>st</sup> of March 2005** Notification of acceptance by Welsh Assembly Government received by Gwynedd CSP.

**3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2005** The Gwynedd Council Scrutiny committee presented with the plan for information.

**31<sup>st</sup> of March 2005** Formal adoption of the plan by the Gwynedd CSP, followed by publication of the plan.

## 9 The current core workforce

Organisation	Name of service Nature of post SMAP funded in bold	Details of personnel
Community safety partnership	Lead Officer/SMAT chair  <b>Facilitator for SMAT (Part SMAP funded)</b>  North Wales C-coordinator community safety and substance misuse.	0.25  1.00  North Wales wide – partnership Contribution
North West Wales NHS Trust  (Substance misuse service)	Service Manager  <b>Clinical Manager</b>  <b>Dual Diagnosis worker</b>  Drug workers  Alcohol workers (Dwyfor & Meirionydd)  CJIS workers (Grade G) DTTO Prolific offenders Arrest Referral Relapse Prevention CARAT  <b>Alcohol worker Arfon area</b>  <b>Specialist alcohol nurse</b>  <b>Midwifery liaison (North East Trust) One full time/ one part time</b>  <b>Young Persons Substance Misuse Service nurse</b>  YOT – Young Persons Substance Misuse Worker.  <b>Social Worker</b>	0.50  0.50  1.00  4.00  1.00  2.00 1.00 } 0.50 } 0.50  1.00  0.50  0.33  0.50  0.50  1.00

	<b>Children's worker</b>	1.00
	Relapse prevention worker	0.25
CAIS, (Cyngor Alcohol Information Service)	<b>Young Persons Substance Misuse service worker (managed by SMS)</b>	0.50
	Counsellors (drugs and alcohol)	1.00
	Progress to work	1.00
	Supporting People workers	
	DAWN partnership	
	Probation/CJIS specialist group worker	0.50
North Wales Police	Prolific offender officer	0.25
	Drug prevention and chemist inspection officer	0.50
	Community safety team (strategic and partnership liaison)	North Wales wide – partnership contribution
	Police/schools liaison worker	North Wales wide – partnership contribution
North Wales Probation Service	Service/area manager –substance misuse.	North Wales wide – partnership contribution
	Probation officer – DTTO	1.00
	Probation PSO - DTTO	0.50
	Probation Admin	0.25
	Probation contribution to assessments, pre court reporting, group work –drugs/alcohol/drink driving.	North Wales wide – partnership contribution

## **10. How the plan aims to tackle the priorities set by the Welsh Assembly Government**

This section of the plan highlights the detailed action to be pursued during 2005/2008 to achieve the Welsh Assembly Government's four stated aims. Actions requiring additional funding have been prioritised with due regard to the amount of funding likely to be made available.

Within the action plan, actions requiring new funding are highlighted in green.

## GWYNEDD COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP – SUBSTANCE MISUSE ACTION PLAN 2005 – 2008

**Key Aim (i): children, young people and adults**– to help children, young people and adults resist substance misuse in order to achieve their full potential in society, and to promote sensible drinking in the context of a healthy lifestyle

	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned action 2005/2008</b>	<b>Lead agency or person</b>	<b>Timescale(s) review dates monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<b>Approximate cost &amp; funding source</b>
1.	To contribute to the development of a peer education programme for children and young people, which includes substance misuse issues.	a) The establishment of a North Wales Practitioners forum  b) To hold a North Wales Peer education conference in order to encourage and develop peer education programmes	Youth link Wales, Wrexham response, National Public Health Service, and other interested partners.	Conference will be held in 2005  March 2005 – review of partnership members able to deliver peer education locally	2004/5 one off contribution to the development of the forum. £5,000
2.	To deliver a consistent drug and alcohol education strategy within all Gwynedd primary and secondary schools. <sup>1</sup>	a) Implementing the 'All Wales Schools' initiative in all Gwynedd schools:  b) Introducing the elements of the programme that do not need altering  c) Conducting an audit of current provisions within PSE  d) Identify good practice and good provision, and consider how they might fill gaps in the programme  e) Integrate current provisions as and when required	North Wales Police (schools liaison officer) In consultation with SMAT	a) 1 <sup>st</sup> July 04 school liaison police officers were appointed  b) Initial visits conducted during July/August 2004  c) 6 <sup>th</sup> September 04 Programme start – in schools  d) During 04/05 consultation and development of programme, which will be completed by March 05	Welsh Assembly grant and North Wales Police joint funding

		<p>f) Work collaboratively with the LEA and Healthy Schools co-ordinator.</p> <p>g) Develop appropriate, on going training provision for officers.</p>			
3.	To deliver drug and alcohol information and advice to children and young people, outside of the all Wales schools policy. <sup>1</sup>	<p>a) To evaluate the film seminar initiative held in September 2004. Children aged 13/14 years</p> <p>b) To continue to contribute financially to the delivery of the film seminar initiative, dependent on results of evaluation</p> <p>c) To evaluate the Trip-Trap workshop – young people seminar held on 26 of November 2004. 150 year 9/10 Children (aged 13/14 years)</p> <p>d) To continue to contribute financially to the delivery of the workshop or equivalent, dependent on result of evaluation</p> <p>e) To deliver appropriate substance misuse advice and information and a signposting service for young people (11-25 years) in the South Gwynedd area from the information shop in Blaenau Ffestiniog</p>	<p>Dewiswch Chi – You Choose Police NPHS</p> <p>South Gwynedd working group – membership organisations</p> <p>South Gwynedd working group – membership organisations</p>	<p>Evaluation by July 2005</p> <p>Evaluation by September 2005</p> <p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p>	<p>£2,000 contribution from the SMAT budget each year 05/08, dependent on evaluation</p> <p>£5,000 contribution in former years from BSC budget Continuation of the initiative would be dependent on evaluation and success of new bid</p> <p>£27,000 committed from SC fund for 2006 Continuation of the initiative would be dependent on evaluation and success of new bid</p>

		<p>f) To deliver information and advice on substance misuse to children and young people who do not otherwise engage in services, through the Red Cross mobile outreach project</p> <p>g) To continue to deliver the 'Healthy schools' project in line with WAG guidelines and targets.</p>	<p>Red Cross, working in collaboration with statutory youth services and other stakeholders as appropriate</p> <p>Education department, youth services. Healthy schools co-ordinator</p>	<p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p> <p>Ten new schools to be added to the scheme each year, in line with WAG guidelines.</p>	<p>£15,000 committed from SC fund for 2006. Continuation of the initiative would be dependent on evaluation and success of new bid</p>
4.	To Identify examples of good-practice in relation to the implementation of drug and alcohol policies in Gwynedd schools.	<p>a) To build upon the audit of school policies and responsible teachers carried out in 2004/5, by identifying good-practice</p> <p>b) To ensure that all schools have an identified responsible teacher.</p> <p>c) To develop a strategy to disseminate good practice across other schools</p>	<p>Education department and wider SMAT membership</p> <p>Education department and wider SMAT membership</p>	<p>Evaluation of audit to be carried out by September 2005</p> <p>Responsible teachers identified by March 2006</p> <p>Strategy to be developed by January 2006, and disseminated throughout schools by 2008</p>	<p>Existing resources</p> <p>Existing resources</p> <p>Existing resources</p>
5.	To continue to deliver local drug misuse awareness courses to all appropriate workers.	<p>a) Current course to be refined in line with changes in legislation and accreditation needs</p> <p>b) Four courses to be delivered each year – subject to the availability of workers within the partnership able to deliver course</p>		<p>Dates for courses to be set at the start of each financial year</p> <p>March 2005 – review of available staff to deliver training due to staff changes in NPHS and Police, <b>DEPENDENT ON THE OUTCOME</b> Training may have to be commissioned, and delivery of 5a may not be possible unless more funding is identified for this priority</p>	<p>£1,000 per course.  £4,000 SMAP fund 05/06  £4,000 SMAP fund 06/07  £4,000 SMAP fund 07/08</p> <p>Additional two-day course to be run in addition to existing timetabled courses. Additional £5,000 required from SMAP fund annually 2005 –8 for targeted courses –to cover both course cost and locum cover for teachers</p>

5a.	To provide appropriate training in substance misuse awareness for Tier 1 workers.	<p>a) To identify responsible teachers within the Healthy Schools project in Gwynedd schools and arrange for them to attend the two-day drug and alcohol awareness course</p> <p>b) To identify other professional groups within Tier 1 services who would benefit from this course</p>	<p>Education department and wider SMAT membership.</p> <p>Delivery of course by North Wales Police drug prevention officer and NPHS if they are identified as being able to deliver the course post March 05 review.</p>	<p>Teachers to be identified by September 2005, and strategy on delivery of course to be developed by December 2005 – courses delivered over 36 month period</p>	<p>HOWEVER THE TRAINING PROGRAMME IS DEPENDENT ON THE MARCH 2005 REVIEW OF TRAINERS AVAILABLE</p>
6.	To continue to strengthen links with Children services and to work in collaboration in delivering appropriate training on drug and alcohol issues within their services.	<p>a) To build upon links made with children services (training officer) in 2004/2005 in contributing to the delivery of appropriate training</p> <p>b) To build upon links that have developed since children's services has become a member of Gwynedd SMAT<sup>2</sup> particularly in relation to identifying ways in which the Children's services reflect the substance misuse agenda, and identify any gaps</p> <p>c) SMS to contribute to the delivery of substance misuse training for ACPC members in Gwynedd</p> <p>d) To review the working protocols between children's services and the social worker within the SMS<sup>3</sup></p>	<p>Children's services Gwynedd SMAT SMS</p> <p>SMS Gwynedd Children's services, training sub-group</p> <p>SMS Children's services</p>	<p>To fully integrate Children's services agenda into the SMAT agenda by 2007</p> <p>Six monthly review of protocols in line with contract monitoring process</p>	<p>Existing staff resources</p> <p>Existing staff resources</p>

7.	To respond to the hidden harm recommendations, in relation to the children of substance misusers.	<p>a) To establish a link with any strategies within Children's Services in relation to the Hidden Harm agenda.</p> <p>b) To contribute to any such strategies to drive forward the Hidden Harm agenda</p> <p>c) Appointment of a committed worker (children's worker) within SMS to work with the children of substance misusers, with emphasis on diversionary and preventative interventions<sup>5</sup></p> <p>d) Appointment of a Social worker within Tier three services, with particular regard to child protection issues</p>	<p>Gwynedd SMAT Gwynedd Children's Services</p> <p>Gwynedd SMAT Gwynedd Children's Services</p> <p>SMS</p>	<p>SMAT implementation group to analyse local mapping process results and line up with Children's Services agenda by September 2005 Implementation of agreed objectives to be developed into a strategy for delivery by March 2008<sup>4</sup></p> <p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p> <p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p>	<p>£30,000 committed from the SC fund for 2006. Continuation of the initiative would be dependent on evaluation and success of new bid</p> <p>£30,750 SMAP fund 05/06 £31,520 SMAP fund 06/07 £32,310 SMAP fund 07/08</p>
8.	To deliver drug and alcohol advice and information to adults.	<p>a) Appropriate information on substance misuse issues made available upon request from the CAIS counselling service</p> <p>b) Appropriate information on substance misuse issues made available upon request for the SMS</p> <p>c) To contribute to the re-launch of the North Wales drug and alcohol forum website.</p>	<p>CAIS</p> <p>SMS</p> <p>NWDAF co-ordinator Gwynedd SMAT</p>	<p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p> <p>NWDAF website re-launched in April 2005. Co-ordinator in post by September 2005 (dependant on outcome of post review)</p> <p>SMAT co-ordinator trained in website management by September 2005</p>	<p>Gwynedd Council contribution – 2005/6- £10,000. 2006/7- £10,000 2007/8- £10,000</p> <p>CAIS are paid £134,692 annually (2004 figures) across the six counties to provide counselling services.</p>

9.	To review all drug related deaths within the region.	<p>a) To continue to contribute to the North Wales group on DRD</p> <p>b) To develop a link with The North Wales Ambulance service and the SMAT, in relation to maintenance of good practice and drug death reviews</p>	<p>DRD group NWDAF North Wales co-ordinator</p> <p>SMAT co-ordinator</p>	<p>Identify SMAT member by June 2005.</p>	
10.	To provide housing related support for those with substance misuse problems to enable them to live independently.	<p>a) Provision of floating support (5 units Bangor/Caernarfon) for people with substance misuse problems</p> <p>b) Provision of 4 move on units (Bangor) for people with substance misuse problems</p> <p>c) Provision of 4 single units(Bangor) of supported housing for prison leavers – including SM clients</p> <p>d) Provision of 2 single units (Bangor) move on accommodation for prison leavers including SM clients</p> <p>e) To develop a further 8 single units of accommodation for SM clients</p>	<p>Supporting people CAIS</p> <p>Supporting people CAIS</p> <p>Supporting people NACRO</p> <p>Supporting people NACRO</p> <p>Housing department WAG (SPRG) Supporting people TCAC board</p>	<p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>Provision of further 6 units in 05/06 is a priority for the 05/06 Supporting people operational plan.</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>To develop a further 3-4 units of accommodation during 05/06 and a further 4-5 during 06/08, as providers are identified.</p>	<p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>On-going dependent on Continued commitment through SPRG funding</p> <p>Social housing revenue grant allocation for capital investment Revenue identified for three years (WAG) method of administrating not yet developed.</p>

## Additional Information

1. Results of the schools attitudinal survey conducted in 2003/4 by Bangor University to inform delivery of education programmes.
2. Children's services in Gwynedd were affected by the re-structuring process and until July 2004, were without a service manager. There is now Children's Services representation on the SMAT.
3. SMS Clinical Manager became a member of the Area Child Protection Committee – training sub group in 2004.
4. The mapping process was conducted in the main during 2004.
5. Worker in post since April 2004, post profile developing as need is identified.

**Key Aim (ii): families and communities**– to protect families and communities from anti-social and criminal behaviour and health risks related to substance misuse

	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned action 2005/2008</b>	<b>Lead agency or person</b>	<b>Timescale(s) review dates monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<b>Approximate cost &amp; funding source</b>
1.	To develop and implement a 'Wales' model of Throughcare and aftercare services, in order to increase the number of offenders who have substance misuse problems, receiving timely and appropriate treatment and support; and to provide structured aftercare to those leaving treatment (to those aged 18 and over – drug related offenders/treatment only)	<p>a) To contribute to the development of all Wales programme within the shadow regional management board, including the sharing of the results of, the North Wales research with substance misusers</p> <p>b) To implement thereafter</p>	WAG. All North Wales SMATs	To be developed and implemented in line with WAG timetable	Allocation of North Wales monies to be decided by WAG, based on formula
2.	To reduce the number of discarded needle/syringes found in public places.	<p>a) To review current provisions for needle disposal and collection in Gwynedd, and to investigate alternatives</p> <p>b) To develop a protocol for the Council and other appropriate partners, in relation to collecting of discarded needles reported by the public/found by workers</p> <p>c) To investigate the training needs of those involved in the collection/disposal of needles/syringe</p>	<p>Gwynedd SMAT co-ordinator</p> <p>Gwynedd SMAT co-ordinator North Wales Police Appropriate Council departments</p> <p>Gwynedd SMAT Specialist services</p>	<p>Review to be on-going – with reports on progress on an annual basis</p> <p>Proposal to be completed by March 2005</p> <p>Training issues to be identified as an ongoing process 2005/2008</p>	



		c) To deliver the annual Christmas drink/drive campaign strategy within WAG guidelines	Police	and delivery patterns	
6.	To promote sensible drinking.	a) To develop <i>local alcohol initiatives</i> . To explore the viability of local alcohol projects such as 'Nightsafe' and underage drinking initiatives <sup>7</sup> , (arrangements in place for a six-month media campaign of six articles, to run from April 2005)  b) To explore the consequences of the developments in licensing legislation, and the input of partnerships to the process	Members of the Gwynedd SMAT and other identified stakeholders Police  Gwynedd SMAT North Wales Forum	Projects and initiatives to be rolled out during 2005-2008 as applicable  First project – six month media campaign to run from April 2005 – September 2005, in the North Wales Chronicle	£7,000 SMAP fund 05/06 £7,000 SMAP fund 06/07 £7,000 SMAP fund 07/08  To include £5,000 for additional Trading standards activity See availability section, and £2,000 for delivery of a pilot proof of age scheme. Any under spend to be directed towards other alcohol initiatives
7.	To enhance community support services for families and individuals who have substance misuse problems.	a) Additional support worker to assist with providing more social care for those in treatment	Gwynedd SMAT	Dependent on identification of funding – to be a new post (part time) from April 2006 – through the Supporting People programme	£14,000 SMAP fund 06/07 £14,350 SMAP fund 07/08  May not achieve SMAP funding, may however be identified as a Throughcare&Aftercare priority

### **Additional Information**

6. Data on releases into all counties began to be received in June 2004 through links between the prison and the North Wales Co-ordinator.

7. The intention of forming an AAG was first discussed at the Gwynedd SMAT in May 2004 initiatives mentioned may not be suitable for locality – may be replaced by others.

**Key Aim (iii): treatment** – to enable people with substance misuse problems to overcome them and live healthy and fulfilling lives and in the case of offenders, crime free lives

	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned action 2005/2008</b>	<b>Lead agency or person</b>	<b>Timescale(s) review dates monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<b>Approximate cost &amp; funding source</b>
1.	To develop the performance management data collecting process for all service providers, in line with the development of the WAG initiative.	a) To be involved in the consultation process on common data collection	All service providers Gwynedd SMAT WAG		
2.	To implement the unified assessment framework for Wales (for substance misuse).	a) To be involved in the consultation process on the development of the unified assessment tool  b) To implement the UAT for all service providers involved in substance misuse	All service providers Gwynedd SMAT WAG		
3.	To undertake research with substance misusers, both in and out of services, in order to inform service development.	a) Research commissioned with substance misusers in all North Wales counties  b) Continue research agenda periodically in order to track changes in patterns of use and need  c) 2005/8 plans to be open to changes following initial draft, as research findings become available and inform SMAT's on service needs	SMAT chairs SMAT chairs co-ordinator  SMAT chairs  WAG to agree to flexibility	Research conducted in 2004/5   Report expected in December 2004	£4.000 Gwynedd contribution from SMAP fund (2004/5)

3a	To derive from this process, information relating to the use of crack cocaine on a local level in order to inform delivery of treatment on a needs basis.	d) Aligning the information, with other sources of information including the '20 crack cocaine treatment pilots' under the NTA guidelines.	SMAT chairs	Additional research information expected in 2005 from research carried out in Ysbyty Gwynedd A&E including data on drug related and alcohol related overdoses	£1,800 from SMAT fund 2004
4.	To provide appropriate and accessible information on the availability of local services for the community and workforce.	a) Development of a comprehensive directory of services (direct and peripheral) for the public and services. Work to be commissioned, maintained and updated  b) To include within the directory information relating to Private Social landlords (PSL)	Gwynedd SMAT and wider organisational input Gwynedd SMAT coordinator Ynys Môn SMAT coordinator	Directory to be developed and printed during 2005.  2006/7 updated  2007/8 updated	SMAP fund 2005/6 - £4,900 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £2,000 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £2,000  To be jointly funded and commissioned by Gwynedd and Môn SMAT's. First year spend indicative of set-up costs, second and third year costs are for up-dates.  Any slippage from this money to be diverted towards training budget.
5.	To maintain North Wales joint funding initiatives as appropriate for the region.	a) To review all current joint North Wales funded projects, to ensure local needs are being addressed. -  Young persons substance misuse service  Midwifery liaison service  b) To continue to jointly fund projects across North Wales where there is evidence of need and joint commissioning possibilities	SMAT chairs       SMAT chairs	March 2005 – review of all contracts  Six monthly monitoring of all contracts thereafter      To become a standing item on the agenda for the NWSMF	



		and developments of the Throughcare & Aftercare agenda in Wales  d) Continue to provide targeted support through the Transitional Support Scheme (TSS) for prison leavers having served less than 12 months custodial sentence.		Delivery of action plan to be in place by February 2005 P&D panel established 2004	WAG funded.
8.	To provide specialist social worker support for substance misusers, particularly with regard to child protection issues, within tier three services (SMS) With regard also, to the Hidden Harm agenda (see Key aim (i) objective 6)	a) To provide a dedicated social worker within SMS – in place since April 2004  b) To review the working protocols between children's services and the social worker within the SMS	Gwynedd SMAT SMS  Gwynedd SMAT SMS Gwynedd Social Services <sup>8</sup>	Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement  Monitoring of this process to take place at six monthly monitoring periods	SMAP fund 2005/6 - £30,750 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £31,520 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £32,310
9.	To provide open access tier two counselling services for substance misusers (drugs and alcohol).	a) CAIS to provide 1,000 hours of counselling per annum within four locations in Gwynedd  b) Counsellors to be BACP accredited by April 2007  c) Counselling services to work jointly with other services where appropriate	CAIS LHB Gwynedd SMAT  CAIS  CAIS SMS Other appropriate service providers	Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement  April 2007  Six monthly monitoring of service agreement to provide this information	Gwynedd Council contribution – 2005/6- £10,000 2006/7- £10,000 2007/8- £10,000  CAIS are paid £134,692 annually (2004 figures) across the six counties to provide counselling services.
10.	To provide a substance misuse, liaison midwifery service, with the following aims: - To normalise care for expectant mothers with substance misuse problems. To provide training for tier one services in the provision of care for this group.	a) Specialist midwives (one full time/one part time post) to attend monthly training sessions with hospital staff  b) To provide training on child protection awareness and child care/maternal care to – Midwives Health visitors GP's	The North East Wales NHS Trust	Service agreement to be in place by April 2005 six monthly monitoring arrangements and targets to be included	SMAP fund 2005/6 - £11,480 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £11,770 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £12,065

		<p>School of midwifery Social services</p> <p>c) To visit all pregnant women presenting with substance misuse problems post birth, and be involved in their care plan up to three months following child birth</p> <p>d) To carry out child protection reviews on a three month basis</p>			
11.	To provide a dedicated service for young people (under 25yrs) with substance misuse problems, within core tier three service provisions.	<p>a) To evaluate the past 12 months activity of the YPSMS (jointly delivered by CAIS and SMS) in line with the requirements of the service agreement</p> <p>b) To continue to commission the service, dependent on the results of the monitoring process</p>	<p>SMAT chairs</p> <p>Gwynedd SMAT</p>	<p>Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p> <p>Service agreement due for renewal in March 2006</p>	<p>SMS costs. SMAP fund 2005/6 - £26,360 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £27,020 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £27,690</p> <p>CAIS costs. SMAP fund 2005/6 - £18,536 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £18,999 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £19,473</p> <p>Jointly funded with Ynys Mon SMAT</p>
12.	To provide a specialist alcohol treatment service within tier one provision (hospitals).	<p>a) To assess the AUDIT programme pilot scheme running in Ysbyty Gwynedd since 2004/5. Incorporating a specialist alcohol nurse (SMS) worker to deliver - An assessment tool for patients with alcohol misuse related problems. Access to treatment as required. Brief intervention as required</p>	<p>SMS Alcohol steering group</p>	<p>Pilot scheme to be reviewed and monitored through the alcohol steering group on a regular basis</p> <p>Service agreement operational in 2004 for posts, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement</p> <p>Service agreement for alcohol addiction nurse post due for renewal in April 2007</p> <p>Second worker to be commissioned in 2005 to carry on pilot scheme with existing alcohol worker</p>	<p>SMAP fund 2005/6 - £23,625 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £24,200 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £24,805</p> <p>Jointly funded with Ynys Mon SMAT</p>

12a.	To provide a suitable alcohol brief intervention for delivery within a primary care setting.	a) To explore the possibilities of delivering brief intervention (alcohol) to appropriate referrals made from primary care.	To be identified	Pilot scheme within primary care to be established. Service providers to be identified April 2005 to begin scheme as soon as possible thereafter.	SMAP fund 2005/6 - £20,000 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £30,000 SMAP fund 2007/8 - £40,000
13.	To deliver extended hours provision of services.	a) To provide some out of hours services in order to enhance core provision  b) Review of arrest referral/Throughcare and Aftercare and Ysbyty Gwynedd workers in order to possibly provide extended hours cover.	SMS TC&AC	Review to be carried out during 2005 when Throughcare and Aftercare provision is quantifiable  Thereafter to set targets for extended hours provision, dependent on ability to deliver	Dependent on Throughcare & Aftercare (DIP) priorities.
14.	To provide a relapse prevention provision within tier three services.	a) To contribute towards a relapse prevention worker within SMS  b) To evaluate the relationship between the relapse prevention provision/CJIP provision and TSS provision within prisons, in order to avoid duplication	Gwynedd CSP SMAT  SMS Gwynedd SMAT CJIP partners CAIS (TSS)	Service agreement operational in 2004, monitoring dates (6 monthly) and targets built into agreement  Evaluation to be completed during first three months following implementation of the Throughcare& aftercare model for Wales	SMAP fund 2005/6 - £5,125 SMAP fund 2006/7 - £5,255  BSC fund 2005/6 - £5,125 BSC fund 2006/7 - £5,255 Dependent on successful bid to CSP
15.	To deliver specific and targeted intervention/prevention to those groups of children and young people deemed as having substance misuse and mental health (dual diagnosis) issues.	a) To provide an additional dual diagnosis resource for children and young people within Children's services, who have mental health and substance misuse needs, which are not severe enough to warrant CAMHS or YPSMS Intervention.	Children's services Gwynedd	Post to be advertised in March/April 2005, SLA to be operational when post filled.	£40,000 SMAP fund 2005/6 £41,000 SMAP fund 2006/7 £42,000 SMAP fund 2007/8
16.	To ensure continued delivery of core services that are funded through the SMAP fund, by taking account of the Agenda for Change financial implications.	a) To make provisions within the SMAP budget for the implications of the Agenda for Change	Gwynedd SMAP WAG	Budgetary up-lift to be made in March 2005.	£21,840 SMAP fund 2005/6 £22,390 SMAP fund 2006/7 £22,950 SMAP fund 2007/8 (Inflation to be added each year)

		b) To provide a further drop-in session by the SMS in the Meirionydd area.	SMS	Deliverable, if and when an appropriate location is identified for the sessions to take place	This is an indicative figure subject to change as the Agenda for Change uplift becomes clear, any under-spend to be directed towards the training budget
17.	To continue to provide sufficient detoxification resources for those who are deemed as appropriate for the service.	<p>a) To consider the LHB review of the Hafan Wen detox facility, and implement changes as may be required Currently 2 beds available with 2 admission slots per week in Hafan Wen and 2 beds available with 4 admission slots at Ysbyty Gwynedd</p> <p>b) To ensure sufficient facilities for detox are available to Gwynedd residents, whether at Hafan Wen, Ysbyty Gwynedd or in the community</p>	Gwynedd SMAT SMS	Review expected in December 2004 – may thereafter have implications for the plan	Total running costs of Hafan Wen service in 2003/4 was £1,303,771
18.	To provide adequate and appropriate needle/syringe exchange services for people over the age of 17 years.	<p>a) To work with the pharmacy representatives and NPHS to maintain the current number of NSE facilities available (14 pharmacies in Gwynedd)</p> <p>b) To work towards securing a further 1-3 pharmacies to provide NSE, in line with identified need</p> <p>c) To continue to deliver NSE through appropriate SMS</p>	Gwynedd SMAT NPHS Pharmacies SMS	Review of current provision to be on-going process, taking into consideration need to outreach services as WAG targets are rolled out	<p>£2,000 SMAP fund 2005/6</p> <p>£3,000 SMAP fund 2006/7</p> <p>£4,000 SMAP fund 2007/8</p>

		workers, as identified by the national treatment framework guidelines  d) To continue working towards providing further locations for safe disposal within the community for NS			
19.	To maintain rapid access into treatment for all, but particularly those who are deemed in need of fast tracking through the DIP and TC&AC agendas	a) To provide an additional generic substance misuse worker within core services to absorb extra workload resulting from fast track interventions such as POPO and Throughcare and Aftercare	SMS Gwynedd SMAT TC&AC group	To be delivered in 07/08 unless subsequent needs analysis dictates different need	£44,500 SMAP fund 2007/8
20.	To provide an appropriate advocacy service, open to those with co-existing mental health and substance misuse problems.	a) Contribute funding to the mental health advocacy scheme, open to substance misusers	Gwynedd Council Gwynedd SMAT	Annual activity reports received from the service, informing on rates of engagement with alcohol and drug advice delivered	£2,500 SMAT fund annually.
21.	To provide hepatitis care and management strategies for people with substance misuse problems.	a) Testing for Hepatitis C available for SMS.  b) Pre and post counselling for Hepatitis C (positive test) sufferers.  c) Information, support and encouragement offered to all clients to take up Hepatitis B testing at primary care level.	SMS LHB   SMS	Gwynedd SMS also involved in National study for the development of a Hepatitis C management clinical tool (Dry blood spot pilot study)  Gwynedd SMS also involved in local prevalence study for Hepatitis B/C and AIDS (Saliva test pilot)	
22.	To reduce domestic violence related to alcohol misuse.	a) To strengthen links between the SMAT and the Gwynedd domestic violence forum – in order to develop partnership working where appropriate	SMAT CSP	2005	

		b) To develop within the DVF, a strategy for reducing alcohol related domestic violence		Develop strategic group and establish baselines and targets by end of 2005  SMART targets will then be included in the year 2 review	
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***Additional Information***

8. Gwynedd Social Services filled the vacancy for a children's services manager in July 2004, the manager is to be a member of the SMAT.

**Key Aim (iv): availability - to stifle the availability of illegal drugs on our streets and inappropriate availability of other substances**

	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned action 2005/2008</b>	<b>Lead agency or person</b>	<b>Timescale(s) review dates monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<b>Approximate cost &amp; funding source</b>
.	To reduce access to alcohol for those under the legal age limit to purchase.	<p>a) To increase the number of test purchases carried out in relation to alcohol, by 30/40 each year</p> <p>b) To increase the number of test purchases carried out in relation to tobacco and volatile substances, by 10/15 each year</p> <p>c) To identify workers and funding to deliver a proof of age programme for local young people.</p>	<p>Trading standards department, Gwynedd Council Gwynedd SMAT</p> <p>Gwynedd SMAT Police Education department</p>	<p>Delivery of additional number of test purchasing within each 12 month period, specific number will be dependent on availability of volunteers and appropriately qualified staff to carry out operations</p> <p>Any slippage of monies from this objective to be steered towards additional training</p>	<p>SMAP fund 2005/6 -£5,000 SMAP fund 2006/7 -£4,000 SMAP fund 2007/8 -£4,000</p> <p>(Contained within the Alcohol Action Group budget of £7,000)</p> <p>Application for funding to be made to the Safer Communities fund, following review of capacity to deliver</p>
.	To contribute to the reduction of alcohol related crime.	<p>a) To restrict drinking alcohol in public places, increasing the number of orders- currently three – as evidence of need is presented<sup>9</sup></p> <p>b) To have all door supervisors trained and licensed within the Security Industry Authority (SIA) guidelines</p> <p>C) To continue the Pubwatch scheme programme</p>	<p>Gwynedd Council Police</p> <p>SIA Police</p> <p>Police</p>	<p>Three further areas identified for restriction applications in 2005 (Blaenau Ffestiniog/Pwllheli/Porthmadog)</p> <p>Believed that level of applications will be maintained at around 5 per year thereafter (on average)</p> <p>92 applications were made by November 2004 – and 12 had achieved registration</p> <p>Timeframe for achieving complete registration dependent on SIA activity</p>	<p>Approx £1,000 per application to be identified from CSP funding</p>



### ***Additional Information***

9. There are currently three orders to control drinking in public places. Bangor City centre, An area of Caernarfon and an area of Upper Bangor.

**Corporate Aims – Workforce development, commissioning arrangements, communication strategies.**


	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned action 2005/2008</b>	<b>Lead agency or person</b>	<b>Timescale(s) review dates monitoring and Evaluation</b>	<b>Approximate cost &amp; funding source</b>	
1.	The development and delivery of a commissioning strategy/plan.	a) To set up a project that will deliver a commissioning plan for Gwynedd -	Full stakeholder involvement	Agreement to be reached by July 2005  Activities to follow resulting in a project framework by the end of September 2005		
1a	Development of the project framework.	b) Agree on a shared vision and agree priorities  c) Agree personnel and involvement - identify steering and reference groups  d) Agree methodology and project plan  e) Develop a project framework for stakeholders, identify stakeholders that can contribute to the strategy development				
1b	Development of the commissioning strategy.	a) Carry out a needs assessment based on population data  b) Carry out a needs assessment based on service users data  c) Carry out a resource analysis on what is available from each agency  d) Complete the strategy document				Activities to be completed by March 2006  Strategy document to be completed during March – September 2006

2.	To undertake an assessment of local training needs in line with the requirements of DANOS (Drugs and Alcohol National Occupational Standards)	<p>a) Work started in 2004 to identify Wales workforce/ Provide breakdown of each major occupational group/ provide training needs analysis/ make recommendations for workforce developments</p> <p>b) Future planning in terms of training provisions and funding will be dependent on WAG guidance.</p>	<p>Key Consultancy Cranfield University New Link Wales CAIS</p> <p>Gwynedd to be one of the four pilot areas</p>	<p>Workshops to take place in April-June 2005</p> <p>Report on local training needs to be provided by end of 2005</p>	
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***Additional Information***

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**Responsible authorities and their partners agreement  
2005-2008 Substance Misuse Action Plan**

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## Community Safety Partnership profile:

### Community Safety Partnership name

Gwynedd Community Safety Partnership

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North Wales Police.  
North Wales Fire and Rescue Service.  
Welsh Assembly Government  
CAIS - Cyngor Alcohol Information Services.  
Domestic Abuse Forum.  
National Public Health Service.  
Gwynedd Education Department, Gwynedd Council.  
Gwynedd Social Services Department, Gwynedd Council.  
Gwynedd Framework for young people and children.  
North West Wales N H S Trust.  
Gwynedd Local Health Board.  
Mantell Gwynedd – voluntary sector organisation.  
Gwynedd Youth Services.  
Jobcentre plus.  
Gwynedd Community Mental Health Services.  
Gwynedd Housing Department, Gwynedd Council.  
Gwynedd and Ynys Môn Youth Offending Team.

North Wales Housing Association.  
Rowlands Pharmacy group.  
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