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1.0 Aims of Policy

To ensure:

- *Gwent Police has in place a Business Continuity Management process.*
- *That the Business Continuity Management process identifies potential risks, threats, and impacts to the business operations of the organisation, with provision for appropriate measures to prevent or minimise harm or loss.*
- *The process provides a framework for building organisational resilience, with the capability for an effective response that safeguards the ability of the organisation to continue to function in the event of an emergency, and thereby continue to provide key services to the public.*

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2.0 The Legal Basis

The legal basis for this policy is the requirement to maintain a business continuity plan contained in the Civil Contingencies Act 2004.

The legitimate aim of this policy is to ensure that in an emergency, as far as reasonably practicable, we can protect Article 2 Human Rights Act 1998 (right to life).

3.0 Human Rights Certificate of Compliance

The policy has been checked for compliance with the Human Rights Act; with particular reference to the legal basis of its precepts: the legitimacy of its aims; the justification and proportionality of the actions intended by it; that it is the least intrusive and damaging option necessary to achieve the aims; and that it defines the need to document the relevant decision making process's and outcomes of actions.

4.0 Compliance with The Welsh Language Scheme

This policy aims to comply with the organisations Welsh language Scheme in terms of dealing with the Welsh speaking public, impact upon the public image of the organisation and the implementation of the language scheme.

5.0 Risk Assessment and health and safety Considerations

The Gwent Police Service Dynamic Assessment should be applied as necessary. A training package in the use of risk assessment will be provided to all police personnel if requested or required.

6.0 Identification Section

Policy Title: Business Continuity Management

Reference:

ACPO LEAD: ACC

Service Area Owner: Supt. O.S.D.

Department Responsible: Emergency Planning Dept.

Links to other Policies/Procedure: Business Continuity Procedure, Event Planning, Information Security, Data Protection, Health and Safety, Press and Public Relations, Race Equality Scheme, Freedom of Information, Hate Crime, Independent Advisory Group, Critical Incidents, Inclement weather, Part Time Working / Job sharing, Working away from police premises.

Policy Implementation Date: 27th Feb 2007 (Reviewed June 2009)

Summary of any changes: Changed to new format

Policy Review Date: Next review June 2011