



**NOTIFICATION TO ATTEND MEETING OF THE CENTRAL AREA JPC
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, DAME STREET, DUBLIN 2.
ON MONDAY 11 JUNE 2018 AT 10.00 AM**

AGENDA

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MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL AREA JPC MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2018

1 Minutes of Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee meeting held on 11th December 2017

Minutes agreed.

Members praised Gardaí and Council staff for their work during the severe weather alert. They also expressed their gratitude to Dublin Fire Brigade, hotel staff and residents for the safe evacuation of people during the fire at the Metro hotel.

Letter to issue to the Chief Fire Officer on behalf of the Committee.

2 Progress on actions agreed at last meeting

Noted.

3 Presentation by An Garda Síochána

Presentation noted.

Chief Supt. Ward informed the Committee that 89 convictions have occurred since the prescription drugs legislation was enacted.

The 40 new Gardaí will arrive 3rd April and will receive special training in relation to issues unique to the North East Inner City. They will be deployed across the 3 Garda stations in the Division.

Members thanked Chief Supt. Ward and Council officials for a very successful St. Patrick's Day.

Members expressed concern with the length of time the Divisional Community Policing Office takes to issue a response to them. Chief Supt. Ward to investigate the matter and report back to the Committee.

Members expressed concern on the length of time it takes Gardaí in Bridewell Station to call to victims after they report a crime. Chief Supt. Ward to investigate and report back to the Committee.

Cllr Burke asked for figures relating to arrests for intoxication to be made available. Chief Supt. Ward to bring statistics to a future meeting.

4 **Presentation by Michael Stone, Chairperson of the Programme Implementation Board for the North East Inner City Initiative**

Presentation noted.

Members commended the NEIC Programme Office and Task Force for the excellent community engagement and thanked Michael Stone for the presentation and update on matters progressed.

It was noted that the provision of social housing, particularly in the North Wall area is still an issue. It was agreed to request the presence of Dick Shakespeare and the Chief Executive at the next Central Area Committee meeting to address the matter.

5 **Reports a) Policing Forum Report, b) Drugs Task Force Report, c) Community Report**

Reports noted.

6 **Annual Work Plan Updates**

Noted.

7 **A.O.B.**

Noted that future meetings of this Committee will take place at 10am.

Noted that a public meeting of the Central Area JPC has been scheduled for Wednesday 28th March at 7.30pm in the Holy family Parish Centre, Prussia Street.

Actions Agreed

- (i) Letter to issue to Chief Fire Officer re safe evacuation of people from the Metro Hotel fire.
- (ii) Chief Supt. Ward to investigate Divisional Community Policing Office's response time to Councillor queries.
- (iii) Chief Supt. Ward to investigate reports of delays by Gardai from Bridewell in calling to victims after they report a crime.
- (iv) Figures for intoxication arrests to be brought to future meeting.
- (v) Chief Executive and Richard Shakespeare to be invited to next Central Area Committee meeting regarding the provision of social housing in the North Wall area.

Councillor Ray McAdam
Chairperson
Thursday 22 March 2018

Attendance:

Members:

Ray McAdam (Chairperson)
Irene Bent
Ciaran Cuffe
Richard Guiney
Nial Ring

Members:

Janice Boylan
Gaye Fagan
Peter O'Connor
Chief Supt. Sean Ward

Members:

Christy Burke
Mark Fay
Mary Reilly

Officers

Cathy Cassidy
Sandra Walley

Rose Kenny

Karl Mitchell

Apologies:

Mel MacGiobúin

Deputy Maureen O'Sullivan

Non-Members:

Progress on actions agreed at meeting held on 22nd March 2018

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- (ii) Chief Supt. Ward to investigate Divisional Community Policing Office's response time to Councillor queries. **Chief Supt Ward**
- (iii) Chief Supt. Ward to investigate reports of delays by Gardai from Bridewell in calling to victims after they report a crime. **Chief Supt Ward**
- (iv) Figures for intoxication arrests to be brought to future meeting. **Chief Supt Ward**
- (v) Chief Executive and Richard Shakespeare to be invited to next Central Area Committee meeting regarding the provision of social housing in the North Wall area.

Report to Central Area Joint Policing Committee 11th June 2018

Proposal for the extension of Garda CCTV cameras in the North Inner City

The NEIC Programme Implementation Board has approved funding to support the installation of additional CCTV cameras at the locations listed below:

- Ballybough House
- Courtney Place
- Poplar Row
- Charleville Mall
- Mountjoy Square
- Sheriff Street / Laurence Place
- The canal walkway at the rear of the Davin Stand in Croke Park and
- The cycleway route from Sheriff Street to Newcomen Bridge.

These cameras will be directly linked in to Store Street Garda Station. The selected areas are fully supported by An Garda Síochána.

It will require the consideration and approval by the Central Area JPC and in this context I would appreciate if it could be listed for our next meeting and details circulated to all members beforehand.

Chief Superintendent Sean Ward
Dublin Metropolitan Region, North Central Division
26th April 2018

6th June 2018

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Community Impact Assessment

The first stage of assessment with residents is now completed. The second stage which involves triangulation research involving evidence based statistical information from relevant stakeholders is underway. In order to validate views of residents we will undertake structured conversations with Gardaí, DCC staff and other relevant groups such as youth services. This should be completed in time for our next scheduled meeting with steering group on Tuesday 12th June.

C.P.F. Review

Following on from C.P.F. board of management meeting held on 15th February an executive committee is now established.

The remit of the executive board will be wide-ranging with emphasis on implementing recommendations contained within the Brundell review and taking account of recommendations from the Mulvey report. In addition all aspects of C.P.F. activities will include strategic planning, board representation, roles and responsibilities for staff, review of aims and objectives and development of financial and operational governance. Regular reports will be furnished to management board.

Tasks will be assigned to board members in order to facilitate achieving above goals with regular feedback and communication with management board.

Halloween Festival

We have convened a number of meetings with relevant stakeholders in preparation for this year's festival. Establishment of steering committee is nearing completion. Interviews for festival director are now concluded and an appointment has been made. Review of 2017 festival is concluded and available. One of the key recommendations from the review focuses on engagement of children under 10 years, more engagement from local residents and new communities. To that end we intend to establish a number of sub-groups similar to the youth group to engage with above mentioned groups.

Community Activity

We continue to meet regularly with local residents groups. While some groups have indicated that levels of drug dealing have diminished due to Garda activity and other activity such as construction work drug dealing and intimidation remain the main area of concern for residents.

**Peter O'Connor,
North East Inner City Community Policing Forum**

Central Area JPC Sub-Committee Annual Work Plan Updates June 2018

The purpose of developing this Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee Annual Work Plan is to enable focus on policing matters to ensure (a) Community safety (b) Quality of life issues (c) Commitment and capacity to engage with and address the needs of our diverse community/customer base.

Strategic Objective 1: Ensuring Safer Communities				
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
1) Reduce level of anti-social behaviour	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement strategies / structures to prevent opportunities for anti-social behaviour 	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<p>A Unit has been set up in each District to collect and analyse data related to anti-social behaviour/quality of life issues.</p> <p>Such issues are being collected, collated and analysed by Small Area and individual members are given ownership of local problems.</p> <p>This analysis which is unique to the North Central has resulted in significantly changed patrol patterns and deployments due to the new data which is showing a different picture to the analysis of crime data only.</p>

				<p>DCC's Central Area Community Development & Public Domain Offices continue to work closely with the community & Gardaí in implementing actions to mitigate against and prevent anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>The introduction of a dedicated Community Policing mobile patrol car with two full time Garda members in 2017 is a direct response to the needs and requests of the local community. This has already proven to be highly successful. The mobile is tasked by the Divisional Community Policing Office, Store Street Garda Station, focusing on the immediate concerns and issues raised by stakeholders, residents and other customer groups within the community.</p> <p>New structures implemented for processing Section 15 (Housing Act) requests. 764 No. processed in 2017. Breakdown by Policing District Store Street – 130 Mountjoy – 166 Bridewell – 73</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of plan to counteract anti-social behaviour at St. Laurence's Place East 	<p>Other - 395</p> <p>In 2018 to date 70 of 79 requests received have been fully processed.</p> <p>Working Group established. Onsite meetings held and proposals developed. Continuous liaisons are continuing between AGS and DCC. Issues are regularly discussed at monthly meetings</p> <p>The implementation of specific policing plans for Sectors has allowed for a more effective approach to dealing with anti-social behaviour</p> <p>Operation Irene is targeting antisocial and public order hotspots which have been determined by Quality of Life and Pulse analysis.</p> <p>Policing the Parks is continuing for the summer months. Sergeant Dunleavy is currently drafting a Policing Plan to combat these issues in the Blessington Basin.</p> <p>A new neighbourhood watch scheme has been developed in</p>
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				<p>the area of Ormond Quay and Ormond Square. Engagement with Merchants Quay as well as Keven Street Gardai took place to try and coordinate efforts further to alleviate the problem in that area.</p> <p>Targeted overt and covert patrols have taken place as a result of specific operational plans devised to combat the problem in this area. It is constantly being reviewed. This will continue until the issue has been resolved on a long term basis.</p>
2) Reduce drug related issues affecting the community	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	Put operations in place to deal with issues	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<p>Drug searches in Fitzgibbon Street areas (Summer Hill and Ballybough included) Number of searches conducted this year 707 YTD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possession of drugs total 86 YTD • Sale and supply of drugs total 48 YTD • Possession of offensive weapons total 19 YTD

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased enforcement of the Misuse of Drugs Act and focused activity on the sale and supply of Medicines (Tablets) in Dublin 1, with particular emphasis on Summerhill and surrounding areas, Mary's Mansions and surrounding areas, North Wall and surrounding areas. 		<p>Operation Aires is ongoing in the U District involving the Divisional Drugs Unit</p> <p>Drug searches in Street areas:</p> <p>Number of searches conducted this year 2477 YTD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possession of drugs total 156 YTD Sale and supply of drugs total 149 YTD Possession of offensive weapons total 55 YTD <p>Ongoing operations to deal with this matter. Specific operations put in place in Sectors 3, 4 and 5 to deal with low and mid-level street dealing.</p> <p>In addition to this, Operation Pump remains ongoing with high visibility patrols in the known areas where drug dealing is taking place.</p>
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				<p>Bridewell District –</p> <p>Anti-social / Drug Dealing in the Dorset Street Flats - In The Bridewell District Community Policing Unit are launching a strategy of backing up the on-going patrols and overt & covert drug interdiction by calling on all of the residents on an individual basis and interacting regarding their individual problems and perception of issues in the complex. We will bring in community groups such as the MOST project and street football etc. to interact with the young people of the area. Results and outcomes will be reported in due course.</p> <p>Anti-social / Drug Dealing in the Dorset Street Flats - In The Bridewell District Community Policing Unit have launched a strategy to improve the quality of life and general criminality in the area of Dorset St Flats. A number of operations were put in place. These included linking in with JLO from Store Street and Fitzgibbon St and individuals involved in drug dealing who</p>
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				<p>were not resident within the complex. A door to door survey was carried out over a number of weeks where each house was contacted personally by Community policing Gardai. A very positive response was received. Based on this and with regular meetings with the MOST project and DCC a plan of action has been put in place in relation to empowering residents to become involved in a neighbourhood watch group. This is at its infancy but given the positive response from residence it is hoped that this will develop. Arrangements are being made by Community Policing to assist residence within the complex to fix the playground. A number of events will be held in conjunction with Community policing Bridewell and MOST over the summer. It is anticipated that the area will have events running for Halloween. St Marys Place School was included in the Bridewell Sports day for schools. Quarterly meetings are arranged with Most Project, Bradoque, DCC and Bridewell Gardai to monitor progress of</p>
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				this initiative
3) Licensing / off-licence issues	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	Put operations in place to deal with issues arising	An Garda Síochána	<p>Inspection of licensed premises continues.</p> <p>Agreement was secured with off-licences to remain closed until 4pm on St Patricks Day.</p> <p>Further test purchasing operations took place in the Store Street District in the weeks leading up to St Patricks Day. 7 premises were tested. 2 of which failed.</p> <p>C District - Coming into the Summer months and being conscious of the difficulties of street drinking, a number of off licence premises are being inspected in order to ensure that they are acting in accordance and in compliance with Liquor Licensing Laws.</p> <p>U District - Sergeant Dunleavy, has been assigned the liquor licencing profile for the District. He liaises directly with all the on and off licences within the District on a regular basis and has responsibility for the Court Applications for each licensee within the District.</p>

				<p>Test purchasing being planned in association with Irene and Policing the Parks</p> <p>D District - Inspection of Licensed Premises continue over 56 premises inspected in last 6 months. One prosecution this year so far. On the 8th March 2018 a meeting with licensee's facilitated at the Bridewell Garda Station.</p>
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Strategic Objective 2: Enhancing Community Engagement

Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
Effective engagement with communities	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Community Policing Fora Strengthen community development initiatives Engage with young people Engage with older people to address their safety concerns 	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review completed and recommendations implemented. The City Council works closely with and promotes 40 local residents / environmental / youth groups on a continuous basis. 5 new groups were established in 2017. Stoneybatter is continuing with its regular environmental works, monthly clean ups and flower planting. Gardaí met with Central Area Age Friendly Alliance and gave a presentation on Crime Prevention. Small Areas policing endorsed by Kieran Mulvey 2017, to be properly resourced.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build on Small Areas Policing process 		<p>3 Sergeants and 40 Gardaí are currently attached to Small Area policing on a full time basis in the Store Street District.</p> <p>The addition of 40 additional Probationer Gardaí to the Division has allowed for the movement of existing personnel to Community Policing which has led to an increase in pedal cycle and foot patrols in the community.</p> <p>Community Gardaí from the Store Street District organised a boxing tournament for youths under 17 who reside in the NEIC / DMR North Central area. This event took place on the 26th May 2018 in the National Stadium, South Circular Road. Members of 6 Boxing Clubs from the DMR N.C. Division and an additional 2 from the DMR S.C. Division partook in this event. Store Street members also attended training sessions at the clubs in the run up to the event and assisted the trainers. Plans are in place to run additional events in the near future.</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and deploy a restorative practice programme to address community trauma 	<p>An Garda Síochána and key partners</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality of life issues now featuring even more strongly than crime issues and focusing on these issues is having an overall effect on crime. Programme developed and DCC Staff, CPF Staff and other partners trained by Garda Members from D.M.R North Central. <p>There is a strong commitment from all to the Small Areas of Policing Community Policing model. The current strength of personnel permanently attached to Community Policing is 3 Sergeants and 33 Gardai in the U District.</p> <p>The inaugural North Central Garda Youth awards were launched in October 2017 with the cooperation and support of Croke Park along with many local youth and community groups. There was a fantastic response from the community where the judging panel shortlisted 12 nominees who were to receive their awards at a Gala event hosted by Croke Park on Saturday the 9th of</p>
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				<p>December 2017. Following the success of the 2017 awards, the North Central Garda Youth Awards are due to take place on Saturday 17th November 2018 in Croke Park. An information campaign in respect of this year's event has commenced. Garda members have been encouraged to engage with the community with a view to highlighting this initiative and to consider nominations at an early stage.</p> <p>Reassurance beats continue and DCPO to coordinate the attendance of Community Gardaí at all business and resident's meetings held within the District. This information is captured on a new shared repository drive managed and maintained by staff in the DCPO.</p> <p>Emphasis being made on schools programmes with regular visits being made to each school within the Districts over the coming year.</p> <p>A football blitz involving all the schools in the Division was held at St. Vincent's School,</p>
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				<p>Finglas Road which proved to be a huge success. The inaugural Pádraig Moran Trophy was presented to the winning team.</p> <p>Bridewell Station Open day was a huge success in 2017 as well as Garda Fun day which was conducted in conjunction with Primary Schools in the area. Preparations are already underway to ensure that both initiatives are organised for 2018</p> <p>Operation Transformation and the selection of Community Sergeant, Sergeant David Cryan as a leader was a spectacular success in terms of community engagement. Local communities supported him at a number of events in the District. He visited many local schools and attended coordinated walks in Grangegorman where members of the community from Queen St, St Michans, Kirwan Street and Glenbeigh Road attended</p> <p>A number of days of action have taken place this year, 13</p>
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				<p>in total at the following locations since 9th April 2018;</p> <p>Glenbeigh Road HallidaySquare Smithfield Carragh Road Glencar Road Glenmere Road Old Cabra Road Blackhorse Avenue Ormond Quay / Square Dorset Street Flats St. Bricins Viking Place North Circular Road</p> <p>This includes house to house contact with residence distribution of information and checkpoints. Face to face engagement and interaction with members of the community.</p> <p>Bridewell Community clinics are continuing in Prussia Street and Brother Kevin's. It is hoped to have these extended to other locations when the community support vehicle is in operation.</p>
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Strategic Objective 3: Confronting Crime

Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
To keep under review the levels and patterns of crime in the Central Area	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	Build on existing partnerships between Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána in the prevention and reduction of the threat posed by crime and support the victims of crime	An Garda Síochána	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Domestic violence</u> Domestic violence issues now a priority for Gardaí in the North Central. <p>All domestic violence incidents get immediate response by working units and the SAP Garda is then dispatched to address the issues from a longer-term perspective, including continuing safety of individuals and support and assistance with ongoing issues.</p> <p>A database has been developed in the Bridewell District which collates incidents of Domestic Violence over the last three years. This assists in assessing the response and intervention required</p>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Burglaries</u> The dedicated Burglary Unit are operating from Fitzgibbon Street Garda Station and are recording significant successes. All victims of burglary are visited by the SAP Garda with a view to providing support, security, advice and follow-on investigation. There has been a 2% increase in burglary incidents in the DMR NC Division year to date. It should be noted that there has also been a 4% increase in the detection rate in respect of the same time period. A considerable number of business premises have been given advice by the Crime Prevention Officer to assist in the prevention of burglaries. • <u>Victim support</u> All victims are contacted by victim support staff and their issues are addressed and information is provided to them. All victims are visited by the
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				<p>SAP Garda and follow-on investigations are completed and advice provided. Over 65,000 victims have been contacted by the Victims Office in Store Street since 2009.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Case management of offenders</u> Offender management of prolific and young offenders is continuing with the addition of suspected burglars who have now been assigned proactive case managers attached to the Burglary Unit. <p>A full case management review was conducted by Inspector Flanagan resulting in the removal / addition of repeat offenders and the allocation of specific Case Managers where appropriate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Thor consists of pedal cycle patrols that following analysis, target residential areas prone to burglaries.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Hybrid remains ongoing. • Specific Operations are put in place as a result of analysis and monitoring of crime including: Operation Quays, Redline, Spoke, Irene & Parks • Operation Tugboat established targeting crimes against the person, particularly thefts / robberies from the person, phone snatches etc., being coordinated by Inspector Flanagan. Additional personnel drafted in to the Street Crime Unit, Mountjoy to assist. • A bait bike operation, utilising pin mapping is currently in place in the Store Street District. A number of arrests have been made to date.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sergeant Dermot Harrington, Divisional Crime Prevention Officer is liaising with Community Gardai with a view to identifying a number of businesses and public areas where crime prevention stands, manned by local Gardai, would be beneficial. • Bridewell District continues to manage all sex offenders and threats within the district. Monthly reviews are carried out in relation to Case management of Juveniles and Adults to ensure that the individuals are being properly managed. • New Reconstituted Crime Prevention Unit in the Bridewell district since January 2018 have been tasked with combating specific crimes and crime hotspots as determined by local analysis.
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Bridewell District, as of 1.6.18 crime is slightly up compared to 2017, however quality of life issues are down compared to 2017. • Targeting of Dorset Street both covertly and overtly has led to reduction in drug dealing and allied quality of life issues. Further Progress is being made as referred to above. <p>Domestic Violence continues to be a priority with a monthly review of a standalone data base compiled by the Bridewell.</p> <p>A daily review of each domestic incident which occurs is examined at the daily PAF</p>
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Strategic Objective 4: Road Policing

Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
Ensure that major events proceed with minimum disruption to business and movement within the city	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2018	Continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of planned and unplanned events in the Central Area	An Garda Síochána	<p>The Divisional Roads Policing Unit continues to plan and implement effective traffic management operations to facilitate major events whilst keeping the city moving and facilitating business activity. This has been a challenge this year with the increased number of major protests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious injury Collisions – 9 incidents year to date • Drink driving detections – 31 detected incidents year to date <p>St. Patrick's Day passed without incident. Easter events will be managed in a manner similar to last year.</p> <p>A bank holiday weekend Roads Policing Operation was launched on the 16th</p>

				<p>of March 2018 and continued on until the 20th March 2018. An additional bank holiday weekend Roads Policing Operation will take place between the 29th March 2018 and will run until the 2nd April 2018. This operation is to target drink driving, speeding and driving while using a mobile phone. The operation will consist of a number of targeted high visibility checkpoints and patrols.</p> <p>There are a number of upcoming events in the Division, including the Papal visit. All pertinent traffic measures will be put in place to deal with the resulting disruption of traffic. In addition, a traffic plan is put in place to deal with each event in the 3 Arena. The cross city LUAS have come to a conclusion and the newly implemented restrictions are being enforced accordingly. All uniform, plainclothes and Divisional Roads Policing personnel</p>
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				<p>are encouraged to be proactive in respect of Roads Policing and are aware of the organisation's role in this regard.</p> <p>Divisional Road Policing Unit conducting operations within the District targeting road traffic crime and organised criminals. Probationers being drafted to assist with Traffic Operations and to increase their knowledge and awareness of Road Traffic legislation.</p>
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The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled to take place on Monday 17th September at 10 am in Council Chamber, City Hall, Dame Street, Dublin 2.

