



SOUTH EAST AREA
JOINT POLICING SUB-COMMITTEE

**Quarter 1 Update 2017** 



### **Breviate of South East Area JPC Steering Committee**

In accordance with the Joint Policing Committee Guidelines, the breviate of the meeting of the South East Area Joint Policing Steering Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 is set out hereunder.

#### Order

**Actions from December meeting** 

□ Traffic	/parking ou	t side schools :
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**Update:** Garda Síochána following up with relevant schools during in relation the issue of parents parking close to schools for drop up/pick

#### Presentation on Domestic Abuse.

**Update:** Letter sent to DCC Housing SPC regarding the issue of the effectiveness of Barring Orders where a joint tenancy exists,

#### ☐ Halloween

**Update:** Illegal bonfire materials removed from the location in Beech Hill.

#### ☐ Graffiti Awareness

The "Think Don't Tag" Video is set to be launched by the Lord Mayor on 2nd March 2017 at the Mansion House with an outdoor poster campaign using Metro Panels, and cinema screenings for a 6 week period. An Garda Siochana will also assist in rolling out the awareness programme in schools.

- ☐ Crime Statistic Presentation Crime Statistics will be presented at the March meeting
- □ Annual Work Plan

Content of Annual Work Plan 2017 agreed. To follow up in relation to the Prison Service objective with City JPC





Presentations proposed for 2017-
Juvenile Liaison Officer
Care After Prison
Crime Prevention
Local Drugs and Alcohol Task Force
Dublin City Council – South East Area Community Development Team
DCC & AGS – Sport as an effective tool to engage young people at risk of drug misuse into more structured and positive activities
Presentation on the J-ARC, (the Joint Agency response to Crime Initiative) will be made at the March meeting
Anti-social Behaviour in Ringsend Park - discussed.
Drug Injection Centres - discussed
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### **Breviate of Charlemont /Whitefriar Community Safety Forum**

To the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee

In accordance with the Local Policing Fora in Local Drugs Task Force Areas Guidelines, the Breviate of the last meeting of the Charlemont/Whitefriar Community Safety Forum held in York Street Community Centre on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017 is set out hereunder.

#### Order:

<ul><li>Minutes of previous meeti</li></ul>	ng.
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- Advised of reopening of Kevin Street garda Station in September 2017.
- Issues discussed -
- Anti Social Behaviour (graffiti and lack of CCTV) in the Charlemont Street area;
- Remedial works and ongoing maintenance of the Digges Street soccer pitch and liaison with local football club;
- Begging (particularily organised begging at local business premises);
- The impact on residents, DCC staff & Dublin Bikes users from youths congregating at Glovers Court;
- The impact of the potential closure of a local crèche;
- Public lighting on York Street;
- The potential benefit of private security firms & continued issue of Camden Street nightlife the impact on local residents; Suggestion made to approach the businesses of Camden St to advise of challenges faced by residents and local community who must also be respected.
- Proposed sale of Aungier House and the roof garden overlooking the pitch.

Mannix Flynn (Chairperson) 8th February 2017





### **Breviate of Ringsend Irishtown Community Safety Forum**

To the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee

In accordance with the Local Policing Fora in Local Drugs Task Force Areas Guidelines, the Breviate of the meeting of the Ringsend / Irishtown Community Safety Forum held **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 in** Irishtown Stadium is set out hereunder.

#### Order:

- Minutes of previous meeting
- Issues Discussed -

Ringsend Park -

Anti-social behaviour -its detrimental affect on park users and football pitches; CCTV; reporting options;

The Drain – cleaning/maintenance/surface is not a Parks issue;

Theft from parks(seating and cutters); new gardener starting work.

L.E.I.P consultations

#### Attendance:

#### **Community Representatives**

Sueann Moore (RCSF), Peter Dowling (St Pats CYC), Robbie Maguire (RCSF)

#### **Dublin City Council**

Brian Kirk (DCC), Cllr. Dermot Lacey (DCC) Leo Fitzpatrick (Parks), Aidan (Parks) Michael Noonan (Parks)

#### **Apologies**:

Mary Doolin (Community Rep), Teresa Weafer (RDRD), Catherine (Church)

Minutes taken by Sueann Moore





### **HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 1 – COMMUNITY SAFETY**

(An Garda Síochána Policing Plan – Goal 3)

Work together to ensure that people feel safe in their homes and their communities by reducing crime and the fear of crime

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives	Crime Prevention advice tweeted after quarterly meetings (where relevant)  Safety information leaflets circulated to members  Safety information leaflets circulated to all Community/Business Groups in the Area.  Safety initiatives promoted by South East Area Councillors in clinics & newsletters.  List of "Victim Help Groups" promoted by South East Area JPC	South East Area JPC	On going	AGS 'Streetwise' campaign March 2017 AGS Pearse Street activities: 03/03/17: Reporter Brian O'Connell, Radio 1 (Sean O'Rourke Show) attended Pearse St. Station and went on patrol, aired 7/03/17.  09/03/17: Pre-St. Patrick's Festival briefing for all Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Holders, presentation from Crime Prevention Officer.  High Visibility Patrols: 9th, 10th, 16th, 18th, 24th and 25th March, 7pm-9pm, Tara St. DART Station; 8pm— 9pm, LUAS Terminus Stephens Green.  Garda Clinics: 16/3 - St. Patrick's Festival Ceili, 4pm -7pm; 18/3 -Stephens Green SC, 12 – 4pm; Temple Bar Market, 12 – 4pm.  19/3 - Stephens Green SC, 12 – 4pm.  Information on Street Wise Campaign forwarded in soft copy/ digital to the main business groups in DMR South Central for dissemination amongst their stakeholders.

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				Operation Thor continues to be in operation in Donnybrook District. Burglaries and down on this time last year. All burglaries reported subject to Technical Examination and Crime Prevention advice given to victims.  Crime Prevention Advice given to members of the public at Merrion Shopping Centre and other locations throughout the District.		
Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes in the area.	Neighbourhood Watch Stickers, crime prevention advice and booklets distributed through local Neighbourhood Watch meetings	An Garda Síochána	On going	A competition is underway to select additional Gardaí for allocation to the Community Policing Units in the "P" District.  Watch Schemes remain active, Garda support is provided. Community Gardaí continue to interact with their communities and use every opportunity to promote safety awareness.  March 2017 "Streetwise" Crime Prevention and Reduction Campaign has Education / Awareness/Crime Prevention/Enforcement as key objectives, promoting a strong personal safety message in advance of, during and after St. Patrick's Day Festival		

				The availability of crime prevention tips from the Garda Web Site continues and Crime Prevention Literature and stickers are available to communities, Watch schemes from all Garda Stations.  The services of the Divisional Crime Prevention Officer is readily available to victims of crime or, upon request, by any individual or commercial interest.
Continue to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable persons and groups	Continued implementation of the Garda Diversity Strategy, the Garda Older People Strategy & the Safer Communities Campaign Continued engagement with individuals and victim groups. Continued liaison with Family Liaison Groups.	An Garda Síochana	On going	Gardai attached to the Garda Victim Service Office, Crumlin Station, liaise directly with victims of crime to ensure the provision of follow up support services. Investigating Gardai do likewise to ensure victims of crime are kept fully informed.  Victim Support Office now well established at Pearse Street. Call backs to victims of crime are made by investigating members and local community Gardai. Divisional Crime Prevention Sergeant is utilised where appropriate.  Policing strategies take cognisance of Diversity and vulnerable groups in communities. Garda interaction is taking place.  Garda Community Policing Units maintain regular contact with senior citizens via phone, home visits and visits to social events.  Meeting between AGS Pearse Street Crime Victims office and the Crime Victims Helpline on 01/02/2017.

### Work together to promote safe cycling & traffic safety in the city

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timesc ale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Ensure that major events proceed with minimum disruption to business and movement in the city	Continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of planned and unplanned events in the South East Area	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	When planning for major events a key objective is always to minimise disruption for residents & businesses and to ensure free traffic flow.  Ongoing liaison between AGS Pearse Street Events Office /DCC and event organisers including the following major events: City Centre Protests 21/01/2017, City Centre Protests 08/03/2017, St Patricks Festival Weekend. High Profile International Sporting Events took place at AVIVA Stadium and also the RDS. All events risk assessment and collaboration with all stakeholders insured that all events completed without incident.
Work together to promote safe cycling in the city	Road Safety Awareness Programmes held in schools	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	The Fixed Charge Penalty Notice System continues to deal with offending cyclists.  Locations where errant cyclists cause hazards for pedestrians/motorists are targeted to ensure high visibility enforcement of legislation.  "Safe Cycling" is promoted during Garda school visits.  Reflective yellow jackets issued to cyclists to enhance awareness of "safe cycling".  Enforcement of Road Traffic Regulations  Advice given to students at UCD to promote safe cycling and reduce bike theft.

### Create safer and more peaceful local communities by working together to promote public order and reduce anti-social behaviour in the South East Area

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána to continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of Events in the South East Area	An Garda Síochána and South East Area staff involved in the consultation process of all events in the area.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	DCC and AGS Events Sections work closely with other bodies/stakeholders to manage planned and unplanned events in the South East area, to minimise disruption to residential communities and commercial interests, to ensure free traffic flow, to ensure promoters comply with all legislation and guidelines thus ensuring all events are well managed without negative incident.  Information on upcoming events provided to Business groups;  21/22 Feb-Attended Dublin BID meetings 08/03 - Meeting with Temple Bar. 09/03 - Meeting with ON/OFF Licensees.

Continue to implement bye-laws and existing legislation to combat drinking on open spaces and in public places throughout the area	Stringent application by An Garda Síochána is applied where large crowds gather particularly on event days (concerts, matches etc).  Continued liaison with the licensed trade and those involved in the management of the night time economy	An Garda Síochána	On going	Relevant legislation is vigorously enforced to combat alcohol consumption in public places and at events attracting large crowds.  Engagement with stakeholders before events to prevent drinking alcohol in public places.  On/Off Liquor Licensing Premises are regularly inspected to ensure compliance with legislation and are periodically reminded of their obligations to ensure alcohol is sold responsibly.  Applications for late night extensions to sell alcohol are thoroughly vetted to ensure justification.  Extensive Policing Plan implemented over St Patricks Festival weekend and specific Temple Bar Policing Plan.  Public Order Patrols continue to be deployed each Thursday night to Saturday night and selected Sunday evenings 08/03/17 - Meeting with Temple Bar 09/03/17 - Meeting with ON/OFF Licensees.

## HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 2 – CRIME PREVENTION (An Garda Síochána Policing Plan – Goal 3)

To keep under review the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour and the factors underlying and contributing to the levels of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the South East Area

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Reduce property crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies	Crime "hotspots" targeted	An Garda Síochána	On going	"Operation Crossover" continues to be implemented and is designed to provide high visibility operational policing targeting and disrupting criminals.  "Operation Thor", designed to target and disrupt criminals involved in committing burglaries and other forms of criminality, continues and helps identify 'hotspots' for ongoing patrols.  The Divisional "Burglary Response Unit" is performing intensive patrolling of residential communities daily aimed at preventing burglaries and other forms of criminality.  "Garda Days of action" have been implemented and designed to arrest wanted criminals, conduct searches of properties and provide high visibility operational and traffic policing.  The services of An Garda Siochana Analysts are utilised to assist in identifying "crime hot spots" and unfavourable crime trends emerging to facilitate the implementation of an appropriate tactical Garda response.

Identify individual "hot spots" including laneways in the area in the context of antisocial behaviour.	Regular monitoring of "hotspots" including laneways is carried out by the Gardaí and Dublin City Council on an ongoing basis.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	Gardai deal sternly with offenders who engage in anti-social behaviour by way of Prosecution / Adult Caution Scheme / or the Juvenile Diversion Programme.  Mountain Bike patrolling takes place in parks, laneways etc. to prevent the consumption of alcohol in public places.  Dedicated Public Order Patrols continue to be deployed each Thursday/ Friday/ Saturday evening/ night and selected Sunday evenings  Operation PIER continues to be resourced in relation to street level anti social behaviour issues drug use, drug sale, begging, rough sleeping, loitering etc.
The Local Authority & An Garda Síochána to develop ways of local collaboration to reduce incidents of particular crime	Promote the pilot pedal cycle registration scheme which is in operation in the E & D districts in an effort to thwart stolen bikes being circulated and to facilitate the return of "found" bikes to owners by the Gardaí.	An Garda Síochána	On going	The pilot pedal cycle registration scheme is still being evaluated in the "E" District to determine its effectiveness.  Thefts of pedal cycles have decreased by 22% from a Divisional perspective, decreased by 68% in the Rathmines sub district and decreased by 19% in respect of the Sundrive sub district when compared to this time in 2016.  Community Policing Unit continues to deploy 'info bikes' and 'bait bikes' in Pearse Street area.  Crime prevention advice given to students regarding safety of pedal cycles.

To utilise a partnership approach to the removal of graffiti in the South East Area <b>Cont'd</b>	Ongoing liaison between Dublin City Council and the Gardaí.  Evidence provided by Dublin City Council to An Garda Síochána in relation to graffiti incidents where relevant.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	This year, during the first two months, 275 square metres of graffiti was removed by the DCC appointed contractor. Graffiti is removed by individual traders and residents and resident/community groups and business organisations.  The 'Graffiti is a Crime, Think Don't Tag' campaign, in partnership with the AGS, was launched by the Lord Mayor in the Mansion House. A video aimed at young children is being screened in cinemas and a poster campaign is running for 6 weeks.  No reports of graffiti painting were made to Gardai stations at Rathmines or Sundrive Rd in 2017 to date.  All Gardai remain alert to this form of criminality while patrolling.
Elimination of incidents of illegal dumping in the South East Area	Monitoring of litter black spots  Enforcement of relevant legislation	Dublin City Council	On going	From <b>1/1/17 to 13/3/17</b> the South East Area Office received 307 complaints in relation to illegal dumping in the area.  284 complaints have been closed with 23 left open for investigation.

Continue to enforce the Criminal Justice Public Order Act 2011 (Begging Legislation) to combat begging in the area	Continued Garda Enforcement.	An Garda Síochána	On going	All patrolling Gardai are mindful of the public nuisance created by people engaged in begging and are constantly discouraging this behaviour.  Operation PIER continues to be resourced to support regular uniform patrols targeting begging within the core city centre business district and in in relation to street level anti social behaviour issues drug use, drug sale, rough sleeping, loitering etc.  Begging offences will continue to be monitored and legislation strictly enforced.
Provide Estate Management Statistics in relation to anti-social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes	Statistics provided for Quarterly meetings	Dublin City Council	Quarterly	From the period 13/12/16 to 13/3/17, 97 complaints were received.  These are broken down as follows: No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act (drug related) was 7.  No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act (not drug related ) was 19.  No. Other Complaints (nuisance) was 71.  No. of Interviews was 12.  No. of Complaints dealt with by Housing Managers & Project Estate Officers in person or by phone was 38.

# To reduce the levels of anti-social behaviour in public parks, open spaces and on beaches by improving co-ordination between An Garda Síochána, Dublin City Council and community representatives

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Establish regular liaison between An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council to address factors contributing to anti- social behaviour in public parks and open spaces	Regular meetings held between Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	High visibility mountain bike patrols & uniform foot patrols performed in open spaces & public parks to ensure anti-social behaviour curtailed.  Public Order Patrols continue to be deployed each Thursday/ Friday/ Saturday evening/ night and selected Sunday evenings  Community Policing Units continue to liaise with OPW and Park Wardens.  Ongoing liaison with DCC, An Garda Síochána and all stakeholders in an effort to reduce anti-social behaviour in parks. Divisional Crime Prevention Office visited Ringsend Park and carried out an assessment which has been submitted to DCC and discussed at the Ringsend Safety Forum  Extra patrols to prevent and detect the use of vehicles in public parks.

## To work together to provide alternatives to anti-social behaviour for young people (target audience age 10 – 21 years)

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
To support the use of sport as an effective tool in engaging young people at risk of drug misuse into more structured and positive activities	Co-ordinate and implement sustainable sporting programmes for young people of the South East Area	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	The Community Policing Unit and the Juvenile Liaison Officer interact with schools / clubs / parents in an effort to encourage the youth to participate in sporting activities and thus divert them from straying into a criminal path. Mid-night leagues will continue in 2017.  The local Boxing Development Officer is continuing to roll out the 'Startbox Silver' Programme in schools throughout the South East Area. The Silver Programme involves higher intensity sessions and limited contact.
Support the work of the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme, the City of Dublin Youth Services Board, the South East Area Sports Development Officer, National Governing Bodies, School Completion Coordinator, Local Drugs Task Force and Local Community Groups	Identify priority groups through effective communication with the relevant organisations. Implement partnership programmes between the Sports Development Officer and the relevant groups.	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	The Juvenile Liaison Officer implements the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme aimed at supporting juveniles to deviate from a path of crime.  The Garda Schools Programme continues to be implemented by Community Policing Gardai which is aimed at encouraging the young to remain law abiding.  Sport Na n-Óg: This initiative, in conjunction with City Quay National School, takes place on site in the school every Wednesday morning from 9.30am – 10.30am (ongoing until end of school term).  Provincial cricket sessions will continue on Friday nights from 5pm – 9.30pm. These are held in the North County Cricket Club where a number of players from the South East Area are involved. Players are between 10-18 years of age.

To continue to work in partnership with schools, community groups and centres to increase access for young people to sports and recreational facilities in the South East Area.	To provide sports programmes using city council facilities and facilities provided by other organisations. This is achieved by the continuing coordination of partnership programmes in the South East Area.	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council.	On going	The Community Policing Unit / Juvenile Liaison Officer interact with schools, clubs, parents in an effort to encourage the youth in participating in sporting activities.  The Juvenile Liaison Officer implements the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme emphasising the benefits to juveniles of participating in sporting activities and encouraging parents to promote this. The Garda Schools Programme continues to be implemented by Community Policing Gardai.  After-School Sports Drop-in: Every Friday in PARC Recreation Centre from 1.30pm – 2.30pm for local primary school children in the area (ongoing until May).  Transition Year Swimming Programme: This programme, in conjunction with CBS Westland Row, takes place every Tuesday morning in Sports & Fitness Markievicz from 9.30am – 10.30am (ongoing until end of school term).
To liaise with National Government Bodies in coordinating sports programmes .	Regular communication with National Government Bodies	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	This work is continuing throughout the District  The local Rugby Development Officer will be running several primary & secondary school tag rugby blitzes during March.  Spar 5-a-sides: The local Football Development Officer will run 4 days of soccer blitzes for schoolchildren in 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> class from March 27 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> , with an estimated 1,000 kids scheduled to take part.

## HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 3 –PROMOTING THE BENEFITS OF DIVERSITY WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

(Lord Mayors Commission on Anti-Social Behaviour & South East Area JPC)

## To work together to promote the positive benefits of diversity within the community

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Promote Garda Services and the role of the Garda Ethnic Liaison Officers to make migrant communities aware of the Garda Intercultural and Diversity Office to encourage them to report crimes including racist incidents	Support community organisations to help promote good relationships between different communities and to establish links between immigrant communities and the Gardaí and facilitate and promote the appropriate reporting of racist incidents.	An Garda Síochána	On going	The Community Policing Units and Ethnic Liaison Officers interact and engage formally and informally with migrant communities to build relationships and to encourage them to report crimes including racist incidents and to ensure they are familiar with the Garda services available to them.  The services available from the Garda Intercultural and Diversity Office are availed of by local Gardai whenever applicable in their interaction with migrant communities.  Victims of crime, especially victims of "Hate Crime" are encouraged to come forward and report such incidents.  No report of a racist crime was made to the Gardai at either Rathmines or Sundrive Road Stations in 2017 to date.  Further ELO training is planned for early 2017.

## HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 4 - WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA JPC

(South East Area JPC)

To enhance the structure and relationship between the Joint Policing Subcommittee and the Community Safety Fora

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Enhance the structure and relationship between the Joint Policing Subcommittee and the Community Safety Fora  Review & evaluate the effectiveness of JPC and CSF structures with the objective of improving performance.	Quarterly meetings of South East Area JPC Steering Committee to review and evaluate performance of JPC Bi- annual meetings with the Steering Committee and CSF representatives	JPC Steering Committee	Quarterly	No issues formally referred to JPC in Quarter 1 .  Ringsend/Irishtown CSF met on 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2017.  Charlemont Street/ Whitefriar CSF met on 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2017