

# To the Chairperson and Members of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee

September 12<sup>th</sup> 2017

## Assistant Chief Executive's report to Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (JPC)

### Renewal of Dublin City Centre Business Improvement Districts (BID) scheme

At the September City Council meeting members voted to extend the BID scheme under the L.G. (Business Improvement Districts) Act 2006. The new scheme will operate from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 for a further period of five years. Report 258/2017 refers.

#### **Safe City Programme**

At the last meeting, which was held on 11<sup>th</sup> July, reference was made to the Scoping Study carried out on behalf of Dublin City Council for the Safe City Programme on *Sexual Harassment and other forms of sexual violence against women and young girls in public spaces*. It was agreed that an update be given on the recommendations contained within the report and progress achieved to date. The Central Area Office will arrange to have an awareness campaign undertaken, designed to address some of the recommendations. In addition An Garda Síochána will progress a number of recommendations. An update will be provided to the next meeting.

### **Annual Report of the Joint Policing Committees**

Following the adjournment of the September 4<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting, Report 267/2017 was deferred for discussion following the LPT meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Supervised Injecting Facility**

Minister Catherine Byrne is attending today's meeting to address members' queries in respect of the proposed Supervised Injecting Facility (SIF).

#### **Policing Authority**

The Policing Authority's Annual Report 2016 was published on 27th April 2017 and is available on their website.

The Authority held a conference for Chairpersons of the Joint Policing Committees and Chief Executives of Local Authorities on 5<sup>th</sup> July last. The Policing Plan for 2018 was discussed in addition to the different priorities for city and rural JPC's, including cyber crime, organised crime, white collar crime and major incident crime and our readiness for such an event. There was also extensive discussion on Community Policing and the need for it to be properly resourced.

The Policing Authority will continue to hold approximately 11 meetings annually and a minimum of 4 of these will be open to members of the public to attend. The upcoming meeting dates for 2017 are as follows:

September	October	November	December
28 <sup>th</sup> September	26 <sup>th</sup> October	23 <sup>rd</sup> November	18 <sup>th</sup> December
(Meeting in public)		(Meeting in public)	

<sup>\*</sup> Please note these dates are subject to change.

Those wishing to attend the next public meeting of 2017 on September 28<sup>th</sup> are advised to reserve a place on the Policing Authority website 1-2 weeks in advance, at which stage the venue is usually confirmed. Contact details for the Policing Authority are available at:

http://www.policingauthority.ie/website/PA/PolicingAuthorityWeb.nsf/page/Contact-en

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