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## **Breviate of the South Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

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In accordance with standing orders of the Dublin City Council, the Breviate of the meeting of the South Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee held on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021 set out hereunder: -

### **1. Minutes of Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**Order: Agreed**

### **2. South Central Matters**

#### **a) Update on Building Community Resilience – Peter Dorman**

Update since last meeting on the work that has been carried out on the five different strands –

- Supporting the four LPF's and the JPC
- Restorative Practice
- Responding to the street based drug trade.
- Focused on organisers/leaders of crime in the area.
- Focused on connecting with policy.

#### **b) Presentation by Justin O'Brien "Minors and Anti-Social Behaviour in Inchicore".**

The following points of interest were discussed and comment given by the members present

- An integrated approach to tackling the issue of Minors engaged in anti – social behaviour is essential.
- Similar piece of work carried out in Drimnagh after Halloween in 2019.
- It was suggested to pilot a coordinated approach between Drimnagh, Inchicore and Bluebell, as which was recognised in previous meetings, anti-social behaviour tends to be fluid and it tends to move between neighbouring communities - the response to it also needs to be fluid.
- A coordinated approach between the youth groups within the entire area needs to be established.
- Value of education needs to be highlighted to minors in the area.
- There is an opportunity to use some of the existing structures such as strand 3 of Building Community resilience to deal with the issue.
- Drimnagh report to be launched in the next few weeks.

**Action: To establish a sub group to tackle causes and consequences for under age anti-social behaviour in Inchicore, Drimnagh and Bluebell.**

The group should focus on 3 things.

1. Identify the challenges and quantify the problem.
2. Identify the relevant services in the respective areas.
3. Outline how these services could operate with a more integrated, coordinated approach in order tackle the causes and consequences for underage anti-social behaviour.

To ensure the membership is a cross section of the JPC the working group should include a rep from each sector. We should aim for a rep from youth services, LDTF, DCC, Gardaí and the community.

Report back to next JPC.

### **3. Garda Matters**

Garda reports from: -

DMR South Division for Crumlin District & Terenure Sub-District

DMR South Central Division for Kevin Street and Kilmainham Stations

DMR West Division for Ballyfermot Garda Station

**Order: Reports noted.**

**The following issues were raised and a response was given by members of An Garda Síochána present at the meeting: -**

- Both burglaries and robberies are down by a significant percentage.
- Domestic violence continues to be a growing issue of concern.
- Increase in drug related crime – is this in line with other areas in Dublin? What is specifically being done to tackle this issue?
- Public order offences have increased.
- Theft of bicycles need to be addressed –
- Local retail workers need support from AGS in the enforcement of government mandates of mask wearing.
- Staffing levels of AGS
- Increase in car theft.
- Issue around scramblers and quad bikes in the area – what can be put in place now to ensure that an increase in use does not happen around Christmas as it did last year.
- The use of electric scooters by children in the Dublin 12 area.
- The use of Drones in relation to supplying drugs to the prisons in the area.

### **4. Anti-social Behaviour**

Dublin City Council Estate Management Reports from: -

Ballyfermot Area Office

South West Inner City Area Office

**Order: Reports Noted.**

**The following issues were raised and a response was given by members of Dublin City Council officials: -**

- The issue of vicinity clause that enables perpetrators to carry out anti-social behaviour in an area other than where they live.
- Can the JPC as a body make representations to the legislative body in regards to this issue?

**5. Reports from the Local Policing Forums and Local Drugs and Alcohol Task Forces**

Local Policing Forum Reports.

Local Drugs and Alcohol Task Force Reports

**Order: Reports Noted.**

**6. Work Plan Review**

**Order: Noted**

**7. A.O.B.**

- Correspondence
- Next meeting Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021

**Councillor Daithí Doolan**

**Chairperson**

**25<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**Attendance:**

**Deputies**

Deputy Aengus O Snodaigh

**Councillors:**

Councillor Daithí Doolan (Chair) Councillor Máire Devine, Councillor Darragh Moriarty, Councillor Vincent Jackson, Councillor Michael Watters, Councillor Daithí De Roiste.

**Gardaí:**

Chief Superintendent Michael McElgunn,

Chief Superintendent Peter Duff

Superintendent Eddie Carroll

Garda Tony Twomey

Garda Frank Ferry

**Community Representative:**

Joe Donohoe,

Eddie Darcy,

Justin O'Brien

**Local Policing Forum Representatives**

Susie Sergeant, Dublin 12

John Burns, Canals Community

Peter Kavanagh, Ballyfermot

**Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force Representatives**

Sharon Bradley, Dublin 12 Task Force

Clara Geaney, Ballyfermot Task Force

**Officials:**

Mary Taylor, Director of Services, South Central Area

Bruce Phillips, Area Manager, South West Inner City

Kay Noonan-Cork, Acting Area Manager, Ballyfermot / Chapelizod

Tony Smithers, Area Housing Manager, South Central Area Office

John Paul McCabe, Area Housing Manager, Ballyfermot Area Office

**Apologies:**

Councillor Sophie Nicoullaud

Councillor Tina McVeigh

Deputy Joan Collins