

**South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee
Minutes of meeting held online on 9th December 2021**

Attendance:

South East Area Councillors

Cllr. Dermot Lacey (In the Chair)
Cllr. Tara Deacy (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. Kevin Donoghue
Cllr. Patrick McCartan
Cllr. Mary Freehill
Cllr. Pat Dunne
Cllr. Danny Byrne
Cllr. Clare Byrne
Cllr. Deirdre Conroy
Cllr. James Geoghegan

Dublin City Council

Derek Kelly, Director of Services
Brian Hanney, Area Manager
Chris Butler, Housing Area Manager
John Mac Evilly, Area Manager
Leah Johnston, Staff Officer

An Garda Síochána

Chief Superintendent Michael McElgunn
Chief Superintendent Peter Duff
Superintendent Timothy Burke
Superintendent Dermot McKenna

Business/Community

Keri Goodliffe, SICDATF

Oireachtas

Chris Andrews T.D.
Jim O'Callaghan T.D.

Apologies:

Cllr. Claire O'Connor (Chair)
Cllr. Anne Feeney
Dominic Hession, Public Domain Officer
Min. Eamon Ryan TD

Order:

1. Matters Arising
No issues raised.

2. Minutes of September 2021 meeting - Agreed.

3. Presentations:

a. Garda Victim Support Service - postponed till 2022.

b. Crime Statistics -

**DMR South Central by Chief Superintendent Michael McElgunn
DMR South by Superintendent Declan Dunne**

Issues discussed:

- **Burglaries in Terenure /Crumlin/ Sandymount Village**
- **Traffic and Enforcement issues –**
 - Drug and Drink Driving, some links to reopening of night time economies locally.
Side of the road Search/Testing was limited and reduced somewhat due to Covid19 health issues but the use of a new mouth piece means we are now returning to normal testing figures.
- **Members asked for this to be made public information.**
Christmas time Focus has already started.
 - Electric Scooters issues of Helmets, Protective & Visible clothing
While legislation takes time, there is support for scooters but members asked if AGS could add any recommendations.
 - Bus & Cycle lanes also need enforcement.
- **Bike thefts**
- **Recent issues at Irishtown linked to match at Lansdowne Road –**
 - The use of Flares inside the Stadium is a matter for the Event management/security.
 - Felt Irishtown issue not to have been specifically football-related.
 - Use of Public Order units must be proportionate
- **Operation Citizen**
This will be reviewed at end of the year but progress is being made.
Statistics alone are not a yardstick- the feedback on the ground, of an increased sense of safety from businesses, residents, tourists and people travelling to work in the city, is positive.
The boardwalk, bars and late night venues are benefitting from the removal of divisional boundaries under this Operation.
- **Social Housing-** in a time of urgent housing need many units deemed to be lying vacant too long due to lengthy Garda vetting times.

A.O.B

- **AGS and DCC were thanked for all their work together in making Halloween 2020 a success.**
- **Members also reminded that we have 3 vacancies still on the JPC for Business and Community members**