Report No. 225/2016 Report of the Chairperson of the City Joint Policing Committee



# Annual Report of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee on the performance of its functions during 2015

In 2006, Dublin City Council established a Joint Policing Committee and 5 Sub Committees corresponding to its 5 area committees in accordance with the guidelines issued by the then Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform and the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

Section 36 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 provided for the establishment of Joint Policing Committees (JPCs) in each Local Authority administrative area, and as part of the local government structures. In 2006 JPCs were established, initially on a pilot basis, in a number of Local Authorities including Dublin City Council. Joint Policing Committees were subsequently set up in all Local Authorities and, in Dublin City given its scale and size, this consisted of both a Citywide Joint Policing Committee and 5 Area Subcommittees corresponding to the five operational areas of the City Council. Guidelines for the operation of the Joint Policing Committees were introduced by the Department of Justice in 2008, to cover the period 2009 – 2014, the life of the previous City Council.

Arising from a review process of the Joint Policing structure which commenced in 2012, and taking into account the establishment of new Local Government arrangements, revised guidelines for the operation of Joint Policing Committees were approved by the Minister for Justice and Equality in August 2014 and cover the period 2014 – 2019 (Council Report no. 288/2014 refers).

The main purpose of these committees and subcommittees is to provide a forum whereby a Local Authority, the Senior Garda personnel responsible for the policing of that area, with participation from Local Authority members, Oireachtas members and community interests, can consult, discuss and make recommendations on matters affecting the policing of the area.

The Dublin City Joint Policing Committee, at its meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2015, approved the following process in the development of a six-year Strategic Plan and Annual Action Plans for Dublin City:

Three high priority issues for Dublin City six-year (2015-2021) Strategic Plan:

- 1. Community Safety / Confidence Building
- 2. Antisocial Behaviour Housing Estates
- 3. Street Crime

The following action matters will form the basis of annual work plans for each of the six committees:

City J.P.C.: Drugs Misuse Street crime /street issues Community Courts

Dublin South Central	Restorative Justice Estate Management Parks security / Bye-laws
Dublin South East:	Traffic, cycling Burglaries / theft Prison Service
Dublin Central:	Halloween Licensing / off-licences Victim support
Dublin North Central:	Policing / Crime data Business night-time economy Graffiti / dumping
Dublin North West:	C.C.T.V. Youth services Family support

The Joint Policing Committee is required to submit a report to the City Council annually on the performance of its functions during the preceding year. Accordingly, I present the attached report for your consideration.

Councillor Daithí De Róiste Chairperson Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2016

**Report of Dublin City Joint Policing Committee** 5 Meetings of the Dublin City JPC took place in 2015 on February 24<sup>th</sup>, April 28<sup>th</sup>, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, September 29<sup>th</sup> and November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Dublin City JPC Annual Work Plan 2015 Update on meetings held during 2015								
Strategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead Person/Agency	Timescale for action	Action taken			
1. Community Safety	Department of Justice Guidelines Dublin City JPC: Approved process (February 2015) for development of <b>Dublin</b> <b>City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015- 2021) <u>High Priority Issues:</u> 1. Community Safety / confidence- building 2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates 3. Street crime	Drugs Misuse	<ul> <li>Brendan Kenny, Ass. Chief Executive (DCC)</li> <li>Jack Nolan, Asst. Garda Commissioner (AGS)</li> <li>City Joint Policing Committee Chair: Councillor Daithí De Róiste</li> </ul>	Strategic priorities identified – February 2015 Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015	<ul> <li>Drugs: Drugs features on the agenda of both the Dublin City Centre Business Forum (DCCBF) and the High Level Group, who meet every 6 weeks and monthly respectively.</li> <li>High Level Group (see No.2 below for further information on this group) meets monthly to discuss Street Issues, including drugs. Tony Duffin, Ana Liffey Drug Project, attends on occasion to update group on their ongoing work to tackle this issue.</li> <li>2 recent initiatives are as follows: <u>"Sharp bins"</u>: In January 2016 Dublin City Council placed specially-designed syringe disposal bins in two locations close to the city centre as part of an innovative pilot scheme to facilitate the safe disposal of needles. This pilot is understood to be the only such outdoor scheme in the UK and Ireland</li> </ul>			

			Media coverage has also been positive and supportive with online surveys
			carried out backing this up, indicating
			that respondents are overwhelming
			supportive of the initiative.
			The bins are monitored on a daily
			basis and have not been vandalised
			and, while not publishing their
			location, Ana Liffey Drug Project and
			Merchants Quay Ireland are running
			an information campaign so that
			people who inject drugs publicly will
			be aware of their locations and
			therefore have an opportunity to
			dispose of their paraphernalia.
			Significantly, Dublin City Council has
			been contacted by other local
			authorities and two private property
			owners in Dublin interested in
			installing the bins in laneways behind
			their premises.
			Supervised Injecting Facilities: In its
			2012 publication the Strategic
			Response Group (a group which
			included representatives of Dublin
			City Council; An Garda Síochána;
			statutory drug services; voluntary drug
			services; business reps; and drug user
			reps) identified Supervised Injecting
			Facilities as an option:
			"There is a group of problematic
			intravenous drug users who may
			continue to engage in unsafe injecting
			practices, possibly in public places,
			which can contribute to anti-social

				behaviour, such as the unsafe disposal of needles and drug paraphernalia. International approaches to such problems include the establishment of medically supervised injecting centres" A better city for all: a partnership approach to address public substance misuse and perceived anti-social behaviour in Dublin city centre. (2012) Dublin: Strategic Response Group. www.drugsandalcohol.ie/17769 In the intervening years, and with the support of many stakeholders, this research finding was built upon; and on 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2015 the Irish government decided to legislate for Supervised Injecting Facilities. The Cabinet signed off on the decision to proceed with a new Head of Bill which when enacted will allow for the existence of Supervised Injecting Facilities.
2.	Anti-social Behaviour	Address street crime/ issues	Brendan Kenny, Assistant Chief Executive (DCC) High Level Group – Members comprise Dublin City Council, An Garda Síochána, Health Service Executive (HSE) & Dublin Homeless Executive	<b>High Level Group</b> : This was established in early 2014 and its membership comprises the Assistant Chief Executive (Dublin City Council), Assistant Garda Commissioner Jack Nolan (An Garda Síochána), Head of Drug Addiction Services, Noel Murphy (Health Service Executive, replaced Thomas O'Brien in January 2016) and Head of the Dublin Homeless Executive (Karl Mitchell).

			Tama Duffin Disastan Ana Liffan Dava
			Tony Duffin, Director, Ana Liffey Drug
			Project, attends these meetings on
			occasion when so requested.
			The group meets on a monthly basis
			and its role is to co-ordinate the
			activities of the various key agencies
			on issues relating to problems on the
			streets of Dublin City Centre including,
			drugs, anti-social behaviour, crime,
			begging, homelessness etc.
			One of the initiatives of the Ana Liffey
			Drug Project has been to introduce
			- · · ·
			"Sharp Bins" in the public domain to
			facilitate safe disposal of needles (see
			update above)
			Injection Centres: See above
			Garda Resources: Recruitment drive
			currently underway with additional
			gardaí recently deployed to majority
			of Garda Stations in the DMR district.
			Begging: Begging continues to be an
			issue, although the problem has
			lessened in recent years. Begging only
			constitutes an offence where it is
			carried out in an aggressive manner
			and offender refuses to move when
			requested by the Gardaí to do so.
			Brendan Kenny engaged Ana Liffey
			Drug Project (ALDP) to conduct a
			study on Begging; findings will be
			made available in the coming months.

			<u>Street Drinking</u> : Topic discussed on an ongoing basis with members of AGS & Business/Community Reps at JPC, High Level Group and Dublin City Centre Business Forum meetings. Public Campaign deterring on-street drinking ran in March 2016 for a two-week period.
			<u>Graffiti:</u> This continues to be a problem citywide. Following a presentation by larnród Éireann to the City JPC meeting, a follow-up meeting was scheduled with An Garda Síochána (AGS) to discuss the issue at which Gardaí from Dunlaoghaire/Rathdown gave a presentation on how they are tackling
			the issue. In addition both Councils are linking in with AGS via a database where offenders are targeted and identified. AGS currently making arrangements to introduce the subject of graffiti into their existing schools programmes to highlight both the extent of the problem and associated
			costs of its removal, with children at school-going age being the primary target age group. South East Area Office is working on an initiative to highlight awareness of this, which it is intended to roll out citywide in the near future.

# Antisocial Behaviour on Luas (Red *Line):* Presentation given by Luas Cross City to November 2015 meeting. Halloween: Report presented to November 2015 meeting by Waste Management. Members feel that preparations for the Halloween Event should commence in March/April annually going forward and a commitment was given that Waste Management would take this suggestion on board. Estate Management Housing Department official updated the Committee on the implications of the new Housing Act 2014 in terms of estate management, dealing with antisocial behaviour, securing evictions in The Courts etc. <u>Quad Bikes</u>: Issue raised on a number of occasions at meetings; An Garda Síochána (AGS) confirmed this issue will be incorporated into their 2016 Policing Plan.

3.	Street	Community	Dublin City Business Association
	Crime/Issues	Courts	(DCBA) has been actively pursuing this
			issue since 2004. Minister for Justice
			& Law Reform contacted in Summer
			2015 confirming the City JPC's support
			for this initiative and indicating Dublin
			City Council's willingness to act as a
			pilot for the scheme. David Brennan
			(Chair of DCBA & City JPC Member)
			subsequently had a meeting with the
			advisor to the Minister in Autumn
			2015 regarding the proposal to trial
			the Community Court system as a way
			of dealing with low-level crime in a
			speedy manner. A working group was
			established by the Department and,
			while the D.C.B.A. welcomes this
			development, it has yet to be invited
			to participate in meetings of this
			group. A written report was
			subsequently forwarded to the
			Minister and a decision is awaited.

#### **Dublin City Joint Policing Committee Membership**

- Councillors: Daithí De Róiste (Chair), Larry O'Toole (Vice-chair), An tArdmheára Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Noeleen Reilly, Gary Gannon, Kieran Binchy, Brendan Carr, Áine Clancy, Daithí Doolan, Teresa Keegan, Dermot Lacey, Ray McAdam, Paul McAuliffe & Cieran Perry
- T.D.'s & Senators: Maureen O'Sullivan T.D., Catherine Byrne T.D., Eric Byrne T.D., Joe Costello T.D., Aengus Ó Snodaigh T.D. & Michael Conaghan T.D.
- Community / Business Representatives: Peter O'Connor, David Brennan, Joe Donoghue, Tony Duffin, Zéphyrin Ngaliema Mukoko & Gerry Byrne
- Dublin City Council: Brendan Kenny (Assistant Chief Executive) & Dick Brady (Assistant City Manager)
- Garda Officials Assistant Commissioner Jack Nolan & Chief Superintendent Frank Clerkin

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

5 meetings were held on the following dates: 24<sup>th</sup> February, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 29<sup>th</sup> September & 8<sup>th</sup> November.

	Update on meetings held during 2015									
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		Annual Work Plans (Action Matters for North Central Area JPC listed to the left)								

2.	Antisocial	As above	Licensing / Off-	Ongoing	Inspection of licensed premises
	Behaviour –		licences		ongoing
	Housing				
	Estates				Operations put in place to deal with
					issues as they arise e.g. St. Patrick's
				Onesine	Day
				Ongoing	
3.	Street Crime		Victim support		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 SAP Garda
					and follow-on investigations are
					completed and advice provided.

#### Central Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

- Councillors: Ray McAdam (Chair), Janice Boylan (Vice Chair), An tArdmheára Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Nial Ring, Eilis Ryan, Jonathan Dowdall, Ciaran Cuffe, Gary Gannon, Christy Burke
- T.D.'s & Senators: Maureen O'Sullivan T.D., Joe Costello T.D., Mary Lou McDonald T.D. & Paschal Donohoe T.D.
- Community / Business Representatives: Richard Guiney Angela Rutledge, Regina Dunne, Irene Bent, Mary Reilly, Mark Fay, Geraldine Comerford, North Wall CDP (Mark and Geraldine attend alternate meetings)
- Dublin City Council: Rose Kenny (Area Manager) and Eileen Gleeson (Senior Executive Officer), Dublin City Council
- Garda Officials Chief Superintendent Pat Leahy and Superintendent Kevin Gralton / Superintendent Gerard Donnelly / Superintendent Kevin Gralton

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

3 meetings were held on the following dates: 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 22<sup>nd</sup> June and 28<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

#### Public meetings held during 2015

A public information meeting was held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015

#### Local Community Policing Fora meetings held during 2015

Store Street	<u>Mountjoy/Fitzgibbon</u>	<u>Bridewell</u>
5 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2015
11 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	9 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2015
1 <sup>st</sup> October 2015	29 <sup>th</sup> September 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2015

	North West Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2015 Update on meetings held during 2015									
	ategic jectives	Origin		Sub Group	Timescale for action	Action taken				
1.	Community safety / Confidence building	Department of Justice Guidelines Dublin City JPC: Approved process (February 2015) for development of <b>Dublin</b> <b>City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015- 2021) <u>High Priority Issues:</u> 1. Community Safety / confidence- building 2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates 3. Street crime Annual Work Plans (Action Matters for North Central Area JPC listed to the left)	C.C.T.V. Establish sub-group to prepare the Terms of Reference for a review of the policies, standards and processes associated with the provision of CCTV across the city.	Mary Taylor/Dublin City Council Insp. John Burke/ An Garda Síochána Theresa Lydon/Community Rep Councillor Noel Rock Councillor David Costello Frank Murphy/Community Rep Councillor Emma Murphy Councillor Emma Murphy Councillor Cieran Perry Richie Stafford/ Finglas Cabra LDTF Marian Finglas – /Dublin City Council Sgt. Aidan Flanagan/ An Garda Siochana Ger Scott- Finglas Youth Service Bernie Kelly /Cabra for Youth Christine Lodge/BRYR Fran McVeigh/ Poppintree for Youth.	Work commenced in Q4 2015 Work commenced in Q4 2015	C.C.T.V – Name of objective changed to C.C.T.V in the Public Domain. Well attended Inaugural meeting of subgroups held in September 2015. Work ongoing. Reporting to JPC Sub Committee at quarterly meetings.				

2	Antisocial Behaviour – Housing Estates	As above	Youth Services Establish sub-group to review Youth Services in the NWA:			The Subgroup met on 2/2/2016. The group have engaged with the services of Dublin North West Partnership to compile relevant demographic data to assist in achieving their actions. Quarterly reports due to the JPC Sub Committee
3	Street Crime	As above	<ul> <li>to identify best practices which have the</li> </ul>	Tony Byrne/ Community Rep Councillor Teresa Keegan Brian Wood/ Barnardos Sara Maxwell/HSE Sandra Dillon /FSN Grainne Sullivan / TUSLA Larry Dooley /Dublin City Council Michael Noble / Mental Health Ireland Paul Downey –/DCU Malachy Buckeridge /Dublin NW	Work commenced in Q4 2015	Name of objective changed to Family Mental Health Support. The group have met regularly and with the help of Survey Monkey they are compiling information to assist in their actions. Quarterly reports due to the JPC Sub Committee.
				Partnership		

#### North West Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

- Councillors: Aine Clancy, Andrew Keegan, An tArdmheára Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Anthony Connaghan, Brendan Carr, Cathleen Carney-Boud, Cieran Perry, David Costello, Emma Murphy, Noel Rock, Noeleen Reilly, Paul McAuliffe, Seamus McGrattan, Teresa Keegan & Andrew Montague
- T.D.'s & Senators: Roísín Shortall T.D., Dessie Ellis T.D. & John Lyons T.D.
- Community / Business Representatives: Teresa Lydon, Robert Murphy, Tony Byrne, John Redmond, Anthony O'Reilly & Francis Murphy
- Dublin City Council: Dave Dinnigan (Area Manager) and Aidan Maher (Assistant Area Manager), Dublin City Council
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Finbarr O'Brien and Pat Clavin

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

4 meetings were held on the following dates: 9<sup>th</sup> March, 8<sup>th</sup> June, 14<sup>th</sup> September and 14<sup>th</sup> December, including one Special Meeting to address concerns over the Abigail Centre on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2015.

## List of Drug Task Force Meetings, Local Policing Fora and Park Management Committee Meetings in the South Central Area for 2015

#### Safety Fora Meetings

Name	No. of Meetings
Cabra	7 (inc. 1 special meeting)
Ballymun	7
Drumcondra / Glasnevin	4
Finglas East	3
Finglas West	3
Finglas South	3
Finglas East, West & South	1

#### **Public Meetings**

Name	No. of Meetings
Cabra	2

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2.	Antisocial	Estate	Estate Management reports given
	Behaviour –	Management	at the January, April, July and
	Housing		November JPC Meetings.
	Estates		
			A Presentation on the Housing
			(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act
			2014, (Termination of Local
			Authority Tenancies) was given to
			the Members at the January JPC
			Meeting. The Area Manager gave a
			further update on the changes at
			the April JPC Meeting: -
			• S.I. 121 of 2015: Housing
			(Miscellaneous Provisions) Act
			2014 (Commencement of Certain
			Provisions) Order 2015
			• S.I. 122 of 2015: Housing
			(Local Authority Tenancy
			Warnings) Regulations 2015
			The above statutory instruments
			made by the Minister for
			Environment, Community & Local
			Government to strength Local
			Authorities ability to effectively
			manage their housing stock for the
			benefit of all their tenants by
			expanding existing powers to
			counter anti-social behaviour and
			to deal with repossession of
			dwellings by commencing major
			provisions under Part 2 of the
			Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions)
			Act 2014. Members noted Section
			S.I. 121 and Section S.I. 122 of
			2015 came into operation on 13 <sup>th</sup>
			April, 2015.

3.	Street Crime	Parks security	At the <b>January meeting</b> of the SC
		/ Bye-laws	JPC Meeting the members
			requested a letter to the Minister
			for Justice and Equality to request
			a second reading of the <b>Misuse of</b>
			Motor Vehicles (Public Spaces) Bill
			2012:- The Minister for Justice
			referred the letter to the Minister
			for Environment, Community and
			Local Gov. for consideration.
			A response was received from the
			Minister's Private Secretary stating
			that it is a matter for the member
			of the Oireachtas who is
			sponsoring the Bill in question to
			arrange for its introduction into
			the Dáil.
			At the <b>November meeting</b> the
			members agreed to set up a Parks
			Security Sub-Committee to deal
			with issues in South Central Parks
			and in particular the use/misuse of
			quad bikes/scramblers. This is a
			pilot scheme to be reviewed after
			one year. The first meeting was
			held in January 2016 and renamed
			the "Parks Health & Safety Sub
			Committee". The Chairperson is
			Ray McHugh and Vice Chair is Cllr
			Brid Smith. The issues under
			discussion are:-
			Control of the use of quad
			bikes/scramblers
			Education/training
			Parental accountability

		<ul> <li>Possibility of setting up a club</li> <li>Securing a site for safe and secure use for quad bikes/scramblers</li> <li>Negative effect to DCC parks as well as financial cost</li> </ul>
		Meetings are monthly for the first 6 months.

#### South Central Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

- Councillors: Daithí De Róiste, Pat Dunne, An tArdmheára Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Daithí Doolan, Paul Hand, Vincent Jackson, Greg Kelly, Catherine Ardagh, Rebecca Moynihan, Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Tina MacVeigh, Ray McHugh and Bríd Smith
- T.D.'s & Senators: Catherine Byrne T.D., Joan Collins T.D., Eric Byrne T.D., Michael Conaghan T.D. & Aengus Ó Snódaigh T.D.
- Community / Business Representatives: Aoife Carragher, Antoinette Curley, Joyce Reid, Bláthnaid Dunne, Vincent Hibbert and Joe Donohoe
- Dublin City Council: Bruce Phillips, Area Manager
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Orla McPartlin, Frank Clerkin and Patrick Clavin

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

4 meetings were held on the following dates: 30<sup>th</sup> January, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 31<sup>st</sup> July and 20<sup>th</sup> November

## List of Drug Task Force Meetings, Local Policing Fora and Park Management Committee Meetings in the South Central Area for 2015

#### Drugs Task Force Meetings for 2015

Name	No. of Meetings
Canal Communities Drug Task Force	12
Dublin 12 Drugs Task Force	6
Ballyfermot Drugs Task Force	10

# Local Policing Forum Meetings for 2015

Name	No. of Ordinary Meetings	No. of Public Meetings
Canal Communities LPF	12	4
SWIC (South West Inner City) LPF	2	2
Dublin 12 LPF	4	3
Ballyfermot/Chapelizod LPF	4	4

# List of Community Safety Groups

Name	No. of Meetings
Bluebell Community Safety Group	12
Dolphin Community Safety Group	12
Tyrone Community Safety Group	12
Inchicore Community Safety Group	12
Herberton Safe & Sustainable Group	12
St. Teresa's Gardens Safe & Sustainable Group	11

# Park Management Committees

Name	No. of Meetings
Brickfield Park Management Committee	3
Markievicz / Le Fanu / Calfornia Hills Park Management Committee	5

# Others

Name	No. of Meetings
Cherry Orchard Restorative Forum	12
Cold Weather Response Initiative	12

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2	Antisocial	As above	Business	Target report to April or July 2016
	Behaviour –		night-time	JPC Sub Committee
	Housing		economy	
	Estates			
3	Street	As above	Graffiti /	Report presented and adapted at
	Crime		dumping	January 2016 JPC Sub-Committee
				Lessons learnt and
				recommendation set out in
				appendix.

## North Central Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

- Councillors: Paddy Bourke, Tom Brabazon, Declan Flanagan, Alison Gilliland, Sean Haughey, Jane Horgan-Jones, John Lyons, Michéal MacDonncha, Denise Mitchell, Michael O'Brien, Damian O'Farrell, Ciarán O'Moore, Naoise Ó Muirí and Larry O'Toole
- T.D.'s & Senators: Tommy Broughan T.D., Richard Bruton T.D., Terence Flanagan T.D., Seán Kenny T.D., Finian McGrath T.D., Aodhán O'Riordáin T.D. & Senator Averil Power
- Community / Business Representatives: Deirdre Tobin and Noel Magee,
- Dublin City Council: Dave Dinnigan, Area Manager
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendent Finbarr O'Brien & Joe O'Connor

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

4 meetings were held on the following dates: 9<sup>th</sup> February, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 20<sup>th</sup> July and 19<sup>th</sup> October

## List of Drug Task Force Meetings, Local Policing Fora, Safety Fora meetings etc.

#### Safety Fora held in 2015

Name	No. of Meetings
Donaghmede Safety Forum	5
Edenmore Safety Forum	6

#### List of Community Safety Groups

Name	No. of Meetings
Safer Belcamp Darndale Moatview	6
Safer Belmayne Clongriffin	6

#### Others

- In Dublin, North East Drugs Task Force is a member and contributor to Safer Belcamp Darndale Moatview. General topics included: Environment, Waste management, Development, Garda statistics, updates advice and local community events and achievements.
- There were meetings every 4-6 weeks of the Darndale Park Renewal Group which includes local groups and clubs, residents, DCC and Garda personnel. It concerns plans to increase park usage and addressing anti-social behaviour. It reports to the NCA JPC Sub Committee and to Safer Belcamp Darndale Moatview.
- There were also reports to the Sub Committee and local forum on the illegal trespass at Belcamp Lane and the consequences for local residents.

# APPENDIX

# North Central Area Graffiti Review

#### Lessons learnt and insights for policy and resource allocation: responses to graffiti

Based on the City Council's typical experience and research in other jurisdictions, responses seeking a reduction or an elimination of graffiti are set out.

Response	How it works	Works best if	Considerations
Detect graffiti rapidly and routinely	Permits rapid removal	Locations are regularly monitored	Requires Council commitments and resources and should involve community as first line detectors
Remove graffiti rapidly	Reduces the visibility of graffiti and thwarts the offenders main objective	Removal is very quick and consistent	Removal has a financial and staff cost.

# **Reducing incentives to offenders**

# Improving the likelihood of detection

Response	How it works	Works best if	Considerations
Increase the natural	Increases the risk of	Graffiti occurs in low	Efforts to improve
observation of a	detection	visibility locations	lighting, reduce
graffiti prone location.			shrubbery and improve
			sight lines are effective
			if the spot is not
			isolated for long
			durations
Increasing CCTV and	Increases the risk of	Offenders are	Can be cost effective
electronic security	detection	targeting large	and information
		surfaces or prominent	gained can assist
		locations	investigations
Conducting publicity	Increase the risk of	Information is well	May contribute to an
and media initiatives	detection	distributed and risk of	increase in reporting
		detection increases	and extend deterrence

# Increase the difficulty of offending

Response	How it works	Works best if	Considerations
Vandal-proofing graffiti	Increases the difficulty	There are chronic	Can be costly if applied
prone locations.	of applying( may also	graffiti locations	reactively; offenders
For example : surface	decrease graffiti		may be displaced; may
spray to allow wash off	visibility) and some		stimulate and
with water, grooved or	methods/liquids to		challenge offenders
slanted surfaces	facilitate easy removal		
Restricting access to	Make it difficult to	The property	Could be expensive but
graffiti –prone	access or vandalise	owner/management	very effective; may
locations	property	will support design	best be incorporated
		changes	into design and
			constructions.

	South East Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2015 Update on meetings held during 2015							
	ategic jectives	Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead Person/Agency	Timescale for action	Action taken		
1.	Community safety / Confidence building	Department of Justice Guidelines Dublin City JPC: Approved process (February 2015) for development of <b>Dublin</b> <b>City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015- 2021) <u>High Priority Issues:</u> 4. Community Safety / confidence- building 5. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates 6. Street crime Annual Work Plans (Action Matters for South East Area JPC listed to the left)	Traffic / cycling	Area Manager: Rose Kenny Garda Representatives: Chief Superintendent Francis Clerkin and Chief Superintendent Orla McPartlin Chair: Councillor Mannix Flynn	Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015	The South East Area JPC continued to work together to promote safe cycling in the cityFixed Charge Penalty Notice: New Fixed Charge Notice System for Cyclists introduced in August 2015.Education: Garda Schools programme & traffic policing initiatives promoted safe cycling.Road Safety Equipment: Distribution of RSA Road Safety equipmentOperations: A number of operations mounted in E District to detect incidences of pedal cycle offences.The South East Area JPC continued to work together to promote traffic safety in the cityEvents:An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council worked in partnership with other statutory bodies to ensure that major events proceeded with minimum disruption to business and movement in the city.Road Safety: Divisional Traffic Units operate from Terenure and Pearse Street Garda Stations. The objective of the Units is to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries on our roads arising from traffic collisions and to create a culture of compliance by motorists and pedestrians with road traffic legislation. The road traffic operations designed on specific objectives that took place in 2015 consisted of the following:- Operation Mobile Phone, Operation Bank Holiday, Operation Mobile Phone, Operation		

Learner / Permit, Operation Slowdown, Operation Motorcyclist, Tispol Operations - Seatbelt / Speed / Truck / Bus / Commercial Vehicle / Alcohol / Drugs, Operation Pedestrian / Pedal Cycle, Operation Taxi / P.S.V., Operation Surround, Operation Slowdown, Operation School Bus, Operation Focus, Summer Enforcement Campaign, Safer Roads for Dublin, Christmas Enforcement Campaign, Implementation of routine M.A.T. Checkpoints. In DMR South Central Division there is currently an operation involving 'rickshaws' particularly in the Pearse Street District.

#### **Outcomes:**

#### **DMR South Central Division**

68 arrests for driving whilst intoxicated in 2015 in comparison to 66 for the same period in 2014, an increase of 3%. No Fatal Road Traffic Accidents recorded in 2015

#### **DMR South Division**

#### **Terenure District**

36 arrests for driving whilst intoxicated in 2015 in comparison to 54 for the same period in 2014, a decrease of 33%. 1 Fatal Road Traffic Accidents recorded in 2015

#### Sundrive Road Sub-District

12 arrests for driving whilst intoxicated in 2015 in comparison to 25 for the same period in 2014, a decrease of 52%. No Fatal Road Traffic Accidents recorded in 2015

2.	Antisocial	Burglaries	An Garda Síochána and Dublin Ci	ty Council
۷.	Behaviour –	/ theft	worked to develop ways of local c	
	Housing	/ there	to reduce incidents of particular c	
			to reduce incidents of particular c	nme
	Estates			
			1. Bike Theft	
			Registration Scheme	
			The pilot pedal cycle registration sci	heme operated in
			the E & D districts in an effort to the	wart stolen bikes
			Outcome	
			The pilot pedal cycle registration sci	heme evaluated in
			the "E" District to determine its effe	
			funding available to develop this pro-	
			national level.	op sour rarener ac
			national level.	
			Bike Theft Initiative	
				nod for the Dublin
			Anti-bike theft initiative was develo	•
			2 area. An Garda Síochána support	
			Locking campaign with the Dublin C	ycling Campaign.
			Communication:	
			Bike Theft presentation from the Cr	
			Unit made at the March JPC meetin	g. Media release
			in relation to Bike Theft in April 201	5 & press briefing
			in June. 'Info bikes' 'bait bikes' and	secure locking
			systems highlighted during Nationa	l Bike Week.
			Liaison with 3 <sup>rd</sup> level colleges in rela	
			registration scheme, bike theft and	
			measures continued.	
			Outcomes	
			Pearse Street Garda Station publish	ed all recovered
			bikes on Garda 'Flickr' account and	
				nau success m
			returning bicycles to owners.	
			Bike theft to the end of 2015 showe	a reduction for
			the first time in 5 years.	

2.	Create an awareness amongst the
citize	ns of the South East Area of Crime
Preve	ention and Community Safety Initiatives

Crime prevention advice/information provided by community Gardaí. "Bike Theft" and "Holiday Security" tips were tweeted. Local radio (RICC radio) was used to highlight local issues. Retail Security Guide circulated to the main business groups for dissemination amongst their members

3.Continue to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable persons and groups Garda Victim Service Offices established at Pearse Street Garda Station and Crumlin Station. Staff assigned contact victims of crime to ensure provision of support services. Community Policing Units maintained regular contact with elderly citizens. Talks given to groups during Positive Aging Week

4. Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes in the area.

Neighbourhood Watch Meetings attended by Garda personnel & advice given regarding crime prevention.

5.Reduce property crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies

"Operation ACER": Target -residential crime (burglary, theft from businesses etc.) "Operation Aughrim": Target- street level thefts "Operation Thor" Target- criminals involved in burglaries and other crime.

"Burglary Response Unit": Target - Prevent and detect crime in residential communities.

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	<i>"Garda Analysts"</i> crime trends.	laentine	a chim	e not spots a	Q
	"Operation Creep	or" . Tore	at ara	ac whara bur	alarias
			et - are	as where burg	giaries
	are prevalent Outcomes:				
	DMR South Cent			an Chunch Q	
	Donnybrook Dis				
			2015		
	Burglary	905	897	-1%	
	Robbery from	144	132	-8%	
	the person	_	-		
	Robbery for the	51	65	+27%	
	Establishment				
	Theft from the	1800	1717	-5%	
	Person				
	Theft from MP		472	-15%	
	Theft from sho		1037	-6%	
	Theft (other)	2133	1964	-8%	
	Theft of Pedal	895	857	-4%	
	Cycle				
	Property Crime	7751	7298	-6%	
	DMR South Divis				
	Terenure Distric	(as at 6,			
		2014	2015	%	
				Change	
	Burglary	479	439	-8%	
	Robbery from	18	12	-33%	
	the person				
	Robbery for the	15	16	+7%	
	Establishment				
	Theft from the	38	43	+13%	
	Person				
	Theft from MP	251	209	-17%	
	Theft from sho	228	300	+32%	
	Theft (other)	174	268	+ 54%	
	Property Crime	1693	1666	-2%	

		Sundrive Road Sub-District	Sundrive Road Sub-District		
		2014 2015 % C	% Change		
		Burglary 247 178 -2	28%		
			)%		
		the personParameterRobbery for the922+	+144%		
		Establishment	F14470		
		Theft from the3123-2PersonImage: Second seco	26%		
			17%		
		Theft from shop7579+	+5%		
		<b>Theft (other)</b> 60 68 +	+13%		
		<b>Property Crime</b> 635 570 - 2	10%		
		*It should be noted that in any refere	ence to statist		
		those statistics are professional, oper	rational, liable		
		change and some possibly reclassified	d with the		
		introduction of the Central Statistic O	Office reports		
Street Crime	Prison	J-ARC Initiative			
	Service	The J-ARC initiative is a joint agency a	approach to		
		prolific offending. It targets prolific b	ourglars curren		
		The Joint Agency approach involves A	An Garda		
		Síochána, Prison Service and Probatic	<mark>on Service. Th</mark>		
		initiative is piloted in DMR South Cen	ntral Division		
		(Kevin Street District). The offender n	management		
		programme for the people that have	been part of		
		programme involves all agencies colla	laborating to		
		maximise the benefits not only for th	ne offender bu		
		ultimately the community. In this reg	gard the 3		
		agencies share information which is r	relevant to the		
		target. The prison service have an im	nportant role in		
		the initiative in the where a person is			
		the service can through 3 agency med			
		offender management plan to work i			
		release. The offender management p			

		The prison service as stated is a critical component of the joint agency and the relationship between case managers and prison liaison officers is excellent and the results of the initiative has been seen in reduction
		in offending by most of the participants. Where there is re-offending again the prison service through the flow of information has the ability to curtail
		temporary release for those who are not engaging. The success of the initiative and joint agency approach has led to the possibility of the initiative being extended to other areas of the country.

#### South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

- Councillors: Mannix Flynn (Chairperson), Jim O'Callaghan (Vice-chair), An tArdmheára Críona Ní Dhálaigh, Chris Andrews, Kieran Binchy, Claire Byrne, Patrick Costello, Mary Freehill, Frank Kennedy, Dermot Lacey, Paddy McCartan, Ruairí McGinley, Kate O'Connell, Paddy Smith, Sonya Stapleton
- T.D.'s and Senators: Lucinda Creighton T.D., Eoghan Murphy T.D. and Ruairí Quinn T.D.
- Community / Business Representatives: Fionnuala Blake, Esther McGrath, Teresa Weafer, Martin Harte, Ciaran Flanagan and Damien Coughlan
- Dublin City Council: Rose Kenny (Area Manager) & Frank Lambe (Deputy Area Manager)
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Orla McPartlin & Frank Clerkin

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2015

4 meetings were held on the following dates: 25<sup>th</sup> March, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 24<sup>th</sup> September and 17<sup>th</sup> December

# List of Drug Task Force Meetings, Local Policing Fora, Safety Fora meetings etc.

#### Local Policing Fora held in 2015

Name	No. of Meetings
Pearse Street	4
Charlemont / Whitefriar	3
Ringsend / Irishtown	4