

Cabra – DMR West

AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA



Dublin Central Area Joint Policing Committee Meeting – Cabra Tuesday 24th January 2023

Presented by Chief Superintendent Murphy & Superintendent Burke

Significant Crime Statistics

Cabra	2021	2022	Percentage Change	Detection Rate 2021*	Detection Rate 2022*
Assault Causing Harm	5	3	-40%	39%	14%
Assault Minor	10	15	+50%	17%	6%
Aggravated Burglary	1	1	0%	0%	0%
Burglary	11	8	-27%	2%	7%
Criminal Damage	31	44	+42%	9%	12%
Robbery from Establishments	2	0	-100%	43%	67%
Theft from the Person	3	1	-67%	0%	8%
Theft from MPV	15	10	-33%	1%	1%
Theft from Shop	27	28	-4%	34%	37%
Theft (Other)	10	9	-10%	11%	7%
UT of Vehicle	10	18	+80%	18%	7%
Fraud / Deception	7	7	0%	10%	12%
Public Order Incidents	31	28	+10%	51%	39%

Cabra: Significant Crime

- Aggravated Burglary – Definite line of enquiry.
- Increase in Stolen Vehicles – majority are motorbikes
- Increase in Criminal Damage – A large proportion of this is in relation to attempted vehicle thefts
- Decrease in Domestic Violence Incidents



Cabra: Significant Detections

- Significant seizure of Cocaine. One suspect before the courts.
- Domestic Assault with a suspect arrested – file to DPP
- Robbery suspect before the courts
- Burglary suspect identified through DNA and before the courts
- Drug Debt Intimidation suspect arrested



Community Engagement:

- This year welcomed the return of the Christmas hampers for the RAP (Retired Active Person) ground, at the hands of Garda Ciara McGrath. Funding and donations were sought and a total of 70 Hampers were given to the elderly in the Cabra Sub-District. The continued effort throughout Covid has had an extremely positive and reassuring result with such members of the community.
- Community Policing Unit in Cabra have returned to in-person school talks in the lead up to Halloween. This is especially significant with injuries sustained by youths in Cabra in recent years. The amount of fireworks in Cabra appeared to be less than previous years.
- A number of anti-social behaviour issues were reported in Autumn 2022. As a result of ongoing interventions between Community Policing Units, local youths at risk and local youth services, these issues have deteriorated significantly.



Community Engagement:

- Diversity training for members attached to NPU Cabra has continued, upskilling members to deal with diverse groups. Members attached to NPU completed further training in conjunction with Garda National Diversity and Integration Unit and LGBTQ+ groups. These workshops are vital in displaying the support An Garda Síochána has towards such groups.
- NPU Cabra hosted a day for Irish Sign Language Interpreters at Finglas Garda Station. This included both Community Gardaí and newly qualified interpreters. It highlighted possible obstacles either party may have, and discussed practical solutions which may be put in place. A report on such topics has been forwarded to Crime Legal, Garda HQ on foot of this.

Community Engagement:

- Following a positive result of a TAG programme, NPU Cabra are now in the planning stages of introducing a similar programme for parents of such youths.
- NPU Cabra have continued to work with Little Blue Heroes throughout this period. Members visited homes, taking into account social distancing and restrictive measures, as well as accompanying heroes on outings within the Sub-District.
- Community Policing Cabra are delighted to announce the return of the RAP meetings in person. This is a monthly event for retired residence in the area. There are currently 120 attendees registered who come each month.
- The Garda Band attended at a number of schools in the Cabra area over the Christmas period. They were extremely well received.

Community Engagement:

Operation Tombola

- Test purchasing carried out throughout the Cabra Sub-District.
- Daily inspections of Licensed Premises.
- Increased patrols of areas known storage of bonfire material.
- Operation in conjunction with Dublin City Council locating and retrieving fire material and fireworks.
- Filling station canvassed – Requests not to sell fuel in jerry cans agreed with by management.
- School programs educating youths of dangers at Halloween.



Other

Inspector Kieran Farrelly was appointed as Inspector with responsibility for the District.

Since his arrival, a new Sergeant responsible for Regular Policing has been appointed; Sgt Cathal Collins.

Cabra Station has been allocated sufficient members to ensure a constant policing service is available within the sub-district. This has had a visible impact on the policing in the Cabra area, with an increase in dedicated patrols and improvement in response times.

Superintendent Burke has allocated a new Patrol Vehicle to enable the members carry out their function effectively.

Community Policing Cabra has also received a new Sergeant in charge of the unit; Sergeant John L'Estrange.





Thank You.

