

JPC Annual Work Plan

The purpose of developing this Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee Annual Work Plan is to enable focus on policing matters to ensure (a) Community safety (b) Quality of life issues (c) Commitment and capacity to engage with and address the needs of our diverse community/customer base.

Strategic Objective 1: Ensuring Safer Communities				
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
1) Reduce level of anti-social behaviour	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015	Implement strategies / structures to prevent opportunities for anti-social behaviour	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<p>Community Policing Unit attached to the U District has 12 Gardaí and 2 Sergeants in total across two units. These members proactively tackle anti-social behaviour across the Mountjoy District.</p> <p>The Community Response Team has 4 Gardaí with a supervisory sergeant. They are tasked with tackling hotspot areas as they arise. This response method allows for an area to be targeted, and when persons are identified and issues decrease, community engagement takes place, such as</p>

				<p>working with local groups. The Divisional Community Policing Office continues to forward any emails regarding issues in the area so Gardaí can address same.</p> <p>Particular attention is focused on Cabra Luas stop and its surroundings (Mount Bernard Park) targeting anti-social behaviour with both high visibility and plain clothes patrols carried out. Gardaí continue to carry out joint patrols with Gardaí from the Bridewell and Cabra stations along with Transdev staff on the Luas line & stops from Broombridge to Dominick Street. There were two days in January and two days in February 2023. More dates are proposed for the 2nd quarter.</p>
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<p>2) Reduce drug related issues affecting the community</p>	<p>Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015</p>	<p>Put operations in place to deal with issues</p>	<p>Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>Outcomes of operations</p> <p>The Divisional Drugs Unit cover all 4 stations across the DMR North Central taking in the Mountjoy / Cabra Area. In Q2 2022 there was an increase of personnel in this unit, which is having a positive impact with more members available to target drug dealing across the Division. A number of search operations were put in place and a significant amount of drugs were seized from addresses in the Phibsboro, Glasnevin and Cabra areas. A number of individuals were arrested and prosecutions are pending. These are intelligence led operations including referrals from vigilant members of the community</p>

				<p>Locally the Community Response Team (CRT) target issues in the area as they become aware of same. Community Engagement members are often provided with information by residents and this is passed to CRT for action. CRT liaise with the Divisional Drugs Unit for targeted operations. For example, the issues with throw overs into the Prison from the Canal at Phibsboro. This is targeted by the team with plain clothes patrols and working closely with the Prison Authorities. The team continue to target known hotspots, such as the Broadstone / Blessington Basin area, and individuals.</p>
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<p>3) Licensing / off-licence issues</p>	<p>Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015</p>	<p>Put operations in place to deal with issues arising</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>Outcomes of operations</p> <p>There is a Sergeant assigned to the Liquor Licensing portfolio in addition to her normal duties.</p> <p>A list of premises are sent to working units to conduct inspections.</p> <p>This sergeant will oversee the licence applications and other issues in the U District.</p>

Strategic Objective 2: Enhancing Community Engagement				
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
Effective engagement with communities	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with community fora 	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<p>Engage with community fora – Cabra Forum/Resident Meetings</p> <p>Gardaí attached to the Community Policing Unit attend the required meetings providing feedback and reports for those in attendance. The Neighbourhood Watch Scheme for Iona Road has now agreed the placement of Neighbourhood watch signage in the area. The request is with the DCC to erect the signs.</p> <p>Gardaí attended the quarterly Hospital Watch meeting with the Mater Hospital staff and management. This forum allows the hospital to highlight issues around the Mater Campus and for Gardaí to help address the concerns of hospital management.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen community development initiatives 		<p>Strengthen community development initiatives Members are involved in any projects that are brought to their attention. Gardaí attended a Living with Addiction Seminar held by the Talbot Centre and Gardaí will be given a further talk from the Ana Liffey Drug Project in the 2nd quarter.</p> <p>Gardaí attended the Connecting Cabra market in February to assist and offer support. Connecting Cabra is a voluntary organisation promoting sustainability and a low-carbon community.</p> <p>Gardaí will attend the clean-up day and family fun day proposed in the Iona District Residents Association area for June. The community van will be used and Gardaí will offer crime prevention advice and will carry out bike marking. It is hoped to have the Garda Mounted</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build on Small Areas Policing process 		<p>Unit and Garda Dog unit for the fun day (Subject to Availability)</p> <p>Gardaí will assist if any matters are brought to their attention.</p> <p>Build on Small Areas Policing process Every SAP in Sector 3 and 4 have a Community Garda assigned. Sgt Donnelly is the Sergeant assigned to both and Insp Govern overseas both also.</p> <p>Gardaí are engaging with DCPO office in Store Street and building contact bases throughout their SAPs.</p> <p>Garda Egan in Sector 4 is creating a database of all business owners in Phibsboro with contact information and email distribution lists. We are in the process of having this information on to our</p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• St Patrick's Day	<p>interactive maps which will allow all members access to same.</p> <p>St.Patrick's Day Events- Gardaí provided assistance to a number of schools & day care centres to help them put on events for St Patrick's Day.</p> <p>In the 2nd Quarter school talks are being planned in particular it is proposed to engage with transition year students and deliver talks on the areas of substance abuse and on-line safety.</p>
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Strategic Objective 3: Confronting Crime				
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To keep under review the levels and patterns of crime in the Cabra-Glasnevin Area.	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015	Build on existing partnerships between Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána in the prevention and reduction of the threat posed by crime and support the victims of crime	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	Approaches to addressing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic violence These calls are a priority 1 call on the CAD system to dispatch members so calls are treated with urgency. Call backs are performed within 7 days to the victim to ensure they are ok and provide advice regarding orders and support services etc. The 1 st Quarter of this year saw the introduction of a Risk Evaluation Tool (RET) used by Gardaí when speaking with the victims of Domestic Violence. In the U district, these incidents are reviewed each morning at the PAF meetings and actions assigned. These incidents are also risk assessed by members in the station under the Domestic Abuse Coordinator (DAC) system.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>• Burglaries Burglaries are reviewed at the morning PAF meetings. Burglary scenes are examined by local forensic teams, the area will be canvassed for CCTV and statements will be taken. Investigations are monitored by the supervisor of the Garda investigating.</p> <p>• Victim support The Division has a Crime Victim Support office which updates victims with details of their case. Members of Community Policing are also forwarded call backs to victims of crime. This allows members to offer advice or provide contact information to their stakeholders. There is separate call back procedures for victims of Domestic Abuse. Where there is a spike in crime we use the Crime Prevention Officer to provide advice to victim of crime.</p>
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Case management of offenders <p>SAOR is in operation in the U District and consolidates the management of adult and youth offenders through the introduction of a strategic approach to offender recidivism. AGS holistically manage the court cases, charges, bail conditions, interagency liaison and inform AGS how it is being managed. This has proved successful in the U District to date.</p>
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Strategic Objective 4: Road Policing				
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates
Ensure that major events proceed with minimum disruption to business and movement within the city	Garda Policing Plan / Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2015	Continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of planned and unplanned events in the Central Area	Dublin City Council An Garda Síochána	<p>Reports on events in the Central Area and compliance with Road Safety Legislation</p> <p>A Divisional Roads Policing Unit cover the 4 stations across the Division and target all road offences as well as prevention actions such as operations and checkpoints.</p> <p>In relation to the objective of ensuring major events proceed with minimum disruption to business and movement in the city the local Events Teams at Mountjoy converse with Roads Policing Unit who will assist with traffic management on the days in question. DCC Clampers/NTA will also assist as they have in the past.</p>