Report No. 128/2023 Report of the Chairperson of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee



#### **Annual Report of the Joint Policing Committees 2022**

Section 36 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 provided for the establishment in 2006 of Joint Policing Committees (JPCs) in each Local Authority. In Dublin City, this consisted of both a Citywide Joint Policing Committee and five Area Subcommittees corresponding with the five operational areas of the City Council.

Guidelines for the operation of Joint Policing Committees were originally introduced by the Department of Justice in 2008 and revised in August 2014 to cover the period 2014 – 2019 (Council Report no. 288/2014 refers).

With effect from April 2016, responsibility for issuing guidelines in respect of Joint Policing Committees comes under the remit of the Policing Authority, which was established by the then-Minister for Justice and Equality in January 2016 to oversee the performance of An Garda Síochána in relation to policing services in Ireland. The Authority's representatives continued to attend JPC meetings during 2022.

The Authority produced new guidelines in Autumn 2022; which were discussed at the annual conference and agreed with both the Chairs of all the JPC's and Chief Executives of all the Local Authorities, at their annual conference in August 2022. These revised guidelines were subsequently issued to the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee, the 4 Joint Policing Subcommittees and the North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP) in November 2022.

The main purpose of the Joint Policing Committees is to provide a forum whereby a Local Authority and Senior Garda personnel, with participation from Local Authority members, Oireachtas members and community/business interests, can discuss and make recommendations on matters affecting the policing of the area.

A Strategy Document was originally prepared for the Council term 2019-2024, with the objective of having each of the 6 Joint Policing Committees focus primarily on 3 key issues for the duration. Owing to the fact that the JPC structure remains under review, and the recent establishment of a 2-year Pilot Community Safety Partnership in the North Inner City Electoral Area which, it is envisaged, will replace the Joint Policing Committee in that area going forward (Appendix 1 refers), it was decided to retain these objectives for the foreseeable until such changes come into effect. These objections are listed as follows:

Three high priority issues for Dublin City six-year (2019-2024) Strategic Plan:

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

The following action matters form the basis of the 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

This has been replaced by a Pilot Programme (one of 3 in the country), namely the North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP) and a report on its activities for 2022 is included in the body of this report.

Dublin North Central: Policing / Crime Data

Business night-time economy

Graffiti / Dumping

Dublin North West: C.C.T.V.

Youth Services Family support

It is important to note that these headings are not exclusive and Committees are also encouraged to report under any other headings deemed appropriate for their respective areas. Separate issues are often progressed via each Committee's respective Annual Work Plans.

Meetings of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee are held every two months and currently take place via the remote video conferencing, Zoom. One Hybrid meeting took place in 2022.

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, which is set out hereunder.

Councillor Tara Deacy Chairperson 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023

# **Report of Dublin City Joint Policing Committee**

			Upd	ate on meetings held during	g 2022	
	rategic ojectives	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> City 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015- 2021) High Priority Issues:  1. Community Safety / confidence- building 2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates 3. Street crime	Drugs Misuse	Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager, DCC (Frank replaced Brendan Kenny on the Committee following Brendan's retirement in October 2021)  Angela Willis, Asst. Garda Commissioner (AGS)  City Joint Policing Committee Chair: Councillor Tara Deacy	Strategic priorities identified – February 2015  Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015	Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (JPC)  These meetings take place every 2 months. The membership comprises the Lord Mayor, Elected Members, Oireachtas Members, An Garda Síochána, Council Officials and Community / Business representatives.  Standard reports are provided by An Garda Síochána (AGS) and Dublin City Council (DCC) to each meeting, in addition to presentations and reports from other agencies, as requested/considered relevant.  The Joint Policing structure remains under review , with a new pilot structure already established in the North East Inner City, namely the Local Community Safety Partnership. It is intended that this Partnership will replace the JPC in the North Inner City Electoral Area. Its Members include representatives from HSE, Tusla, An Garda Síochána, Dublin City Council and Elected Representatives.  Community representatives will make up the majority of the membership of the Partnership to ensure the focus remains community-driven. An Independent Chairperson has been

appointed. This pilot is intended to run for a two-year period and is part of the Department of Justice Community Safety Policy and will ultimately lead to the rollout of similar Partnerships in all Local Authority areas nationally. Other issues discussed at JPC meetings include: See Page 9 below for list of presentations/reports delivered during 2022. High Level Group on Street Issues (HLG) This group meets monthly and is chaired by the Lord Mayor. Its membership includes representatives from Dublin City Council (DCC), An Garda Síochána (AGS), Health Service Executive (HSE) and Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP). The focus of this group is on issues affecting the city centre and bordering streets only, specifically drugs, drugdealing, street drinking, antisocial behaviour etc. and bordering streets. Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP) & Law Engagement & Assisted Recovery (LEAR) Project The project is led operationally by Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP) and consists of a frontline multidisciplinary team with members of Ana Liffey, An Garda Siochána (AGS) and Dublin Region Homeless Executive (DRHE), providing intensive case management services

to people entrenched in street life in the city centre. The project supports people who have complex and multiple needs such as addiction, criminality, homelessness and mental health to engage effectively with support services, often for the first time, and to identify and achieve their goals. A key focus of the project is supporting people to move away from criminality and antisocial behaviour and towards their personal recovery. Formerly known as the 'Assertive Case Management' project – the service was renamed as the Law Engagement & Assisted Recovery (LEAR) project. This name change was announced on

Management' project — the service was renamed as the Law Engagement & Assisted Recovery (LEAR) project. This name change was announced on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022; and it encapsulates Ana Liffey's partnership work of AGS, their proactive work with the Courts and Probation Service, in addition to their strong partnership work with a wide range of agencies to help people meet diverse goals and to achieve recovery from a problematic lifestyle to the standard the person desires.

Since 2014, the LEAR project has had boots on the ground in Dublin City Centre. The LEAR project has been active in Dublin 1 and Dublin 2 since 2014. In 2021, the project expanded to work in Dublin 8; and in 2022 the project has been further expanded to

focus on the North East Inner City (NEIC). Supported by HSE CH09; the **NEIC Programme Implementation** Board: and the North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership. In 2022, four new staff joined Ana Liffey to deliver the LEAR project in the NEIC area. 2022 - key date - interventions through Outreach: City centre Dublin 1 & 2: 1.547 interventions were provided to 509 people. NEIC: 509 Interventions were provided to 248 people. Dublin 8: 147 interventions were provided to 108 people. **Services Provided:** Needle & Syringe Program; providing Brief Interventions; linking with Rough Sleeper Team; linking with Freephone Service; referring on to other services as appropriate; supporting clients with accessing Ana Liffey's low threshold nursing service; making referrals to Ana Liffey's mental health nurse; regular engagement with social inclusion nurses concerning existing clients and people who are in need when met on outreach, signing up new clients from Garda referrals. Referrals from Gardaí Store Street/NEIC: 37 Pearse Street: 23 Kevin Street/Kilmainham: 30

Total = 90

				Caseload
				Dublin 1 & 2 – 49 clients signed up to
				work with the team in 2022.  Dublin 8 – 31 clients actively engaged
				with care plam.
				NEIC – 16 people signed up to work
				with the team by the end of 2022.  Total = 96 clients, across there areas,
				engaged with case management and
				had active care plans throughout
				2022.
				Medically Supervised Injecting Facility (MSIF)
				MSIF: The planning permission for the
				pilot Medically Supervised Injecting
				Facility (MSIF) was granted at the end
				of December 2022. Merchants Quay Ireland are working with the various
				stakeholders to open the service in
				2023.
2.	Anti-social Behaviour	Address street crime/ issues	High Level Group – Members comprise	Dublin City Centre Business Forum (DCCBF)
	Denaviour	CHITIC/ 133UC3	Dublin City Council	This Forum's membership comprises
			officials, An Garda	the Lord Mayor, Dublin City Council,
			Síochána and Health	An Garda Síochána, and Business
			Service Executive (HSE).	Representatives in the City. It is
			Representatives from	chaired by a retired Assistant Garda
			the Ana Liffey Drug Project attend as and	Commissioner and meets every two months.
			when requested.	The Forum addresses challenges
			Then requested.	faced by the Business Community,
				such as antisocial behaviour, begging,
				traffic issues etc. and its remit was
				expanded during the Pandemic with
				the appointment of a City Recovery
				Manager, whose role is to liaise with
				the Business Representatives to address challenges posed by the

			Pandemic and devise appropriate solutions.  Dublin City JPC: As above  High Level Group on Street Issues:  MSIF: The planning permission for the pilot Medically Supervised Injecting Facility (MSIF) was granted at the end of December 2022. Merchants Quay
treet rime/Issues	Community Courts		of December 2022. Merchants Quay Ireland are working with the various stakeholders to open the service in 2023.  This issue was actively pursued by the Dublin City Business Association (DCBA) since 2004 until it ceased operating in early 2016. As there has been no further update in this regard, it is intended to amend the themes/headings under which the JPC reports going forward (JPC structure currently under review).
			Housing Situation / Homelessness: This is discussed at the meetings of the High Level Group (interagency group, see above).

### Presentations / Reports / Updates to Dublin City Joint Policing Committee in 2022

- Report of Assistant Garda Commissioner (to each meeting)
- Report of Executive Manager, DCC (to each meeting)
- Policing Authority Overview provided by Helen Hall, Chief Executive & Gráinne Curtin, Senior Manager (Communications & Engagement)
- Human Trafficking Presentation from Garda National Protective Services Bureau
- St. Patrick's Festival Event de-brief / overview
- National Transport Authority (NTA) Presentation from Tim Gaston
- Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP) Presentation from Tony Duffin, CEO
- Policing Authority presentation on remit of Authority
- North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP) Presentation from Cormac Ó Donnchú, Chairperson
- DRIVE Project Presentation from Siobhán Maher, DRIVE Co-ordinator
- Motion referred from Cork County JPC Phishing and Cyber Crime
- Revised JPC Guidelines (as amended by the Policing Authority) circulated to Members in November 2022

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

- Councillors: Lord Mayor Caroline Conroy, Councillors Tara Deacy (Chairperson), Mannix Flynn (Vice-chair), Daithí De Róiste, Janet Horner, Danny Byrne, Ray McAdam, Dermot Lacey, Joe Costello, Daithí Doolan, Larry O'Toole, Deirdre Heney, Caroline O'Connor and 1 Vacancy
- Oireachtas members: All T.D.'s and Senators for the Dublin City Council administrative area
- Community / Business Representatives: Tony Duffin (Ana Liffey Drug Project, ALDP), Joe Donohoe (Fatima Groups United Family Resource Centre), Alan
   Morrissey/Theresa Kelly (Edenmore Residents), Orla Mannion (Dublin Chamber of Commerce), Richard Guiney (Dublin City BID CLG T/A Dublin Town) & Adrian
   Cummins (Restaurants Association of Ireland)
- Dublin City Council: Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager
- Garda Officials Assistant Commissioner Angela Willis & Chief Superintendent Patrick McMenamin

#### Number and date of meetings held during 2022

6 meetings took place in 2022 as follows: 25<sup>th</sup> January, 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 22<sup>nd</sup> November The meetings in January and March were held via Zoom; Hybrid meetings were introduced with effect from the May meeting.

# **South East Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2022**

Update on meetings held during 2022

C+ı	rategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of	Lead	Timescale	Action taken
Sti	ategic Objectives	Origin	Actions	Person/Agency	for action	Action taken
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1.	Community	Department of	Community	Director of	Annual	An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council worked to
	Safety/Confidence	Justice Guidelines	Safety/Confidence	Services:	work plans	develop ways of local collaboration to reduce incidents
	Building		Building	Karl Mitchell	for six JPC	of Bike Theft
		Dublin City JPC:		Area Manager:	Committees	Garda Flickr website continued to be promoted to identify
		Approved process		Brian Hanney	established	recovered bicycles and reunite them with owners.
		(February 2015)			February	Staff at <b>PEMS (Property) offices</b> across the Division continued
		for development		Garda	2019	efforts to return all seized and recovered bikes to their rightful
		of <b>Dublin City</b> 6-		Representatives:		owners through the use of the Pulse database.
		year Strategic		Chief		owners unlough the use of the ruise database.
		Work Plans (2015-		Superintendent		Pictures of stolen & found bikes were put on the Garda Síochána
		2021)		Peter Duff, DMR South and Chief		<b>Facebook</b> page to gather information and return the bicycle to its
		High Priority				rightful owner, when no personal engraving was found.
		lssues: 1. Community		Superintendent		
		Safety /		Anthony O'Donnell,		There are 2 member's trained to carry out <b>Bike Marking in the</b>
		confidence-		DMR South		South East Area. Bike engraving days were held in 2022.
		building		Central		Draparty Marking was promoted within the "C" District to assist
		2. Antisocial		Central		Property Marking was promoted within the "G" District to assist in detecting and returning property in these incidents.
		Behaviour /		Chair:		in detecting and returning property in these incidents.
		Housing		Councillor Claire		On the 19 <sup>th</sup> of July, Gardaí in Donnybrook held a <b>Bike Safety &amp;</b>
		estates		O'Connor		Security Initiative at St. Vincent's Hospital.
		3. Street		Vice-Chair:		
		crime		Councillor Tara		On the 12 <sup>th</sup> November, in conjunction with UCD a ' <b>Light Up</b>
		Crime		Deacy		Campaign' was run. Members of the Students Safety Group and
		Annual Work Plans		Deacy		Gardaí set up a bicycle checkpoint on the grounds of
		(Action Matters				UCD. Cyclists going through the checkpoint were given bike
		for South East				safety and security advice. Over 200 sets of lights were also
		Area JPC listed to				handed out to cyclists.
		the left)				
						Community Gardaí utilised the "Garda Blue Bike" scheme in
						schools to educate students about good locking mechanisms and
						identifiable markings which aid the return of property to rightful

owners. All were advised to take a picture of their bicycle with identifying marks clearly visible and record details on property marking cards provided. This was also deployed in shopping areas where there is a high footfall to remind people of the need for good security for their bikes.

Continued to implement bye-laws and existing legislation to combat drinking on open spaces and in public places

There was regular engagement with all local businesses and licensees across the South East Area, to ensure compliance with the Intoxicating Liquor Act and also that potential fines are outlined for selling alcohol to underage and/or drunk individuals.

Test Purchasing operations were carried out periodically to ensure Licence Holders were not selling drink to minors.

Owners / managers / staff were reminded to be vigilant in relation to the Underage Policy and encouraged to report any instances or suspicions of persons buying alcohol on behalf of minors.

Meeting was held in March by Pearse Street with the Licensing Trade in the City Centre regards the St. Patrick's Festival.

Gardai continued to target drinking in open spaces with intelligence-led policing concentrating on known hot spots in accordance with **Operation Soteria.** 

Particular focus was paid on areas highlighted as a result of Community Safety Forums and Community Impact Assessment. A number of events took place in 2022, including matches in the Aviva stadium, all of which ran without serious incidents.

All applications for a licence to sell alcohol were strictly vetted by a Garda Sergeant in advance of any Court application and

premises are visited to ensure that the premises is fit to receive a licence.

Operation Trene was enforced in all public parks / green

**Operation Irene** was enforced in all public parks / green areas / open spaces and these were regularly subject to high visibility policing. Both the Public Order Act and Intoxicating Liquor Act are utilised where breaches occur.

Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives

**Operation Thor** continued to be in operation. All burglaries reported are subject to Technical Examination. Crime Prevention advice is given to victims.

The Burglary Response Unit continued to tackle offenders.

The Divisional CPO produced an information package concerning Retail security and Online Shopping and distributed it through "Dublin Town" to all their retail stakeholders.

**Community Policing** members continue to deliver safety information to residents & stakeholders within their individual CPA's.

Community Gardaí have maintained links with the community have additionally arranged for premises to be visited by Crime Prevention Officers.

Continued to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable persons and groups

Gardaí continued to conduct Domestic Violence call backs under **Operation Faoiseamh** and ensure that any concerns from victims are being addressed.

		In-person call-backs to victims of domestic abuse and residential burglaries were conducted by Community Gardaí within 7 days of an incident.
		Community Gardaí in Pearse Street organised a joint initiative with CUS Leeson Street to do a clean-up of the communal garden in <b>Powerscourt/Verschoyle Court</b> , Dublin 2 on Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> of March 2022
		On Saturday the 14 <sup>th</sup> of May, Pearse Street Community Policing Unit hosted an Open Day which was enjoyed by members of the public and the local community.
		Gardaí and Garda Staff (Victim Services) maintain a full service to victims of crime with a particular focus on vulnerable persons and groups.
		<b>SONAS (Freedom from Domestic Violence</b> ) visited Irishtown Garda Station on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> of August, which was organised by Community Policing.
		Local Community Gardaí regularly perform welfare checks on elderly and vulnerable people in the community and have built up a register of older and vulnerable persons that are visited and reassured.
		Community Gardaí reminded elderly and vulnerable people about "bogus tradespeople and cold callers" to the door and alerted people to e-mail scams and text messages attempting to gain access to their bank accounts etc.  In serious incidents,
		<b>Family Liaison Officers</b> kept in contact with families and regularly update them as to progress in their case.

	The Divisional Garda <b>Victim Service Office</b> also liaise with victims of crime offering practical support and assistance.
	Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes
	Community Gardaí continued to liaise with local representatives and residents in response to specific issues, targeting anti-social and or criminal behaviour.
	Continued liaison with UCD, RCSI, TCD campus, Union reps, staff and residents throughout 2022.
	Regular meetings were held with each neighbourhood watch committee attended by the Community Policing Sergeants or Gardaí.
	Designated liaison Community Garda for each sector in the sub- district provided assistance with crime prevention advice as well as local initiatives run by the various groups.
	On the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of September, Community Policing members in Donnybrook relaunched <b>'Campus Watch</b> ' as part of their crime prevention strategy at UCD Belfield Campus.
	On the 15 <sup>th</sup> of November, an AGM of the Donnybrook District Neighbourhood Watch / Residents Associations was held at the Aviva Stadium. A number of speakers gave talks on the night in relation to Crime Prevention, Cyber Security and Domestic Violence.
	<b>Neighbourhood Watch</b> schemes in the District remained active and each scheme has a designated Neighbourhood Watch Garda assigned to it who will meet with the street co-ordinator.
	Crime prevention and advice posters / leaflets / brochures etc. are distributed among the scheme members by way of direct

contact / e-mails etc. and people are encouraged to visit the Garda website to avail of more information.

Community Gardaí set up information stands at various locations in the district and also attend local activities / meetings where material can be distributed and discussed in detail

The Divisional Crime Prevention Officer visited businesses and individuals to provide detailed security and safety advice.

Terenure Community Gardaí established a new Neighbourhood Watch scheme in an area of Rathgar.

Reduce Property Crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies

The **Operation Thor, Winter Initiative** operated in 2022 and incorporated the deployment of all operational personnel (crime detective units, divisional crime task force, drugs units,

community policing units, roads policing units, CIO's and crime prevention officers). The objective was to have a focused, targeted and integrated approach to criminals involved in committing Burglary related crime in the Winter months.

The **Divisional Burglary Response Unit** carried out targeted patrols across the SF Area.

The **Crime Prevention Officer** conducted a number of security surveys and assessments to reduce the incidents of property crimes and targeted intelligence-led patrolling were utilised to reduce burglaries.

Prolific offenders were targeted, objections to bail made in District Court and Bail revoked before the where breaches of bail were detected. "Days of Action" were implemented to target known offenders/wanted criminals. Searches were conducted for stolen property and Court warrants are executed.

The Divisional **Burglary Response Unit** carried out targeted patrols across the SE Area.

**High Visibility checkpoints** were set up in areas of recent crime to disrupt mobile criminals. Uniform Gardaí both on foot and on Mountain Bikes concentrated on specific areas and Divisional resources such as the Burglary Response Unit were utilised to perform extensive patrolling of areas and housing estates.

Crime trends were analyzed to identify hotspots and Garda resources are utilised to provide early intervention to combat such crime.

Continued to work together to provide alternatives to anti-social behaviour for young people (target audience 10 -12 years old)

Youth At Risk (10-21 years) is the DCSWP core programme dedicated to providing opportunities for young people to take part in sport and physical activity on an ongoing basis thereby mitigating anti-social activity and behaviour. DCSWP Sport and Co-funded Officers (Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Rowing and Rugby) work closely with youth services, schools, community groups and An Garda Síochána to deliver these programmes and initiatives. Many of these school and after-school programmes introduce young people to a sport for the first creating thereby important pathways clubs/groups/teams in the long-term. Pathway programmes also focus on coaching, youth leadership and mentoring programmes

Youth At Risk Highlights in the SE area:

		After-school multi-sport initiatives (8 – 12 years) and football night soccer in Irishtown stadium (13-17 years) continued in partnership with Riccy's Youth Services.
		Over the Easter period DCSWP will facilitated <b>Easter camps</b> in partnership with Riccy's and St. Andrew's Youth services.
		The SEA DCSWP Officer in the Crumlin area facilitated  Orienteering sessions in partnership with Irish Orienteering, and Loreto College, Crumlin (13-17 years)
		Schools Cross Country events took take place in partnership with Athletics Ireland in April and May in local parks (primary school).
		DCSWP Officer supported local schools during <b>Active Schools</b> Week in April 2022.
		<b>Multi-sport initiatives</b> continued with St. Andrew's Youth Service, Pearse St. Recreation Centre, RICCY's Youth Service, Brú & Clay Youth Services, Ballyfermot Youth Adventure Centre and DCC's Markievicz Sports & Fitness Centre.
		After-school programmes, fitness classes with primary school, inclusion and integration after-school programmes continued.
		A new DCSWP <b>Swimming Officer</b> coordinated the implementation and delivery of an integrated programme linking with people from non- traditional swimming backgrounds.
		The summer <b>Kayaking programme</b> aimed at young people age 18-21 years commenced on 13 <sup>th</sup> June in partnership with St. Michael's House and Ballyfermot Adventure Youth Services.

South East area schools participated in the **2022 Marathon Kids programme**.

In September DCSWP Officers engaged with the **Spellman Rehabilitation Centre** in the South East Area to deliver a football tournament targeted at adults age 18+ years undergoing treatment/experiencing mental health difficulties. The tournament took take place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 12pm in Irishtown Sport & Fitness Centre

**Partnership programmes** with St. Andrew's Youth Service, Pearse St. Recreation Centre, RICCY's Youth Service, Brú and Clay Youth Services, Ballyfermot Youth Adventure Centre continued.

**After-school programmes** include fundamental fitness classes with primary school and inclusion and integration after-school programmes continued in the area.

**DCSWP Sport and Co-funded Officers** worked closely with local youth groups and planned Christmas 2022 multi-sport activities.

The FAI Friday Night League is just one example of how DCC/DCSWP supports young people in the SE area. The Leagues continued in 2022 in Irishtown stadium delivered by DCSWP's FAI Co-funded Football Development Officers and a network of volunteers. The initiative plays a critical role in DCSWP Youth at Risk programme in the SE area at it engages young people during anti-social hours and helps forge positive relationships with An Garda Síochána. The 2022 league concluded in the stadium with the presentation of trophies and medals to participants.

Community Gardaí are involved in delivering the **schools programme** and continually encouraged students to become involved in many different sporting and cultural activities that can be of benefit to the community in which they live.

The J.L.O. talks to both parents and children and points out various organisations that they can become involved in particularly if they have been referred to the JLO system and these activities can reduce the opportunity for them to fall back into crime / anti-social activity. Juvenile Liaison Officers implement the diversion programme to support juveniles who have strayed into the path of criminality in an effort to reduce recidivism. They make themselves available to parents with a family member in the programme to point out opportunities the juvenile can avail of to receive the help they need. Gardai participated in the National Youth Awards in 2022. Gardaí continued to work with Garda Youth Projects namely (Brú, Clay, Solas and Youth Justice Projects. Continued to work together to promote the positive benefits of diversity within the community. Garda Diversity Officers and all Community Policing Members in each Community Engagement Area continued to support our new communities and encourage them to report crime. There are trained Diversity Officers attached to each Divisions. All Hate Crimes are investigated thoroughly. The Community Support Office also assigns a Diversity Officer to liaise with the injured parties in each incident. There is ongoing liaison with the community at the Islamic Cultural Centre in Clonskeagh. Community Gardaí in Donnybrook visited the mosque 6 times to date in Quarter 2. Gardaí in Donnybrook on April 24<sup>th</sup> joined members of the Sikh community to celebrate Vaisakhi Day as well as organising a

			Crime Prevention event at the Gurdwara Temple on the same day, which was well received.  Community Gardaí and Ethnic Liaison Officers have identified community organisations and ethnic diverse groups/residents in their respective areas and there is ongoing liaison with these groups to support and promote relationship and links and ensure their policing needs are being addressed  There is continued communication with all embassies located in the area, including the American, British, Turkish, Israeli etc.  Gardaí have recently attended a number of social mornings for Ukrainian refugees in an effort to promote good relationships going forward.  There is ongoing liaison with members of the Jewish Community, Methodist Church members, Church of Latter Day Saints and positive relationships and trust is being created which will ultimately encourage people to report any instance of perceived
3	Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates	Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates	Estate Management Statistics in relation to anti-social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes  Complaints received and dealt with by South East Area Housing staff, in 2022:  South East Inner City/Pembroke Wards:  406 Complaints were received Anti-Social Complaints , 1997 Act: 8 Drug-related 251 Not drug-related Other Complaints (Nuisance) 146 – 99 complaints were dealt with by Housing Manager and Project Estate Officers. 27 Interviews were held.

			Kimmage/Rathmines Ward:  124 Anti-Social Complaints, 1997 Act:  8 Drug-related  22 Not drug-related  Other Complaints (Nuisance) 75.  82 complaints were dealt with by Housing Manager and Project Estate Officers.  50 Interviews were held.  It should be noted that in any reference to statistics, those
			statistics are liable to change
2.	Street Crime	Street Crime	Continued to target the organised crime groups harming communities through violence and the sale and supply of drugs  DMR South District Drug Unit has actively targeted known drug dealers and concentrated their efforts focusing on dealers who supply drugs to be sold in local parks.  Community Policing members & Operation Citizen, with the assistance of the Divisional Drugs Unit, continue to target the sale & supply in the Pearse Street CE Area, specifically within the environs of Pearse House & Mercer House, throughout Q3.  District Drug Units continued to actively targeted known drug dealers
			Continue to enforce the Criminal Justice Public Order Act 2011 (Begging Legislation) to combat begging in the area  The enforcement of the legislation where applicable continued, with prosecutions through the District Court.  Gardaí targeted individuals and hotspots in the context of antisocial behaviour and include areas where begging occurs.

problem areas, namely George's Street, Lower Baggot Street, Main Street Ranelagh, Sandymount Village, Grafton St. etc. Gardaí on patrol were regularly briefed and reminded of the issues created by people engaged in aggressive street begging at or close to commercial/financial/retail interests. Gardaí engaged with beggars and discouraged their activity and utilised the **Public Order Act** where required and those who failed to comply with directions issued were arrested and dealt with in the appropriate manner. In Q4, Camden Street has been noted as having an increase in the reports of aggressive begging taking place. Operation Citizen & the CRT (Kevin Street) initiated a joint operation to rectify this issue. Create safer and more peaceful local communities by working together to promote public order and reduce antisocial behaviour in the South East Area. Through Operations Thor, Tara and Limmat, Gardaí continued to target hotspots and individuals in the context of anti-social behavior. These operations include members patrolling areas of concern in regard to reducing property crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies. Hi-Viz Operations on bridges and Sir John Rogerson's Quay continued to discourage anti-social and criminal behaviour, tackle growing incidents of fights between youths north and south of the inner city. Challenges included the increase of incidents between rival groups in the Pearse Street area v the Store Street Area. A comprehensive Policing Plan for the

Community Policing members and **Operation Citizen members** attached to Pearse Street continued to concentrate on the

specifically Hi-Viz Operation at Glovers Court and Mercer House took place in the evenings to discourage anti-social and criminal behaviour A number of protests took place in 2021, Policing Plans were prepared and there was a strong police presence at all times. Community engagement is enhanced by continued support of the Police and Community Engagement (PACE) project through Teenagers & Gardaí (TAG), Community Text Alerts, Late-night Leagues and Neighbourhood Watch schemes. Through Operation Soteria Gardaí targeted individuals and hotspots in the context of drinking and anti-social behaviour. The aim of the operation is to prevent assaults occurring through targeted timely patrols and engaging with community partners to promote personal safety. Operation Tombola – Increased numbers of uniform Gardaí in the run up to and including Halloween. **Operation Citizen** was launched in October. It is a joint initiative between South Central and North Central. The main objective is to prevent & detect anti-social behaviour. Identify individual "hot spots" including laneways in the area in the context of anti-social behavior Public disorder hotspots were continually monitored and targeted by a range of Garda Units, including Community Policing, Operation Pier, Public Order Unit, Operation Citizen, the Burglary Response Unit and the Task Force Unit.

Creighton St/City Quay area is in force to deal with this

			on Soteria Gardai targeted individuals and ntext of anti-social behaviour.
			egular contact with other stakeholders to oncern and hotspots.
		mountain bike & f	continued to be enforced by Gardaí and oot patrols took place to include back lanes o deal with any drinking or loitering etc.
			act was enforced to direct persons away from hes are dealt with by way of Cautions (Adult earances.

# Community Safety/Confidence Building (continued)

## **DMR South - Crime Statistics - Quarter 4 2022**

Crime Statistics ending 27/11/2021 in comparison with ending 27/11/2022

								JPC	
		Terenure & Rathmines			Crumlin			Area	
	202	2000		202	2000		202	2000	
	1	2022		1	2022		1	2022	
Burglary	98	109	11.22%	68	77	13.24%	166	186	12.05%
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Aggravated Burglary	2	1	-50.00%	0	1	%	2	2	0.00%
Robbery from the Person	9	5	-44.44%	4	2	-50.00%	13	7	- 46.15%
Robbery from Establishment	12	3	-75.00%	6	6	0.00%	18	9	- 50.00%
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Theft from the Person	11	9	-18.18%	12	8	-33.33%	23	17	- 26.09%
Theft from MPV	90	159	76.67%	47	43	-8.51%	137	202	47.45%
Theft from Shop	323	416	28.79%	236	298	26.27%	559	714	27.73%
Theft Other	83	155	86.75%	99	112	13.13%	182	267	46.70%
Criminal Damage	162	215	32.72%	113	112	-0.88%	275	327	18.91%
Theft/UT of Vehicle	50	33	-34.00%	57	74	29.82%	107	107	0.00%
Fraud/Deception	212	161	-24.06%	98	95	-3.06%	310	256	- 17.42%
Theft/UT of Pedal Cycle	226	157	-30.53%	29	23	-20.69%	255	180	- 29.41%
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Breach of Barring Order	2	0	- 100.00%	7	6	-14.29%	9	6	- 33.33%

Breach of Protection Order	11	14	27.27%	18	33	83.33%	29	47	62.07%
Breach of Safety Order	7	8	14.29%	7	13	85.71%	14	21	50.00%
Total DV Breaches	20	22	10.00%	32	52	62.50%	52	74	42.31%
Domestic Violence ( No offence									
identified)	133	137	3.01%	144	179	24.31%	277	316	14.08%

Sec 15 MD for Sale and Supply	19	23	21.05%		55	32	-41.82%	74	55	- 25.68%
Sec 3 MD for Personal Use	180	176	-2.22%		79	67	-15.19%	259	243	-6.18%
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Driving while Intoxicated	23	48	108.70%		24	25	4.17%	47	73	55.32%
Driving Intoxicated Drugs	25	18	-28.00%		18	12	-33.33%	43	30	- 30.23%
Total D.U.I offences	48	66	37.50%		42	12	-71.43%	90	78	- 13.33%
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Public Order	152	93	-38.82%		87	84	-3.45%	239	177	- 25.94%
S3 Assault Causing Harm	41	26	-36.59%		24	31	29.17%	65	57	- 12.31%
S2 Minor Assault	44	41	-6.82%		31	49	58.06%	75	90	20.00%
Possssion of Offensive Weapons	11	12	9.09%		9	10	11.11%	20	22	10.00%
Searches under Drugs Acts	609	651	6.90%		530	480	-9.43%	113 9	1131	-0.70%
Searches under Warrant	66	45	-31.82%		96	71	-26.04%	162	116	- 28.40%
Seized Vehicles	178	208	16.85%		220	317	44.09%	398	525	31.91%

# DMR South Central - Crime Statistics - 27/11/2022 (Week 47)

Pearse Stree Areas	t & Donnybrook CE	Incidents Reported 2021	Incidents Reported 2022	% Change	Detections Made 2021	Detections Made 2022	% Change	Incidents Reported 2019	% Change(2019 v 2022)
Property Cri	me	3554	5695	+60%	1250	1506	+20%	6074	-6%
Burglary	Burglary (not aggravated)	414	460	+11%	116	163	+41%	669	-31%
	Aggravated Burglary	3	4	+33%	1	2	+100%	4	0%
Theft	Theft/UT of vehicle	84	140	+67%	10	16	+60%	73	+91%
	Theft from Shop	1306	1736	+33%	858	942	+10%	1293	+34%
	Theft from Person	205	827	+303%	30	71	+137%	1320	-37%
	Theft from Vehicle	218	298	+37%	26	23	-12%	317	-6%
	Theft/UT of pedal cycle	561	671	+20%	54	45	-17%	685	-2%
	Theft of other property	524	1251	+139%	81	141	+74%	1490	-16%
Pearse Stree Areas	t & Donnybrook CE	Incidents Reported 2021	Incidents Reported 2022	% Change	Detections Made 2021	Detections Made 2022	% Change	Incidents Reported 2019	% Change(2019 v 2022)
Robbery	Robbery of an establishment	32	30	-6%	11	15	+36%	38	-21%
	Robbery from person	118	182	+54%	43	47	+9%	119	+53%
Criminal Dar	nage	473	537	+14%	148	173	+17%	485	+11%

Assaults	Assaults Causing Harm	157	292	+86%	52	66	+27%	201	+45%
	Minor Assault	295	484	+64%	52	70	+35%	457	+6%
Sexual Offence	es	74	107	+45%	8	12	+50%	92	+16%
Public Order Offences	Public Order Offences	1524	1434	-6%	1391	1321	-5%	1769	-19%
	Drunkenness Offences	264	334	+27%	254	312	+23%	337	-1%
	Trespassing	136	153	+13%	81	105	+30%	154	-1%
Pearse Street a	& Donnybrook CE	Incidents Reported 2021	Incidents Reported 2022	% Change	Detections Made 2021	Detections Made 2022	% Change	Incidents Reported 2019	% Change(2019 v 2022)
Drugs	Possession of Drugs for Sale & Supply	199	147	-26%	176	153	-13%	265	-45%
	Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	213	149	-30%	217	154	-29%	344	-57%
	Search Under Drugs Act	1672	1564	-6%				1419	+10%
Possession of offensive weapon	Possession of Offensive Weapons (Not Firearm)	176	180	+2%	161	173	+7%	150	+20%
	Possession of a Firearm	1	4	+300%	0	1		5	-20%
Driving Under the Influence (DUI)	Driving while intoxicated	71	92	+30%	68	80	+18%	57	+61%

	Drug Driving	23	16	-30%	19	8	-58%	6	+167%
Traffic Collision	on Fatal	2	0	-100%			0		
Pearse Street & Donnybrook CE Areas		Incidents Reported 2021	Incidents Reported 2022	% Change	Detections Made 2021	Detections Made 2022	% Change	Incidents Reported 2019	% Change(2019 v 2022)
Murder/Mans	slaughter	1	0	-100%	1			0	
Domestic	Breach of Barring Order	8	10	+25%	7	5	-29%	5	+100%
	Breach of Protection Order	19	22	+16%	18	21	+17%	17	+29%
	Breach of Safety Order	9	15	+67%	8	13	+63%	10	+50%
	Child Neglect & Cruelty	3	3	0%	0	1		6	-50%
	Domestic Dispute  - No Offence Disclosed	192	248	+29%				173	+43%
Hate Crime O	ffences	27	43	+59%	17	5	-71%	0	

It should be noted that in any reference to statistics, those statistics are provisional, operational, liable to change and some possibly re-classified with the introduction of Central Statistics Office reports

## South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee Membership

Councillors: Claire O'Connor (Chairperson), Tara Deacy (Vice-chair), Claire Byrne, Danny Byrne, Daniel Céitinn, Hazel Chu, Deirdre Conroy, Kevin Donoghue, Pat Dunne, Anne Feeney, Mary Freehill, Mannix Flynn, James Geoghegan, Dermot Lacey, Paddy McCartan, Carolyn Moore

- Oireachtas Members: Chris Andrews T.D., Ivana Bacik T.D, Eamon Ryan T.D., Jim O Callaghan T.D.,
- Community / Business Representatives: Hugh Gillanders, Michael Noel Harte, Keri Goodliffe, Eddie McGuinness
- Dublin City Council: Karl Mitchell (Director of Services ) and Brian Hanney ( Area Manager)
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Peter Duff and Anthony O'Donnell

## Number and dates of Meetings held via Zoom during 2022

**4 JPC meetings were** held on the 24<sup>th</sup> March, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 6<sup>th</sup> October and 8<sup>th</sup> December

4 Steering Committee meeting were held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> May, 22<sup>nd</sup> September and 24<sup>th</sup> November

Cllr Claire O'Connor, Chairperson. Cllr Tara Deacy, Vice-chairperson.

#### South Central Area JPC Annual Work Plan - 2022 Update on meetings held during 2022 Strategic Origin **Summary of Lead Person/Agency** Timescale for Action taken **Objectives** Actions action Community Department of Justice Annual work **Building Community Resilience Project** Restorative Area Manager: Work is ongoing under the 6 Strands Guidelines safety / Justice Derek Kelly plans for six JPC Confidence Committees 1. Supporting the Local Policing Forums **Dublin City JPC:** established -2. Promoting Restorative Practice building Garda Reps: Approved process Chief Superintendent February 2015 3. Promoting Trauma Informed Practice Tony O'Donnell, Chief (February 2015) for 4. Responding to street based, drug trade development of **Dublin** Superintendent related anti-social behaviour City 6-year Strategic Finbarr Murphy and 5. Tackling Network Organisers Work Plans (2015-Chief Superintendent 6. Connecting with Policy 2021) Peter Duff High Priority Issues: Strand 1 4. Community Public Meetings, Management Committee Chair: Councillor and Four Fora Meetings all arranged in Safety / Daithí Doolan chronological order so that information is confidencebuilding fed appropriately into the South Central JPC 5. Antisocial meetings. Behaviour / 4 Forums Network - 2 members from each Housing estates Community Safety Forum sit on the 4 6. Street crime Forums Network. An update from the Network is provided at each quarterly meeting. At the July 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting the 4 Forums Network launched the newly named Community Safety Forums (previously known as Local Policing Forums). An Information booklet for members was introduced. The booklet outlines structures, roles and responsibilities. Updating of www.DSCforums.ie Website

		Strand 2 – Ongoing
		<ul> <li>CSFN in conjunction with Quality Matters rolled out basic Trauma Informed Practice Awareness training in 2022. Some Garda members attended from Kilmainham Garda Station.</li> <li>Roll out of Trauma Informed Practice training to DCC's South Central Area Housing Teams commenced in 2022.</li> </ul>
		Community Crime Impact Assessments and Problem Solving Groups currently running — Oliver Bond, St Michaels Estate, Cherry Orchard, Crumlin along with a safety meeting for Dolphin House.      Targeted Response to Young People (TRY) — Oliver Bond and RUA, Dublin 12, Collective Outreach SWIC.      Young people attending SWIC Public Meetings  Strand 5      Continuing to build relationships with D12 and Ballyfermot Community Safety Groups.  Strand 6      Introduction of DRIVE Project     University of Limerick Expert Group support     BCR Team contributed to DCC ASB Policy and Governmental ASB Policy

			<ul> <li>Key issues raised at a number of 2022 meetings:         <ul> <li>The need for increased Garda Resources &amp; increased Garda visibility</li> <li>Calls for improved public interface @ local Garda Stations</li> <li>Stolen vehicles &amp; Joyriding</li> <li>Use of E Scooters on footpaths</li> <li>Use of sulkies</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Extra visibility by AGS in hotspot areas has resulted in positive feedback from the Community.</li> <li>Public Order Unit assigned to Ballyfermot in response to serious joyriding incidents</li> <li>New Road Traffic and Roads Bill 2021 went before the Oireachtas in 2022.</li> <li>A Draft New Horse Drawn Carriages Bill is listed on the Government Legislative Programme</li> </ul> An Garda Síochána
			<ul> <li>Garda updates and stats were provided at all 4 meetings in 2022.</li> <li>A Presentation by The Garda National Diversity &amp; Integration Unit on 'Working Definition of Hate Crime' was given at the January 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting.</li> <li>Online Report facility for hate crime was launched in July 2021. A monitoring unit has been established. Hate crime training has been developed and will be rolled out to all members of An Garda Síochána.</li> </ul>

2.		Estate	Quarterly Estate Management Statistics for the	
	Behaviour –	Management		ere at
	Housing		all 4 meetings in 2022.	
	Estates			
			Drugs Task Force Meetings 2022	
			Name No. of	
			Meetings	
			Canal Communities Drug Task 10	
			Force	
			Dublin 12 Drugs Task Force 8	
			Ballyfermot Drugs Task Force 7	
			SICDATF Drugs Task Force 11	
			Community Safety Forum Meetings 2022	
			Name No. of No. o	f
			Meetings Public	С
			(Excluding Meet	ings
			Public	
			Meetings)	
			Canal Communities CSF 8 3	
			SWIC (South West Inner   6   3	
			City) CSF	
			Dublin 12 CSF 7 2	
			Ballyfermot/Chapelizod 4 4	
			CSF	
			List of Community Safety Group Meetings 202	2
			Name No. of	
			Meeting	s
			Dolphin Community Safety Group 10	
			Herberton Safe & Sustainable 10	
			Group	
			St. Teresa's/Margaret Kennedy 8	
			Community Safety Group	
			Community Safety Group	
			Community safety droup	

3.	Street Crime	Parks security / Bye-laws	Throughout 2022 An Garda Síochána carried out regular patrols of parks within the South Central Area.
			There is ongoing liaison between DCC, An Garda Síochána and stakeholders in an effort to reduce anti-social behaviour in parks.

#### **Dublin South Central Joint Policing Committee Membership 2022**

Councillors: Daithi Doolin, (Chairperson), Daithí De Róiste, Máire Devine, Vincent Jackson, Darragh Moriarty, Michael Pidgeon, Deirdre Cronin, Sophie

Nicoullaud, Michael Watters and Hazel de Nortúin

Deputies: Patrick Costello, Joan Collins, Aengus O Snódaigh, Bríd Smith

Community Representatives: Aoife Carragher, Joseph Fitzgerald

Director of Services, South Central Area: Derek Kelly

Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Tony O'Donnell, Finbarr Murphy and Peter Duff

4 Meetings were held in 2022:

31st January

25<sup>th</sup> April

25<sup>th</sup> July

24<sup>th</sup> October

# North Central Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2022

Update on meetings held during 2022

	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 City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015-2021) High Priority Issues:  1. Community Safety / confidence-building	Policing / Crime data	Director of Services (DCC): Derek Kelly  Gardaí: Chief Superintendent Mark Curran, Superintendent Ronan Barry, Superintendent Darren McCarthy.  Chair: Councillor Tom Brabazon	Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015	Improvements in Garda numbers on Community Policing units. Task force set up to deal with sustained ASB in Darndale. Presentations given by Juvenile Unit, Economic Crime & Fraud, Drug Related Intimidation & Community Policing Unit. Garda Clinic operating one day a week in Darndale, Clongriffin, Edenmore & Santry/Whitehall. Darndale Implementation Oversight Group continues to operate. All Senior Officials from agencies attend, making improvements steadily and building community confidence.
2.	Antisocial Behaviour – Housing	2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates 3. Street crime  Annual Work Plans	Business night-time economy			Gardai dealing with mixture of joy riding and scramblers in Darndale.,

	Estates			Helicopter monitoring where the scramblers end up for future action. Garda van in Darndale is making a difference. Drug dealing continues in certain parts of Darndale, DCC & Gardaí tackling. Later night football continues for 10-16year olds on a Friday evening to keep them out of trouble. HSE outreach workers operating in Darndale linking in with drug related gangs/youths. CDYSB outreach workers operating in Darndale, Kilmore & Clongriffin/Belmayne
3.	Street Crime	Graffiti / dumping		Plan developed to tackle the illegal dump in Darndale. Gardaí trained and given powers to deal with illegal dumping etc. Rubbish from dump to be removed. Festival and firework displays in numerous area reduced the number of bonfires and instances of criminal activity and ASB.

#### **Membership**

- Councillors: Tom Brabazon, Declan Flanagan, Alison Gilliland, Deirdre Heney, Jane Horgan-Jones, Mícheál MacDonncha, Damien O'Farrell, Naoise Ó
  Muirí, Larry O'Toole, John Lyons, Racheal Batten, Patricia Roe, Daryl Barron, Terence Flanagan, Dearbhail Butler, Donna Cooney and Catherine
  Stocker
- Oireachtas members: Denise Mitchell T.D, Sean Haughey T.D, Richard Bruton T.D, Cian O'Callaghan T.D and Aodhan Riordain T.D.
- An Garda Síochána: Chief Superintendent Mark Curran, Superintendent Ronan Barry, Supt Darren McCarthy
- Business & Community representatives: Jacinta Carson, Rose Wall, Linda Hayden and Con Clarke

#### Number of meetings held during 2022 and dates.

4 meetings held in 2022 - 17<sup>th</sup> January, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 17th October

#### Public Meetings / Policing / Drugs Fora meetings etc.

The Belmayne/Clongriffin, Edenmore, Donaghmede, Darndale & Kilmore Safety Forum re-opened in early 2022 after Covid.

Meetings of the Darndale Implementation oversight group occurred once a month from January to December on line except for an in person meeting in December.

These were attended by DCC, Gardai, HSE, Northside Partnership, Dept. Of Justice, CDYSB, CDETE among other groups/agencies.

### **North West Area**

## Joint Policing Sub Committee

### Annual Work Plan 2021/2022

Strategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Outcome
Keeping People Safe- Crime.	Garda Policing Plan	Reduce crime and the fear of crime through multi-agency diversion activities, providing crime prevention advice and responding to evolving threats.	An Garda Síochána.	Gardaí, DCC & FCC conducted multi agency operations targeting known criminals within the Community. DCC & Gardaí have also conducted a number of Garda Clinics & workshops providing crime prevention advice to local residents. By conducting these clinics and visits Gardaí were able to address and assist with any evolving threats to the effected Community area or individuals.
		Enhance our capacity to identify and deprive criminals of illegally obtained assets.		Any criminals identified by Finglas Gardaí of illegally obtained assets are referred to the Criminal Assets Bureau.

			Reduce community harm issues especially the sale and supply of illegal drugs (organised crime) and crimes against property such as burglary.		High Visibility Patrols/Beats are regularly conducted by Gardaí to deter and prevent the Sale & Supply of Drugs in the affected areas. Houses identified by Gardaí are searched under warrant.
2	Community Policing.	Garda Policing Plan	Continue to further engage with communities and stakeholders, listening to and understanding their policing needs and working in partnership to address them.	An Garda Síochána.	Community Gardaí have and continue to engage with the local stakeholders in the Finglas District. Gardaí attended regular meetings with Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council, local shops/businesses and housing agency's which helped identify and address issues raised in the respective areas.
			Establish a roadmap to ensure our services are accessible to all, thus improving the community's quality of life		Gardaí provide a number of services ensuring the community has access to a better quality of service. People can now report incidents online. Community Gardaí conducted talks/presentations with local community groups, schools and set up Garda clinics providing information about personal safety and crime prevention

			Continue to work in partnership with stakeholders in supporting diversity within the community of the North West Area.		In the Finglas District there a number of facilities which include women's refuges, the national reception centre, family homeless accommodation.  Community Gardaí regularly attend facilities provide information/presentations.  Gardaí attend regular meetings and help identify and address any issues raised.
3	Keeping People Safe- Roads.	Garda Policing Plan	Contribute to the Government Road Safety Strategy, working in partnership on education and targeting enforcement activities to reduce deaths and serious injuries	An Garda Síochána.	Gardaí conducted talks/presentations for road safety days to school/local community groups and the national reception centre. During which high visibly vest/bags/armbands provided by the RSA were handed out.
			Safeguarding road users by an increase in key lifesaver offence enforcement and detections (speeding, seatbelts, mobile phones and driving under the influence).		The DMR Roads Policing Unit conducted and continue to conduct high visibility checkpoints targeting drivers under the influence. Operations targeting key lifesaver offences are conducted on a weekly basis by both the regional & local DMR Roads Policing Units

			Disrupt known criminals' activities through strict enforcement of road traffic legislation and denying them the use of the roads.		Operation Hybrid was and is currently still being conducted. This Operation targets/disrupts known criminals and their activities. This is done by Checkpoints and High Visibility & Covert patrols and searches. These patrols are conducted by plain clothes, armed Gardaí and uniformed Gardaí
4 Sa	Safer Streets	Citywide JPC	Additional mobile and beat patrols in North West Area to ensure a safer environment.	An Garda Síochána.	Gardaí attached to Finglas where possible conduct high visibility Beat, Mountain-Bike & Mobile Patrols on a daily basis, when not responding to calls/incidents.
			Explore alternative methods of communication during Covid-19 Pandemic.	Dublin City Council.	Normal channels of communication resumed in 2022
			Safety Fora to increase online presence to disseminate information to the public.	Finglas Safety Fora Coordinator.	Information relating to Finglas safety Forum was disseminated via the Finglas sety Forum Facebook and Twitter. Information from social media pages operated by relevant key stakeholders – Finglas/Ballymun DCC was shared via Finglas Safety Forum. Online relevant information will continue to be

					disseminated via these
					social media channels
5	Tackling Drugs	Citywide JPC	A multiagency approach through AGS and DCC to tackle drug problem across North West Area.	Dublin City Council.	DCC continued to implement their Estate Management Strategy Plan – 2022-2027 through pro-active and responsive management of antisocial behaviour in collaboration with AGS Ballymun Safety Fora worked in collaboration with local drug task force to deliver the relevant information and presentation at public meetings. They also supported awareness campaigns as required
				An Garda Síochána.	Finglas Gardaí and DCC work closely and tackle any issues raised or identified by residents. Gardaí were proactive and conducted high visibility patrols in the highlighted areas. The Garda Drug Unit carried out operations and any Houses identified are searched under warrant
			Safety Fora to circulate information on drug related support and reporting on drug litter.	Task Forces.	Ballymun LDATF continues to provide a focal point for planning responses and initiatives

6	Small Areas Policing	Citywide JPC	Implementation of SAPs policing in H District through Sgt. Foley NPU Ballymun and Sgt. Monahan NPU Santry.	An Garda Síochána	to address drug and alcohol related problems, involving a range of statutory, community and voluntary agencies.  Completed – currently 18 Community Policing members assigned with two Sergeants
7	Provide an Outreach service for areas in the NWA	Finglas Cabra Drug & Alcohol Task Force Ballymun Task Force	Outreach worker to operate from a unit in the Barry Shops complex.	Finglas Cabra Drug & Alcohol Task Force Ballymun Task Force	This action was not delivered as no new funding streams were available to support it.
			Provide an Out Reach service for Poppintree & Courts Area.		The Easy Street Team was reorganised to provide regular and ongoing street based detached work and support on a regular basis in the Ballymun area.
8	Support the September recovery programme campaign	Finglas Addiction Support Team	Multiagency support for a month long campaign in both Ballymun & Finglas.	FAST	A full month long calendar of events was implemented and well attended in the Ballymun area. Recovery was promoted and local services and business fully participated, including lighting up their premises in the purple (recovery) lights

	Another successful Recovery Month programme of events was
	coordinated by Finglas Cabra Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force and
	launched by the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Cllr Caroline Conroy.

#### Joint Policing Sub Committee membership 2019-2024

- 1. City Councillors: Keith Connolly (Chairperson), Anthony Connaghan, Noeleen Reilly, Caroline Conroy, Mary Callaghan, Briege MacOscar (Co-opted Feb 2020)
- 2. Oireachtas Members: Deputies Dessie Ellis, Roisín Shortall, Paul McAuliffe
- 3. **Community/Business Representatives:** Teresa Lydon (Board of Ballymun Drugs Task Force/member of subgroup of Safer Ballymun), Tony Byrne (Order of Malta/Finglas-Cabra Local Drugs & Alcohol Task Force/Scouting Ireland), John Redmond (Peace Commissioner)
- 4. Dublin City Council Officials: Derek Kelly, Director of Services, North City and Mick Carroll, Area Manager, Finglas
- 5. An Garda Síochána: Chief Superintendents Finbarr Murphy and Mark Curran

#### Number of meetings held during 2022

The NWA JPC held 4 meetings in 2022, 3 meetings were successfully held online via Zoom and the final one in December was in person in Ballymun Civic Offices:

- Monday 27th<sup>d</sup> March
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December

#### Steering Committee meetings held in 2022

The NWA JPC held 4 Steering Committee meetings in 2022, all meetings were successfully held online via Zoom:

- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Annual Ballymun Safety Fora JPC Report 2022**

The Safer Ballymun is a partnership between the Community, Dublin City Council, the Drugs Task Force and An Garda Siochana. The focus is to engage in collaborative discussions to explore solutions to local safety concerns.

#### The Ballymun Safety Forum Steering Committee held 3 meetings in 2022

- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December

# <u>Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána met on the following dates to discuss Safety issues and agree actions to be implemented under the Safer Ballymun Strategy</u>

- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

#### Once restrictions lifted the Ballymun Safety Forum Meeting recommenced in person public meetings were held on

- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October

Dublin City Council have established a Youth Advocacy Group in Ballymun which have engaged with the Safer Ballymun Network and will be represented on the Safer Ballymun Steering Committee. It is the aim of the Safer Ballymun Forum to bring their voices, ideas and potential solutions to issues raised to fruition in the coming year.

The main safety matters raised during 2022 were

- Open drug dealing around the Dolmen Court
- Anti-social behaviour & drug dealing at St. Josephs Hill
- Increased levels of anti-social behaviour and intimidation at Poppintree Sports Centre
- Increased number of scramblers and stolen cars in the area
- Large gatherings of youths around Poppintree Parade shops
- Increased levels of anti-social behaviour at Hampton Woods

Our Housing Manager and Project Estate Team have continued to work closely with the local Gardaí to follow up on and investigate complaints as received. DCC have served a number of Tenancy Warnings, secured an eviction, have processed a Section 20 request to An Garda Síochána (to remove illegal occupiers from DCC property).

Short term actions have being agreed and implemented to address anti-social behaviour and drug dealing in specific locations. Including local project on St. Josephs Hill in conjunction with DCC, AGS, Easy Street, St. Josephs School, the Jobs Centre and local residents, The Ballyrunners completed a number of clean up's and a planting project on St Joseph's Hill. The Arts Workshop took place in St Joseph's School with 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> class students whereby artists collated design templates. A mural was unveiled in conjunction with a very successful Family Fun

Day followed by an additional planting project at the Dane Road entrance to the hill and community mediation work between relevant local community representatives.

#### **Finglas Safety Fora Update 2022**

Two rounds of meetings took place in 2022 in the respective areas of Finglas East, West and South as follows:

- Finglas South, Erin's Isle –Monday 14th March
- Finglas East, St Canice's BNS Tuesday 15th March
- Finglas West, St Fergal's BNS Monday 28th March
- Finglas South Monday 10<sup>th</sup>October from 7-8.30pm in Erin's Isle
- Finglas East Tuesday 11th from 7-8.30pm in St Canice's Boys School
- Finglas West Monday 17<sup>th</sup>October from 7-8.30pm in St Fergal's Boys School

Safer Streets Citywide: JPC Safety Fora to increase online presence to disseminate information to the public.

A social media campaign around community safety and refugee protest and supports

The creation of social media accounts: Instagram /tik tok to reach younger people within community.



## Working to enhance Our City, Our Communities and Our Safety

#### 31/03/2023

Below is an update on the activities that were reported on at the board meeting for the LCSP held on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February.

A presentation was made to the Partnership by Dublin Fire Brigade on a Risk Reduction Management Plan for the NIC; it is hoped that a pilot of this programme will be run in cooperation with the LCSP of the NIC.

The Wolfe Tone Park hiring process has concluded and there were over 100 applications. 3 candidates were successful and have accepted 2 full-time and 1 part-time positions.

O' Connell Street CSW has had a big attraction with over 200 applicants, interviews were held in February 2023 with 1 position offered. No other successful candidates from this round, second round of interviews scheduled for the coming week, w/e 7<sup>th</sup> of April.

It is intended to launch the CSW scheme in the coming month. DublinTown, principal employer, has applied to the Garda National Vetting Bureau to register as an approved agent to request garda clearance. The Partnership is supporting this application and it is hoped this process will be completed without further delay. The CSW scheme will commence with induction and training once DublinTown are listed. A launch date will be agreed and will be supported by a press call, to which all stakeholders will be invited to meet with the team.

The DRIVE lead position (Drug Related Intimidation and Violence Engagement Lead) this position was advertised in December; the advertisement was extended to run for an additional 3 weeks to account for the holiday period. Interviews are now concluded (March 2023) and the position has been offered out to the successful candidate. Inspector Ken Hoare has joined Working Group 1, On Street Drug dealing, Drug Taking and will work closely with the DRIVE Lead and is gaining a clear picture of Drug related intimidation in the NIC.

LEAR (Law Engagement and Assisted Recovery Project) is establishing itself in the community. The coordinator of the LEAR team gave a presentation to the Local Community Gardaí, Local Housing Officers, with the objective of increasing referrals to the team from those that would benefit, but are not on the street.

As a result of the presentation to the Local Youth Workers, to explore how to reach the 'Hard to Reach' as described by legislation, it was revealed that there is a gap in engagement with the under 18's where misuse of substance is a difficulty. The HSE has extended the funding to include a part time under 18's LEAR engagement worker. However, the Partnership is currently working with the HAY project, Ana Liffey and the HSE to ensure this position is clarified and procedures are in place to support the position.

At time of the Board meeting, it was reported that CES had submitted a draft report to the Department of Justice. That report is now concluded and will be launched in April.

The Partnership has proceeded to compile a first draft of the Community Safety Plan. During the facilitated working groups that were held in 2022, in addition to policing, 5 themes were identified under which the Partnership is now working. The themes are as follows:

- o Drugs, Anti-Social Inclusion Health
- o Family Youth and Community
- Education and Employment
- o Integration Ethnic and Multi Faith Inclusion
- Environment

Finally at the board meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February the Chair, Cormac O'Donnchú tendered his resignation.

If any additional information is required or clarity on any of the issues discussed here please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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