

**Safer Ballymun  
JPC Report  
March 2024**

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

The last public meeting of the Safer Ballymun Forum took place on 17<sup>th</sup> October last. There has been a number of meeting with Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána to address the safety concerns raised at the meeting and additional concerns received by Dublin City Council directly in relation to on-going anti-social behaviour and the dangerous use of scramblers and quads in the area in particular on the Main Street, the Plaza, Shangan and Silloge and Poppintree.

The Gardaí have confirmed that a number of recent planned operations between late December and early March have seen the successful seizure of 34 scramblers along with drugs, weapons and money from local properties. They have also recovered a number of stolen vehicles in the area.

The main safety matters of concern continue to be:

- Open drug dealing at various locations including the Plaza, the Courts, Poppintree Shops, Shangan and the Silloge Area
- The increased use on Nitrous Oxide
- Volume of scramblers across the area
- Issue with vaping being looked at by members of BRYP

The City Council and An Garda Síochána continue to meet on a regular basis to address the matters of concern.



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The main policing issues raised directly to the Finglas Safety Forum Co-ordinator recently have been:

- Reports received of anti-social behaviour occurring at St Canice's Square e.g. drug dealing.
- Reports of groups of individuals congregating at Cappagh Drive engaging in drug use received.
- Reports received of anti-social behaviour occurring at Dunnes Stores on Cardiffsbridge Road e.g. drug dealing.
- Reports received of anti-social behaviour occurring at Northway Park and Mellowes Park. e.g. drug use and drug dealing.

The Finglas Safety Forum Coordinator is in the process of arranging dates with the relevant stakeholders. Thus, subsequently, dates will be circulated to the elected representatives, community representatives and local community in due course.