## Central Area JPC Sub-Committee Annual Work Plan 2024

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	
Reduce level of anti-social behaviour	Gardaí identifying need for intervention.	Implement strategies     / structures to     prevent opportunities     for anti-social     behaviour	An Garda Síochána	Anti-Social behaviour is an ongoing situation which requires monitoring from stakeholders as well as An Garda Síochána, throughout the year. Halloween is a particularly active and volatile time of the year regarding such behaviour. This year AGS worked in conjunction with Cabra4Youth as well as DCC to coordinate a day of activities. This included outdoor cinemas and local workshops. This not only provided a constructive distraction for youths in the area, but allowed the local residents enjoy the festivities in a peaceful and safe atmosphere. This project was financed by DCC, and could not have been made possible without their financial assistance as well as vision.  This night has shown a significant improvement on recent years, allowing the way to lead a path to future events, and	

Repeat offending youths below the age of criminal consent.	Referred to TUSLA	An Garda Síochána	make it an annual celebration.  Anti-Social behaviour in general however has been targeted, particularly in the
			Dunard and Maple Centre areas. This has been dealt with by family interventions, as well as the Garda juvenile liaison scheme. Children who were referred to the JLO scheme have also been referred to TUSLA for their assistance with the respective families/youths.
			Sgt Louise McHugh (outlined in section 3 of this document) has recommended changes of Crime Prevention through Environmental Change. Dunard Court is currently creating challenges regarding youths and anti-social behaviour. Sgt McHugh is assisting DCC in implementing these changes in Dunard Court also.

Strategic Objective 2: Enhancing Community Engagement					
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates	
Effective engagement with communities	Initiatives NPU Cabra	Retired Active People	An Garda Síochána	The RAP (retired active persons) group had its first return Christmas dinner for its members in December. This was very kindly sponsored by Dublin City Council and in excess of 70 people were present. It was accompanied by a community policing member dressed as Santa, as well as a professional musical entertainment act. Our RAP meeting's shall continue monthly until our summer outing.	
		<ul><li>School Visits</li><li>Halloween</li></ul>	An Garda Síochána	Members of the Community Policing Unit, Cabra, visited a total of 8 primary schools in the Cabra area with the Garda Band. Sergeant L'Estraange transitioned in to Santa Clause, and a very exciting and performance was given to each school visited.	
		School Visits	An Garda Síochána	Cabra NPU visit every school in the sub-	

		district in the run up to Halloween. The
		focus of these visits is to make children aware of the dangers surrounding the events and discourage them from engaging in anti-social behaviour within the community.
Community		
Meetings	An Garda Síochána	Cabra NPU continue to host community meetings and engage with local community groups. With the increasing numbers of new apartments and housing estates, it is important for AGS to make connections with the new residents and neighbourhood groups.
Increased numbers	An Garda Síochána	The station party of Cabra has not seen any decrease in numbers, with an addition of 2 members coming to NPU Cabra in the coming weeks.

Strategic Objective 3: Confronting Crime					
Objective	Origin	Actions	Lead Person / Agency	Updates	
Crime Prevention	Follow up incidents/ Victim Engagement Initiative	Crime Prevention Advice	An Garda Síochána	Sergeant Louise McHugh has been recently appointed as Crime Prevention Officer. In addition to other projects, Sgt McHugh has advised on a 'Crime prevention through environmental change around the Dunard Estate and Maple Centre areas. This has been implemented and has shown a proven change in the behaviour in the area.	
	Drug Related Intimidation	Detections and arrests	An Garda Síochána	In the final quarter of 2023, significant developments have been made regarding drug related intimidation and threats. This is an issue that spans the K District and a such, is being tackled on a District basis. A number of arrests have been made, where significant charges have been preferred and these offenders are before the courts. This operation is ongoing.	

## **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	K District Roads Policing Unit Garda Policing	Continue to work in partnership with OPW in relation to events within the Phoenix Park on a regular basis.	An Garda Síochána	The DMR West Roads Policing Unit creates and executes policing plans for events within the division, including regular events held in the Phoenix Park.
		VIP duties	An Garda Síochána	On top of operational policing, Divisional Roads Policing Unit provide security patrols for members of the public who attend the Wild Lights event at Dublin Zoo. DMR Divisional Roads Policing unit were also invaluably involved in the recent visit of the Chinese Premier to Ireland, Mr. Li Qiang.