



SOUTH EAST AREA JOINT POLICING SUB-COMMITTEE

Quarter 4 Update 2016



Breviate of South East Area JPC Steering Committee

In accordance with the Joint Policing Committee Guidelines, the breviate of the meetings of the South East Area Joint Policing Steering Committee held on **10**th **November 2016** is set out hereunder.

Order:

Actions from September meeting

Joint Follow Ups:

South East Inner City Drugs & Alcohol Task Force

Update: The South East Inner City Drugs & Alcohol Task Force was notified on 10/10/16 that Brian Hanney will represent DCC.

Dog Walkers

Update : The Steering Committee does not recommend writing to Department of Environment to request legislation to make it compulsory for dog walkers to carry bags. It was recommended to request that the requirement for responsible behaviour from dog owners be included in the Council's Housing Tenancy Agreement.

Spray Paint Cans

Update: The Steering Committee does not recommend writing to Department of Environment PC to request legislation to impose a levy on spray paint cans.

Noise Pollution

Update: The Steering Committee does not recommend writing to Department of Environment or Minister of the Environment to highlight gaps in current legislation regarding Noise Pollution. The feasability of signage will be examined.

Follow ups for An Garda Síochána

Crime Statistics

Update: An Garda Síochána will provide details of age profile and drug types in the crime statistic reports.





Follow ups for DCC

Dog Fouling Patrols

Update: Dartmouth and Grosvenor Square included in the patrols. Details of bin locations will be circulated to members.

Follow up for Members

Policing Priority Issues

Update: 4 Members have submitted details of their priority policing issue for consideration by 21st October.

- Presentation by "The Garda National Protective Services Bureau" will be presented at the December meeting
- □ Crime Statistic Presentation

A.O.B

- The South East Area JPC will commence a **Pedal Cycle Compliance campaign** with an emphasis on raising safety awareness for cyclists who continue to mount footpaths in the new year. DCC will liaise with AGS.
- Graffiti Awareness "Think Don't Tag" Video is set to be launched by the Lord Mayor in early 2017
- □ Presentations 2016/2017 (for consideration)

Local Drugs Task Force

Dublin City Council - South East Area Community Development Team

Crime Prevention

Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána – Sport as an effective tool in engaging young people at risk of drug misuse into more structured and positive activities

J-ARC (Joint Agency response to Crime Initiative, launched 30.11.2015; This strategy confirms the joint commitment of the Garda Síochána, the Irish Prison Service and the Probation Service to target those recidivist offenders who are responsible for the majority of crime. In order to reduce crime and enhance public safety, the nominated prolific offenders will be managed through the co-ordination and integration of policy, practice and research between the organisations)

Juvenile Liaison officer.





Breviate of South East Area JPC Steering Committee (JPC) and representatives from the Community Safety Fora (CSF)

In accordance with the Joint Policing Committee Guidelines, the breviate of the meeting of the South East Area Joint Policing Steering Committee with representatives from the Community Safety Fora held on 10th November 2016 set out hereunder.

Order:

Follow ups from November & May meetings	Follow	ups fr	om Nov	ember 8	May	meetings
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- Annual Work Plan: Currently in place in Charlemont/Whitefriar Street CSF. To be considered by Ringsend/Irishtown CSF.
- □ Coordinator- The request for a Co-ordinator is not considered feasible at this time.
- □ Reporting Structure & Communication discussed .

South East Area Updates

- Presentation of 'Think Don't Tag' Video .
- Presentation of Dog Fouling Awareness Video (DCC engaged Irish International Rugby player Jamie Heaslip to produce a short video .

A.O.B.

- □ A letter of Invitation to Community Safety Fora to attend the December JPC meeting to be issued.
- ☐ Rickshaws issue discussed

Action: AGS to follow up

☐ Phone boxes – issue discussed

Action: DCC to liaise with AGS regarding the removal of eircom boxes at Kevin Street and Lord Edward Street which are regularly attracting anti-social behaviour.

- ☐ Begging issue discussed
- ☐ Ringsend Park DCC to examine possibility of removal park bench near Basketball area





Attendance

☐ Charlemont/White Friar Community Safety Forum

Councillor Mannix Flynn

☐ Ringsend/Irishtown Community Safety Forum

Garda Anthony Kelly Mary Doolin

☐ An Garda Síochána

Chief Superintendent Francis Clerkin

□ Dublin City Council

Rose Kenny, Area Manager Brian Hanney, Assistant Area Manager Eimear O Sullivan, Senior Staff Officer Leah Johnston, Staff Officer





Breviate of Charlemont /Whitefriar Community Safety Forum

To the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee

In accordance with the Local Policing Fora in Local Drugs Task Force Areas Guidelines, the breviate of the last meeting of the Charlemont/Whitefriar Community Safety Forum held 5th August 2016 is set out hereunder.

Order:

Minutes of	previous	meeting

- Issues around bike couriers/rickshaws, their dangers and unregulated use was discussed.
- ☐ Issues regarding the Aungier Street pitch discussed.
- □ A request was made for buses for community use.

Gerry Geoghegan (Vice-Chair)

Vice -Chairperson 5th August 2016

Attendance:

Community Representatives

Gerard Farrell (Resident), Dee Higgins (DePaul), Christy O'Grady (ACFC/Resident), Eugene O'Malley (Resident)

An Garda Síochána

Inspector Brendan Costello, Wayne Carey.

Dublin City Council

Gerry Geoghegan (Chair), Alice Morrissey (minutes)

Apologies:

Marie Malone (ST. Kevin's Community Council), Brendan Dowling (SAYS/WAACC), Maria Kelly (RCSI).

Absent:

Colm Browne (DTF), Mannix Flynn (DCC), Joseph Gannon (Gardai), Madeline Gantley (Resident), Paul McDonald (YMCA), Aidan Monahan (Gardai), Paul J. Murphy (Gardai), Michael Nagle (Gardai), Gerard Walsh (Gardai)





Breviate of Ringsend Irishtown Community Safety Forum

To the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee

In accordance with the Local Policing Fora in Local Drugs Task Force Areas Guidelines, the breviate of the meeting of the Ringsend / Irishtown Community Safety Forum held **Thursday 13th October 2016** in Irishtown stadium is set out hereunder.

Order:

	Minutes	of	previous	meeting
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☐ Issues around Halloween , prevention of bonfire material stockpiling and possible alternative events to avoid anti-social behaviour discussed .

Attendance:

Community Representatives

Mary Doolin (Community Rep), Sueann Moore (RCSF), Peter Dowling (St Pats CYC)

An Garda Síochána

Gerald Delmar (Garda), Noel Anthony Kelly (Garda), Hugh Shovlin (Garda), Conor O Neill (Garda)

Dublin City Council

Brian Kirk (DCC)

Apologies:

Cllr. Dermot Lacey (DCC), Leo Fitzpatrick (Parks), Teresa Weafer (RDRD)





HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 1 – COMMUNITY SAFETY

(An Garda Síochána Policing Plan – Goal 3)

Work together to ensure that people feel safe in their homes and their communities by reducing crime and the fear of crime

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives	Crime Prevention advice tweeted after quarterly meetings (where relevant) Safety information leaflets circulated to members Safety information leaflets circulated to all Community/Business Groups in the Area. Safety initiatives promoted by South East Area Councillors in clinics & newsletters. List of "Victim Help Groups" promoted by South East Area JPC	South East Area JPC	On going	Operation Thor continues. Burglaries are down on this time last year in DMRSC. All burglaries reported subject to Technical Examination and Crime Prevention advice given to victims. Community Safety week 20 th – 27 th September 2016. Crime Prevention Advice given to members of the public at Merrion Shopping Centre. Community Policing have structured ongoing engagement with elderly groups and held a Senior Citizens Christmas party for 160 seniors from the D.2 area in Alexander Hotel on 4 th Dec. Crime Prevention Day of Action held 8 th December 2016. Crime Victims Office operational in Pearse Street Garda Station. ITAS (Irish Tourist Victim Service)Office opened at Pearse Street Garda Station on the 20 th June 2016.

Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes in the area.	Neighbourhood Watch Stickers, crime prevention advice and booklets distributed through local Neighbourhood Watch meetings	An Garda Síochána	On going	Neighbourhood Watch Schemes remain active and Garda support is provided. Crime Prevention Literature and stickers are distributed in communities, circulated to watch schemes and also made available at Garda Stations. Crime prevention tips continue to be available from the Garda Web Site . The services of the Divisional Crime Prevention Officer is made readily available to victims of crime or, upon request, by any individual or commercial interest. "Retail Safety Day" day took place on the 8th December, 2016. A number of neighbourhood, business and campus watch meeting have taken place in Q4 2016.
Continue to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable persons and groups	Continued implementation of the Garda Diversity Strategy, the Garda Older People Strategy & the Safer Communities Campaign Continued engagement with individuals and victim groups. Continued liaison with Family Liaison Groups.	An Garda Síochána	On going	Gardai attached to the Garda Victim Service Office, Crumlin Station, liaise directly with victims of crime to ensure the provision of follow up support services. Investigating Gardai do likewise to ensure victims of crime are kept fully informed. Policing strategies take cognisance of Diversity and vulnerable groups in communities. Garda interaction is taking place, Community Safety weeks are regularly used and diversity training is planned in SC early 2017. Garda Community Policing Units maintain regular contact with senior citizens via phone, sits and visits to social events.

Work together to promote safe cycling & traffic safety in the city

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Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved		
Ensure that major events proceed with minimum disruption to business and movement in the city	Continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of planned and unplanned events in the South East Area	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	When planning for major events a key objective is always to minimise disruption for residents & businesses and to ensure free traffic flow.		
Work together to promote safe cycling in the city	Road Safety Awareness Programmes held in schools	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	A Pedal Cycle Compliance campaign will commence in 2017 emphasising safety awareness for those who continue to mount footpaths.		
				The Fixed Charge Penalty Notice System continues to deal with offending cyclists.		
				Locations where errant cyclists cause hazards for pedestrians & motorists are targeted so as to ensure high visibility enforcement of legislation.		
				"Safe Cycling" is promoted during Garda school visits and Road Safety talks have been delivered to businesses. Reflective yellow jackets are issued to cyclists to enhance awareness of "safe cycling" and RSA and Luas high-visibility bibs and track awareness information has been distributed. Ongoing Operations targeting theft of bicycles are using 'Info' Bikes to raise		
				theft awareness, and 'Bait' Bikes to target and arrest thieves.		

Create safer and more peaceful local communities by working together to promote public order and reduce anti-social behaviour in the South East Area

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána to continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of Events in the South East Area	An Garda Síochána and South East Area staff involved in the consultation process of all events in the area.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	Dublin City Council Events Section, other interested bodies and stakeholders and various An Garda Síochána Event Units work very closely to manage planned and unplanned events in the South East area, to minimise disruption to residential communities and commercial interests, to ensure free traffic flow and to ensure promoters comply with all legislation and guidelines.
Continue to implement bye-laws and existing legislation to combat drinking on open spaces and in public places throughout the area	Stringent application by An Garda Síochána is applied where large crowds gather particularly on event days (concerts, matches etc). Continued liaison with the licensed trade and those involved in the management of the night time economy	An Garda Síochána	On going	Legislation is enforced to combat the consumption of alcohol in public places and at events attracting large crowds. On/Off Liquor Licensing Premises are regularly inspected to ensure compliance with legislation by Licensees, who are periodically reminded of their obligations to ensure alcohol is sold responsibly. Applications for late night extensions to sell alcohol are thoroughly vetted so as to ensure justification. DCC Events Section and various AGS Event Units work very closely to manage planned and unplanned events in the South East area.

HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 2 – CRIME PREVENTION (An Garda Síochána Policing Plan – Goal 3)

To keep under review the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and antisocial behaviour and the factors underlying and contributing to the levels of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the South East Area

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Reduce property crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies	Crime "hotspots" targeted	An Garda Síochána	On going	"Operation Crossover" continues to be implemented and is designed to provide high visibility operational policing targeting and disrupting criminals. "Operation Thor", designed to target and disrupt criminals involved in committing burglaries and other forms of criminality, continues with the Burglary Response Unit performing intensive patrolling of residential communities daily aimed at preventing burglaries and other criminal acts. "Garda Days of action" have been implemented and designed to arrest wanted criminals, conduct searches of properties and provide high visibility operational and traffic policing. The services of An Garda Siochana Analysts are utilised to assist in identifying "crime hot spots" and unfavourable crime trends emerging to facilitate the implementation of an appropriate tactical Garda response. Operations PIER and Irene target anti -social behaviour and street public order issues.

Identify individual "hot spots" including laneways in the area in the context of antisocial behaviour.	Regular monitoring of "hotspots" including laneways is carried out by the Gardaí and Dublin City Council on an ongoing basis.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	Gardai deal sternly with offenders who engage in anti-social behaviour by way of Prosecution / Adult Caution Scheme / or the Juvenile Diversion Programme. Mountain Bike patrolling takes place in parks, laneways etc. to prevent the consumption of alcohol in public places. Operation THOR/ Operation Irene deploy extra patrols in night time economy. Dedicated Public Order Patrols each Thursday, Friday, Saturday evening, Sundays of Bank Holiday weekends, with additional Patrols deployed at Halloween. Patrols at Ringsend Park and the South Docks particularly at weekends to reduce public order incidents and street drinking.
The Local Authority & An Garda Síochána to develop ways of local collaboration to reduce incidents of particular crime	Promote the pilot pedal cycle registration scheme which is in operation in the E & D districts in an effort to thwart stolen bikes being circulated and to facilitate the return of "found" bikes to owners by the Gardaí.	An Garda Síochána	On going	The pilot pedal cycle registration scheme is still being evaluated in the "E" District to determine its effectiveness. Thefts of pedal cycles are down 3% from a DMR South perspective, (down 19% in the Rathmines sub-district; up by 53% in respect of the Sundrive sub-district) compared to 2015. Found Bikes continue to be advertised on Garda Flickr website Ongoing Operations use 'Info' Bikes to raise theft awareness, and 'Bait' Bikes to target and arrest thieves. Crime prevention advice is given to students regarding safety of pedal cycles.

To utilise a partnership approach to the removal of graffiti in the South East Area Cont'd	Ongoing liaison between Dublin City Council and the Gardaí. Evidence provided by Dublin City Council to An Garda Síochána in relation to graffiti incidents where relevant.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	From 1/1/2016 to 12/12/2016 the South East Area Office received 307 complaints in relation to graffiti in the area. 287 complaints have been closed with 20 left open for investigation. The 'Think Dont Tag ' video will launched early 2017.
Elimination of incidents of illegal dumping in the South East Area	Monitoring of litter black spots Enforcement of relevant legislation	Dublin City Council	On going	From 1/1/2016 to 12/12/2016 the South East Area Office received 1541 complaints in relation to illegal dumping in the area. 1524 complaints have been closed with 17 left open for investigation.

Continue to enforce the Criminal Justice Public Order Act 2011 (Begging Legislation) to combat begging in the area	Continued Garda Enforcement.	An Garda Síochána	On going	All patrolling Gardai are mindful of the public nuisance created by people engaged in begging and are constantly discouraging this behaviour. Operation PIER supports regular uniform patrols targeting begging within the core city centre business district Begging offences will continue to be monitored and legislation strictly enforced.
Provide Estate Management Statistics in relation to anti-social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes	Statistics provided for Quarterly meetings	Dublin City Council	Quarterly	From the period 8 th September to 12 th December 2016, 129 complaints were received. These are broken down as follows: No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - drug related was 21. No. Anti-Social Complaints per 1997 Act - not drug related was 37. No. Other Complaints (nuisance) was 71. No. of Interviews was 18. No. of Complaints dealt with by Housing Managers & Project Estate Officers in person or by phone was 16.

To reduce the levels of anti-social behaviour in public parks, open spaces and on beaches by improving co-ordination between An Garda Síochána, Dublin City Council and community representatives

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Establish regular liaison between An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council to address factors contributing to anti- social behaviour in public parks and open spaces	Regular meetings held between Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going	High visibility mountain bike patrols & uniform foot patrols performed in open spaces & public parks to ensure anti-social behaviour curtailed. Ongoing liaison with Park Superintendents in Merrion Sq. & St. Stephens Green with Community Policing, and between DCC, An Garda Síochána and all stakeholders in an effort to reduce antisocial behaviour in parks. Divisional Crime Prevention Office visited Ringsend Park and carried out an assessment which has been submitted to DCC and discussed at the Ringsend Safety Forum. Operation Thor Public Order patrols in area. Early morning patrols target rough sleepers in parks and ongoing liaison continues with DRHE/Outreach teams re volume of rough sleepers in D2.

To work together to provide alternatives to anti-social behaviour for young people (target audience age 10 – 21 years)

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
To support the use of sport as an effective tool in engaging young people at risk of drug misuse into more structured and positive activities	Co-ordinate and implement sustainable sporting programmes for young people of the South East Area	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	The Community Policing Unit and the Juvenile Liaison Officer interact with schools, clubs, parents in an effort to encourage youth to participate in sporting activities and thus divert them from straying into a criminal path. Provincial cricket sessions, held in the North County Cricket Club where a number of players from the South East Area are involved, will continue on Friday nights (5pm – 9.30pm) until late December and into the New Year. Players are between 10-18 years of age.
Support the work of the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme, the City of Dublin Youth Services Board, the South East Area Sports Development Officer, National Governing Bodies, School Completion Coordinator, Local Drugs Task Force and Local Community Groups	Identify priority groups through effective communication with the relevant organisations. Implement partnership programmes between the Sports Development Officer and the relevant groups.	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	The Juvenile Liaison Officer implements the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme aimed at supporting juveniles to deviate from a path of crime. The Garda Schools Programme continues to be implemented by Community Policing Gardai which is aimed at encouraging the young to remain law abiding. Late Night League: This long running and hugely successful initiative, a partnership programme between DCC, the FAI & An Gardaí Síochána, ran for 4 weeks each Friday night in Irishtown Stadium from 7pm – 9pm, commenced on November 18 th and culminated in 'finals night' in Ringsend Sports Stadium on December 9 th .

To continue to work in partnership with schools, community groups and centres to increase access for young people to sports and recreational facilities in the South East Area.	To provide sports programmes using city council facilities and facilities provided by other organisations. This is achieved by the continuing coordination of partnership programmes in the South East Area.	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council.	On going	The Community Policing Unit / Juvenile Liaison Officer interact with schools, clubs, parents in an effort to encourage the youth in participating in sporting activities. The Juvenile Liaison Officer implements the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme emphasising the benefits to juveniles of participating in sporting activities and encouraging parents to promote this. The Garda Schools Programme continues to be implemented by Community Policing Gardai. Transition Year Sports Programme: Ongoing every Tuesday from 2pm – 3pm in Gloucester Street Sports Hall.
To liaise with National Government Bodies in coordinating sports programmes .	Regular communication with National Government Bodies	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going	This work is continuing throughout the District Leinster Rugby/DCC Youth Mentoring Programme: Ongoing programme in Lansdowne R.F.C. This is a joint initiative between DCC/Leinster Rugby/Lansdowne R.F.C.

HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 3 –PROMOTING THE BENEFITS OF DIVERSITY WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

(Lord Mayors Commission on Anti-Social Behaviour & South East Area JPC)

To work together to promote the positive benefits of diversity within the community

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Promote Garda Services and the role of the Garda Ethnic Liaison Officers to make migrant communities aware of the Garda Intercultural and Diversity Office to encourage them to report crimes including racist incidents	Support community organisations to help promote good relationships between different communities and to establish links between immigrant communities and the Gardaí and facilitate and promote the appropriate reporting of racist incidents.	An Garda Síochána	On going	The Community Policing Units and Ethnic Liaison Officers interact with migrant communities to ensure they are familiar with the Garda services available to them, and encourage them to report any such crime. The services available from the Garda Intercultural and Diversity Office are availed of by local Gardai whenever applicable in their interaction with migrant communities. Ongoing liaison with GRIDO, Community Relations No report of a racist crime was made to the Gardai in 2016 to date. Diversity Seminar attended by 2 Sergeants and 6 Gardaí from Pearse Street. 1 Sergeant attended CEPOL diversity course in August 2016. Revised diversity strategy currently being developed at Garda Community Relations Section.

HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVE 4 - WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SOUTH EAST AREA JPC

(South East Area JPC)

To enhance the structure and relationship between the Joint Policing Subcommittee and the Community Safety Fora

Strategic Objectives	Summary of actions to be taken	Lead person/agency key partners	Timescale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved		
Enhance the structure and relationship between the Joint Policing Subcommittee and the Community Safety Fora Review & evaluate the effectiveness of JPC and CSF structures with the objective of improving performance.	Quarterly meetings of South East Area JPC Steering Committee to review and evaluate performance of JPC Bi- annual meetings with the Steering Committee and CSF representatives	JPC Steering Committee	Quarterly	No issues formally referred to JPC in Quarter 4. Bi-annual meeting held with JPC Steering Committee on 10.11.16. Pearse Street CSF meeting 7/12/2016 Ringsend/ Irishtown CSF 13/10/2016 Charlemont Street/ Whitefriar CSF met 5/8/16.		