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POLICING AUTHORITY

Policing Authority appoints Assistant Commissioner in the Garda Síochána

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The Policing Authority is pleased to announce that at its meeting yesterday, it appointed Patrick Clavin to the rank of Assistant Commissioner in the Garda Síochána. Assistant Commissioner Clavin was appointed to the role of Acting Assistant Commissioner in April 2020 and has had responsibility for Governance and Accountability in the Garda Síochána since that time.

Yesterday's appointment was made to fill a vacancy in the rank arising from an appointment to Deputy Commissioner earlier this month. The appointment was made following a selection competition that involved a three-staged process, conducted in accordance with the statutory framework and the Authority's Statement of Practice, arising from which Patrick Clavin was placed on the panel for appointment to the rank of Assistant Commissioner.

The Authority congratulates Assistant Commissioner Clavin and wishes him well in his future career.

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Notes for Editors

Biography of Assistant Commissioner Patrick Clavin

Patrick Clavin is from Oldcastle, Co Meath. He has 39 years policing experience in a variety of roles including mainstream policing, in the Garda National Immigration Bureau as a Detective Inspector, as Superintendent in Cahir, Co Tipperary and in Lucan and Blanchardstown Districts in Dublin. As a Chief Superintendent he served in Professional Standards and Internal Affairs in Headquarters, as Divisional Officer in DMR West. In August 2016 Patrick was appointed as the Chief Bureau Officer of the Criminal Assets Bureau, before being appointed as acting Assistant Commissioner in April 2020, when Assistant Commissioner McMahon was appointed as acting Deputy Commissioner. Patrick has a Bachelor of Arts in Public Management Degree (Administration of Justice Stream), a Masters in Science (Economics) in Policy Studies, a Post Graduate Diploma in Police Leadership, an Advanced Diploma in Corporate, Regulatory and White Collar Crime. He underwent the Leaders for Tomorrow Programme in Harvard University and has completed a number of professional policing courses in Ireland and abroad. In 2019 he completed the Strategic Command Course in the College of Policing in the UK.