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## Annual Report of the Joint Policing Committees 2021

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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 has not made any amendments to the existing guidelines to date, although their representatives continued to attend a number of JPC meetings during 2020.

The main purpose of these 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.

The Dublin City Joint Policing Committee 2019-2024 was originally chaired by Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick. However, following her election to the Seanad in 2020, Councillor Daithí De Róiste was re-elected unanimously as Chairperson in September 2020, with an agreement in place that the Chairmanship would be handed over to the Social Democrats Party for the second half of the current council term. Consequently, Councillor Tara Deacy was elected as Chair at the January 2022 meeting.

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 is currently 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 has been 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
Dublin Central:	Halloween Licensing / Off-licences Victim Support
Dublin North Central:	Policing / Crime Data Business night-time economy Graffiti / Dumping
Dublin North West:	C.C.T.V. Youth Services Family support

All Committees (Dublin City and the five Joint Policing Subcommittees) are to report under the above 3 headings in their Work Plans and Annual Reports going forward. However, these headings are not exclusive and Committees are also encouraged to report under any other headings deemed appropriate for their respective areas.

Meetings of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee are held every two months and take place in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Cork Hill, Dublin 2. Owing to the Pandemic, these meetings all took place remotely during 2021 and it is anticipated that this will continue for the foreseeable, with the possible introduction of hybrid meetings in the future.

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 Daithí De Róiste**  
**Chairperson**  
**27<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

## Report of Dublin City Joint Policing Committee

Dublin City JPC Annual Work Plan 2021 Update on meetings held during 2021						
Strategic Objectives		Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead Person/Agency	Timescale for action	Action taken
1.	Community Safety	<p>Department of Justice Guidelines</p> <p>Dublin City JPC: Approved process (February 2015) for development of <b>Dublin City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015-2021)</p> <p><u>High Priority Issues:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community Safety / confidence-building</li> <li>2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates</li> <li>3. Street crime</li> </ol>	Drugs Misuse	<p>Frank d'Arcy, Executive Manager, DCC (Frank replaced Brendan Kenny on the Committee following Brendan's retirement in October 2021)</p> <p>Anne Marie Cagney, Asst. Garda Commissioner (AGS)</p> <p>City Joint Policing Committee Chair: Councillor Daithí De Róiste (Councillor Tara Deacy assumed chairmanship with effect from January 2022)</p>	<p>Strategic priorities identified – February 2015</p> <p>Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015</p>	<p><u>Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (JPC)</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Standard reports are provided by An Garda Síochána and DCC to each meeting, in addition to presentations and reports from other agencies, as required.</p> <p>The Joint Policing structure is currently under review by the Department of Justice, 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</p>

						<p>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.</p> <p><u>Other issues discussed at JPC meetings include:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policing during Pandemic</li> <li>Homeless Services – updates</li> <li>Halloween Event – from security, safety and management of antisocial behaviour perspective</li> <li>Animal Welfare</li> <li>Garda Resources</li> <li>Drug Debt Intimidation</li> <li>Annual Work Plan</li> <li>Presentation delivered on “Building Resilient Communities”</li> </ul> <p><u>High Level Group on Street Issues (HLG)</u></p> <p>This group meets monthly and is chaired by the Lord Mayor. Its</p>
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					<p>membership includes representatives from Dublin City Council (DCC), An Garda Síochána (AGS), Health Service Executive (HSE) and Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP).</p> <p>The focus of this group is on issues affecting the city centre and bordering streets only, specifically drugs, drug-dealing, street drinking, antisocial behaviour etc. and bordering streets.</p> <p><u>Ana Liffey Drug Project (ALDP) &amp; Assertive Case Management Team (ACMT)</u></p> <p>Ana Liffey Drug Project's Assertive Case Management Team provides key working and case management to people who frequently come to the attention of An Garda Síochána, who are in active addiction and who do not have supports in place. The team works across three Garda Station areas - Store Street, Pearse Street and Kevin Street; and the team comprises of one Team Leader and four Project Workers.</p> <p>In 2021, the team provided services to 127 individuals. Of these people, 64 availed of key working or case management; and 63 people availed</p>
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						<p>of Harm Reduction interventions, signposting and brief supports.</p> <p>74 people were new to the service in 2021. 42 people were from the Dublin 1 &amp; Dublin 2 areas; and 32 people were from the Dublin 8 area. With regard to inward referrals to the team, 29 were direct referrals from An Garda Síochána; and 35 individuals were identified and assessed through assertive outreach.</p> <p>Examples of common supports provided by ACMT to our service users include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Addiction: Harm Reduction advice and needle exchange, relapse prevention supports and treatment referrals.</li><li>• Housing: Advocacy for emergency accommodation, STA and doing LTA application forms, Housing application forms</li><li>• Physical/Mental Health: Support to attend medical/hospital appointments, GP appointments, accessing drug supports in the community</li></ul>
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						<p>either by referring to GMQ medical or other Opioid Substitution Treatment clinics in the city.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal issues: Support to court, linking in with the probation service, solicitors and discussing cases at the Garda meetings. Keeping up to date with Court dates and reminding Service Users of their court dates.</li><li>• Linking in with appropriate services and maintain contact with the keyworkers through interagency work and overseeing the care plan.</li><li>• Family engagement and support.</li><li>• Engaging with the Service Users through assertive outreach, engaging with them through one-to-one meetings and discussing care plans.</li><li>• Referring clients to be assessed for Housing First through DCC.</li></ul> <p><u>Medically Supervised Injecting Facility (MSIF)</u> The application by Merchant's Quay Ireland (MQI) was listed on each agenda of the Dublin City Joint</p>
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						<p>Policing Committee (JPC), Dublin City Centre Business Forum (DCCBF) and the High Level Group (HLG) on Street Issues meetings. An Bord Pleanála approved the application in December 2019. However, a High Court challenge was subsequently brought by the school adjacent to the proposed centre. This was upheld by the High Court in July 2021.</p>
2.	Anti-social Behaviour		Address street crime/ issues	<p>High Level Group – Members comprise Dublin City Council officials, An Garda Síochána and Health Service Executive (HSE). Representatives from the Ana Liffey Drug Project attend as and when requested.</p>		<p><b><u>Dublin City Centre Business Forum (DCCBF)</u></b>  This Forum’s membership comprises the Lord Mayor, Dublin City Council, An Garda Síochána, and Business Representatives in the City. It is chaired by a retired Assistant Garda Commissioner and meets every two months.  The Forum addresses challenges faced by the Business Community, such as antisocial behaviour, begging, traffic issues etc.</p> <p><b><u>Dublin City JPC</u></b>  <i>See above</i></p> <p><b><u>High Level Group on Street Issues:</u></b></p>

					MSIF: <i>See above</i>
3.	Street Crime/Issues		Community Courts		<p>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).</p> <p><u>Housing Situation / Homelessness:</u> This is discussed at the meetings of the High Level Group (interagency group). Brendan Kenny also provides members with updates on the situation to meetings of both the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (JPC) and the Dublin City Centre Business Forum (DCCBF) which include up-to-date data on numbers of homeless individuals sleeping on the streets, availability of beds, new presentations and corresponding statistics.</p>

**Presentations / Reports / Updates to Dublin City Joint Policing Committee in 2020**

- Report of Deputy Chief Executive (to each meeting)
- Report of Assistant Garda Commissioner (to each meeting)
- Presentation from Community Engagement Bureau – An Garda Síochána
- Presentation on Restorative Practice – An Garda Síochána

- Presentation on Quad Bike / Scrambler Legislation – Minister of State, James Browne T.D.
- Presentation on Draft Antisocial Behaviour Strategy – Dublin City Council
- Presentation on Illegal Importation of Drugs through Dublin Port – Tom Talbot and Donnchadh Breathnach – Customs, Dublin Port Branch
- Knife Crime
- Building Resilient Communities
- Annual Work Plan

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

- Councillors: Lord Mayor Alison Gilliland (Ex-officio member), Daithí De Róiste (Chairperson), Mannix Flynn (Vice-chair), Tara Deacy, 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), Fergus Sharpe (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
- Garda Officials – Assistant Commissioner Anne Marie Cagney & Chief Superintendent Patrick McMenamin

#### **Number and date of meetings held during 2021**

6 meetings took place in 2021, all via Zoom, on the following dates:

26<sup>th</sup> January, 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 18<sup>th</sup> May, 6<sup>th</sup> July, 21<sup>st</sup> September, 16<sup>th</sup> November

**Note: Meetings originally scheduled for March, May and July 2020 did not take place owing to the Covid-19 Pandemic.**

# South East Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2021

Update on meetings held during 2021

Strategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead Person/Agency	Timescale for action	Action taken
1. <b>Community Safety/Confidence Building</b>	<p>Department of Justice Guidelines</p> <p>Dublin City JPC: Approved process (February 2015) for development of <b>Dublin City</b> 6-year Strategic Work Plans (2015-2021)</p> <p><u>High Priority Issues:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community Safety / confidence-building</li> <li>2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates</li> <li>3. Street crime</li> </ol> <p>Annual Work Plans (Action Matters for South East Area JPC listed to the left)</p>	<b>Community Safety/Confidence Building</b>	<p><b>Director of Services:</b> Derek Kelly <b>Area Manager:</b> Brian Hanney</p> <p><b>Garda Representatives:</b> Chief Superintendent Peter Duff, DMR South and Chief Superintendent Michael McElgunn, DMR South Central</p> <p><b>Chair:</b> Councillor Claire O'Connor <b>Vice-Chair:</b> Councillor Tara Deacy</p>	Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established February 2019	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p><b>An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council worked to develop ways of local collaboration to reduce incidents of Bike Theft</b></p> </div> <p>Cycle security advice briefings were held by Gardaí to encourage members of the public to be cycle-safety/security aware. Advice was given on the need for strong security locking devices on bicycles. Advice was given on the need to photograph and store cycle unique identity numbers.</p> <p>‘Garda Flickr website promoted to identify recovered bicycles and reunite them with owners.</p> <p>‘Blue Info Bikes’ were placed in areas of high bicycle use to promote bike safety and security, incorporating best practice for securing the bike.</p> <p>Staff at PEMS (Property) office continued efforts to return all seized and recovered bikes to their rightful owners through use of PULSE database.</p> <p>Photographs of stolen and found bikes put on the Garda Síochána Facebook page to gather information and return the bike to its rightful owner.</p> <p>School talks recommenced in Quarter 4 and bike safety was incorporated into these talks with the children.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Continued to implement bye-laws and existing legislation to combat drinking on open spaces and in public places</b></p> </div> <p>There was regular engagement with all local businesses and</p>

					<p>licensees across the South East Area to ensure compliance with the Intoxicating Liquor Act.</p> <p>Gardaí in Crumlin continued to target drinking in open spaces with intelligence-led policing concentrating on known hot spots. All Community Gardaí and core unit members in DMR South &amp; DMR South Central regularly patrolled the parks in the area to capture breaches of Liquor Licensing Laws, DCC Bye Laws and/or anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Gardaí continued to liaise with Dublin City Council in relation to the safe use of public spaces.</p> <div data-bbox="1451 627 2201 730" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p><b><i>Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives</i></b></p> </div> <p>Community Gardaí maintained their links with the community throughout the pandemic. Checks on vulnerable residents were carried out to ensure that the elderly and sick were being visited on a regular basis.</p> <p>Meetings with Residents &amp; Business Associations continued with Grand Canal Dock key stakeholders, i.e. Docklands Business Forum, Local Political Representatives, Arramark Property Management, Apleona, Grand Canal Dock Residents Association etc.</p> <p>Mobile phones were managed by Pearse Street ensuring that all calls from the vulnerable and elderly were answered.</p> <p>Continued liaison with University College Dublin, Royal College of Surgeons Ireland and Trinity College Dublin staff and residents throughout the year.</p>
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**Continued to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable persons and groups**

The Gardaí maintained a full service to victims of crime throughout the pandemic.

Welfare beats took place daily to engage with homeless, check their welfare and to inform them of homeless services.

Community Policing Gardaí continued to carry out multiple tasks for people who were cocooning. By the end of 2021, the number of people cocooning was very limited due to the elderly and vulnerable receiving their vaccine. The majority of elderly people were able to carry out their day-to-day activities without assistance.

Liaison with elderly groups continued in 2021.

Gardaí conducted Domestic Violence call-backs under **Operation Faoiseamh** to ensure the victims concerns were addressed. In person, call-backs to victims of domestic abuse and residential burglaries were conducted by Community Gardaí within 7 days of an incident throughout 2021.

In serious incidents Family Liaison Officer are appointed to liaise with families and keep them updated as to progress in a case.

The Divisional Garda Victims Service Office also liaised with victims of crime offering practical support and assistance.

**Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes**

					<p>Community Gardaí in DMR South and DMR South Central maintained their links with the Neighbourhood Watch schemes and continued to liaise with local representatives and residents in response to specific issues targeting anti-social and /or criminal behaviour.</p> <p>Crime Prevention advice was circulated through various outlets including the Local Policing Fora, the Link Magazine, Our Lady's Hospice, Mourne Road Mens Shed etc.</p> <p><b>Reduce Property Crimes such as burglaries, thefts &amp; robberies</b></p> <p><b>Operation Thor</b> continued in 2021. The objective is to have a focused, targeted and integrated approach to criminals involved in committing burglary related crime. All burglaries reported were subject to Technical Examinations &amp; Crime Prevention advice was given to victims.</p> <p>The Divisional Burglary Response Unit continued to tackle offenders and carried out targeted patrols across the South East Area.</p> <p>Prolific offenders were targeted and objections to bail made in the District Court. Bail was revoked before the District Court where breaches of bail were detected.</p> <p>The Crime Prevention Officer in DMR South Central conducted a number of security surveys and assessments to reduce the incidents of property crimes in the area.</p> <p><b>Operation Hybrid</b> was set up to tackle the increase in armed crime, to reduce same, to target known Organised Crime Gang</p>
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					<p>associates and prevent the ease of travel by offenders to commit crime using firearms. The benefits and success to the Hybrid to policing and the communities are significant and evident and it has impacted significantly on reducing serious criminality by Organised Crime Gangs and is under constant review on an ongoing basis.</p> <p><b>Continued to work together to provide alternatives to anti-social behaviour for young people (target audience 10 -12 years old)</b></p> <p>Despite the restrictions associated with the pandemic Gardaí continued to work with 2 Garda Youth Projects (BRU and Clay)</p> <p>Despite COVID restrictions Gardaí continued to be involved with local sporting clubs within the district on an ongoing basis and encouraged positive choices for young people through the Annual Garda Youth Awards</p> <p>Juveniles at risk were referred to the Special Garda Projects for engagement on an almost one- one basis</p> <p>Gardaí continued to work with young people through sport and other positive activities to promote healthy life choices. Dublin City Sport and Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) launched a virtual hub to ensure the continued work of supporting communities and young people across the city to stay physically and mentally active in a safe environment during the lockdown. DCSWP worked closely with South East Area Youth Projects over the summer months in the delivery of ongoing programmes/recreational activities aimed at young people. School programmes in the South East Area focussed on outdoor activities and water related programmes in</p>
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partnership with local youth services  
 Community Gardaí continued work with sporting organisations and DCSWP and Co-funded officers re-engaged with local schools to deliver multi-sport programmes (Athletics, Boxing, Cricket, Rowing & Rugby) following the return to education in September 2021.

Diversity Officers and Community Gardaí continued to support

**Continued to work together to promote the positive benefits of diversity within the community.**

new communities and encouraged them to report crime.

**Crime Statistics 2021**

**DMR South Central Division- Pearse Street & Donnybrook Districts (as at Week 46, 15/11/2020 )**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	515	<b>412</b>	<b>-20%</b>
<b>Robbery from the person</b>	102	<b>121</b>	<b>+19%</b>
<b>Robbery from the Establishment</b>	26	<b>32</b>	<b>+23%</b>
<b>Theft from the Person</b>	388	<b>204</b>	<b>-47%</b>
<b>Theft from MPV</b>	215	<b>218</b>	<b>+1%</b>
<b>Theft from shop</b>	1217	<b>1303</b>	<b>+7%</b>
<b>Theft (other)</b>	630	<b>528</b>	<b>-16%</b>
<b>Theft of Pedal Cycle</b>	600	<b>554</b>	<b>-8%</b>
<b>Property Crime</b>	3824	<b>3548</b>	<b>-7%</b>

	2020	2021	% Change
<b>Domestic Incidents</b>			
Breach of Barring Order	2	2	-0%
Breach of Protection Order	34	17	-50%
Breach of Safety Order	18	8	-56%
Child Neglect and Cruelty	2	2	-0%
Domestic Dispute (No Offence Disclosed)	180	193	+7%

**DMR South Division**

**Terenure District (Crime Statistics ending 1/12/21 in comparison with ending 1/12/20)**

	2020	2021	%Change
Burglary	160	99	-38.13%
Aggravated Burglary	1	2	+100%
Robbery from the person	12	20	-16.67%
Robbery from the Establishment	6	14	+133.33%
Theft from the Person	9	11	+22.22%
Theft from MPV	122	98	-19.67%
Theft from shop	296	338	+14.19%
Theft (other)	134	94	-29.85%
Criminal Damage	134	170	+26.87%
Theft/UT of vehicle	40	62	+55%
Fraud/Deception	80	107	+33.75%

						Sec 15 MD for Sale & Supply	42	21	-50%
						Sec 3 MD for Personal Use	290	190	-34.48%
						Public Order	157	165	+5.10%
						S3 Assault Causing Harm	34	44	+29.41%
						S2 Minor Assault	54	52	-3.70%
							2020	2021	
						<b>Domestic Incidents</b>			
						Breach of Barring Order	2	2	-100%
						Breach of Protection Order	13	11	-15.38%
						Breach of Safety Order	17	7	-58.82%
						Total Breaches of Orders	32	20	-37.50%
						Domestic Violence (No offence disclosed)	113	132	16.81%
						<b>Crumlin District</b>			
							2020	2021	%Change
						Burglary	106	171	-38.01%
						Aggravated Burglary	7	3	-57.14%
						Robbery from the person	19	9	-52.63%
						Robbery from the Establishment	14	6	-57.14%
						Theft from the Person	15	12	-20%

						<b>Theft from MPV</b>	144	<b>68</b>	<b>-52.78%</b>
						<b>Theft from shop</b>	492	<b>595</b>	<b>20.93%</b>
						<b>Theft (other)</b>	251	<b>202</b>	<b>-19.52%</b>
						<b>Criminal Damage</b>	361	<b>425</b>	<b>+17.73%</b>
						<b>Theft/ UT of Vehicle</b>	64	<b>68</b>	<b>+6.25%</b>
						<b>Fraud/Deception</b>	191	<b>110</b>	<b>-42.41%</b>
						<b>Sec 15 MD for Sale &amp; Supply</b>	114	<b>105</b>	<b>-7.89%</b>
						<b>Sec 3 MD for Personal Use</b>	243	<b>189</b>	<b>-22.22%</b>
						<b>Public Order</b>	216	<b>116</b>	<b>-46.30%</b>
						<b>S3 Assault Causing Harm</b>	70	<b>59</b>	<b>-15.71%</b>
						<b>S2 Minor Assault</b>	109	<b>86</b>	<b>-21.10%</b>
							<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	
						<b>Domestic Incidents</b>			
						<b>Breach of Barring Order</b>	4	<b>10</b>	<b>+150%</b>
						<b>Breach of Protection order</b>	44	<b>32</b>	<b>-27.27%</b>
						<b>Breach of Safety Order</b>	21	<b>21</b>	<b>0%</b>
						<b>Total Breaches of Orders</b>	69	<b>63</b>	<b>-8.70%</b>
						<b>Domestic Violence (No offence disclosed)</b>	315	<b>324</b>	<b>2.86%</b>
						<i>*It should be noted that in any reference to statistics, those statistics are professional, operational, liable to change and some possibly reclassified with the introduction of the Central Statistic s Office reports</i>			

3	Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates		Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates			<div data-bbox="1458 268 2159 400" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Estate Management Statistics in relation to anti-social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes</b></p> </div> <p>Complaints received and dealt with by South East Area Housing staff, in 2021 :</p> <p><b><u>South East Inner City/Pembroke Wards:</u></b>  Anti-Social Complaints , 1997 Act :  Drug-related - 94.  Not drug-related - 123.  Other Complaints (Nuisance) – 279  (Racial Harassment) - 4  576 complaints were dealt with by Housing Manager and Project Estate Officers.  208 Interviews were held.</p> <p><b><u>Kimmage/Rathmines Ward:</u></b>  Anti-Social Complaints, 1997 Act :  Drug-related - 6.  Not drug-related - 4.  Other Complaints (Nuisance) - 272.  282 complaints were dealt with by Housing Manager and Project Estate Officers.  29 Interviews were held.</p>
2.	Street Crime		Street Crime			<div data-bbox="1458 1150 2199 1278" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>Continued to target the organised crime groups harming communities through violence and the sale and supply of drugs</b></p> </div> <p><b>Operation PIER</b> members targeted organised begging in the problem areas namely Grafton St, Georges Street, Lower Baggot Street, Ranelagh, Sandymount Village</p>

					<p><b>COMPOL &amp; Operation PIER</b> made continued efforts to target sale and supply of drugs in the B District, specifically within environs of Pearse House and Mercer House.</p> <p>CCTV systems were installed which have been a huge asset to the area. Challenges include the increase of incidents between rival groups in the Pearse Street V Store Street Area. A comprehensive Policing Plan is in force to deal with this specifically.</p> <p>Community Policing Members in Donnybrook continued to patrol the main areas of drug dealing, namely Whelan House /O’Rahilly House complexes and Beech Hill. Proactive Patrols (uniform and plain clothes) were ongoing.</p> <p>The Crumlin District Drug Unit actively targeted known drug dealers and concentrated much of their efforts in local parks where individuals gather to sell drugs.</p> <p>Breaches of the Misuse of Drugs Act around the National Drugs Act around the National Drug Treatment Clinic were targeted. Drug testing devices are now in use at some checkpoints and this has resulted in the number of drug driving arrests up in 2021.</p> <div data-bbox="1444 1061 2206 1204" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p><b>Create safer and more peaceful local communities by working together to promote public order and reduce anti-social behaviour in the South East Area.</b></p></div> <p>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.</p>
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						<p>Hi-Viz Operation at Glovers Court and Mercer House took place in the evenings to discourage anti-social and criminal behaviour</p> <p>A number of protests took place in 2021, Policing Plans were prepared and there was a strong police presence at all times.</p> <p>Community engagement is enhanced by continued support of the Police and Community Engagement (PACE) project through Teenagers &amp; Gardaí (TAG), Community Text Alerts, Late-night Leagues and Neighbourhood Watch schemes.</p> <p>Through <b>Operation Soteria</b> 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.</p> <p><b>Operation Tombola</b> – Increased numbers of uniform Gardaí in the run up to and including Halloween.</p> <p><b>Operation Citizen</b> was launched in October. It is a joint initiative between South Central and North Central. The main objective is to prevent &amp; detect anti-social behaviour in identified zones</p>
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#### **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
- Dublin City Council: Derek Kelly (Director of Services ) and Brian Hanney ( Area Manager)
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**Number and dates of Meetings held via Zoom during 2021**

**4 JPC meetings** were held on the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 24<sup>th</sup> June, 23<sup>rd</sup> September and 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021

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

# South Central Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2021

## Update on meetings held during 2021

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2.	Antisocial Behaviour – Housing Estates		Estate Management		<p><b>Quarterly Estate Management Statistics</b> for the Ballyfermot and South West Inner City areas were listed on all meeting Agendas for 2021 i.e.  25<sup>th</sup> January, 2021  26<sup>th</sup> April, 2021  26<sup>th</sup> July, 2021  18<sup>th</sup> October, 2021</p> <p>Presentation on Draft Anti-social behaviour Strategy for DCC presented at the July 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting</p> <p><b>Drugs Task Force Meetings 2021</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Name</th> <th>No. of Meetings</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Canal Communities Drug Task Force</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dublin 12 Drugs Task Force</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ballyfermot Drugs Task Force</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SICDATF Drugs Task Force</td> <td>10</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Local Policing Forum Meetings 2021</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Name</th> <th>No. of Ordinary Meetings</th> <th>No. of Public Meetings</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Canal Communities LPF</td> <td>7</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SWIC (South West Inner City) LPF</td> <td>8</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dublin 12 LPF</td> <td>6</td> <td>1</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Name	No. of Meetings	Canal Communities Drug Task Force	10	Dublin 12 Drugs Task Force	9	Ballyfermot Drugs Task Force	8	SICDATF Drugs Task Force	10	Name	No. of Ordinary Meetings	No. of Public Meetings	Canal Communities LPF	7	1	SWIC (South West Inner City) LPF	8	1	Dublin 12 LPF	6	1
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**Dublin South Central Joint Policing Committee Membership 2021**

- Councillors: Daithi Doolan, (Chairperson), Daithí De Róiste, Máire Devine, Vincent Jackson, Darragh Moriarty, Michael Pidgeon, Tina MacVeigh, Sophie Michael Watters and Hazel de Nortúin
- Deputies: Patrick Costello, Joan Collins, Aengus O Snódaigh, Bríd Smith
- Community Representatives: Aoife Carragher, Joseph Fitzgerald
- South Central Area Manager: Derek Kelly since October 2021
- Garda Officials: Chief Superintendents Michael McElGunn, Finbarr Murphy and Peter Duff

**4 Meetings were held in 2021:**

25th January, 2021  
26th April, 2021  
26th July, 2021  
18th October, 2021

# North Central Area JPC Annual Work Plan – 2021

## Update on meetings held during 2021

Strategic Objectives	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) <u>High Priority Issues:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community Safety / confidence-building</li> <li>2. Antisocial Behaviour / Housing estates</li> <li>3. Street crime</li> </ol> Annual Work Plans	Policing / Crime data	Director of Services (DCC): Karl Mitchell  Gardaí: Chief Superintendent Mark Curran., Superintendent Mark O'Neill (replaced by Supt Ronan Barry in April), Supt Darren McCarthy, Insp Brian Kavanagh.  Chair: Councillor Tom Brabazon	Annual work plans for six JPC Committees established – February 2015	Garda updates and statistics at each JPC meeting. There was a lot of discussion around Garda Resources. Rise in numbers of domestic abuse cases due to Covid 19 were discussed at numerous meetings. Presentation on drug related intimidation given by Insp Dermot McKenna at the January meeting. Following up from the Jack Nolan report on Socio-economic status of Darndale, an implementation oversight group (IOG) was formed with Gardaí, DCC, HSE, CDYSB, CDETE, Dept. Justice, Dept. Social Protection among others to tackle the issues and recommendations in the report. Community Representative Forum was also formed to allow community involvement in tackling the issues. CDYSB employed outreach workers to liaise with drug users on the streets as part of this process. Garda clinic operating one day a

					<p>week in Darndale, Edenmore and Donaghmede/Clongriffin areas. Presentation made at the July meeting on Fraud and economic crime.</p>
2.	Antisocial Behaviour – Housing Estates		Business night-time economy		<p>There are still issues with Joy-riding of cars and and scramblers in the Darndale area. Late-night soccer leagues in Darndale had been suspended during Covid but are now back up and running enticing kids from 10 to 16yrs to play soccer on a Friday evening rather than roaming the streets. Local community in Darndale are looking for more Garda presence in the estate. Discussion at July meeting on the Citizens assembly on drugs.</p>
3.	Street Crime		Graffiti / dumping		<p>There was a lot of discussions on the illegal dump in Darndale. Gardaí and DCC linked in to plan for the run in to Halloween. Very successful raids to take pallets and tyres etc. from stockpiles. Halloween night in Darndale while still having a few bonfires, still continues to improve by the year. There were no fireworks displays due to Covid but there were 4 laser light shows throughout the North Central Area.</p>

### **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 Mark O'Neill (replaced by Supt Ronan Barry in April), Supt Darren McCarthy, Insp Brian Kavanagh

**Business & Community representatives:** Rose Wall, Linda Hayden and Con Clarke

### **Number of meetings held during 2021 and dates.**

18<sup>th</sup> January, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 19<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> October

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

The Belmayne/Clongriffin, Edenmore, Darndale & Donaghmede Safety Fora were suspended during 2021 due to Covid-19.

### **Meetings of the Darndale Implementation oversight group occurred once a month from February to December on line.**

These were attended by DCC, Gardai, HSE, CDYSB, CDETE, NSP, DOJ, DSP among other groups/agencies; tackling the issues and recommendations highlighted in the Jack Nolan Report, Darndale, a long view and an enduring journey.

## Cabra/Glasnevin JPC Annual Work Plan – 2021

Update on meetings held during 2021

Strategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead Person/Agency	Timescale for action	Action taken
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					included in the next meeting on 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 10.30 am.
2.	Antisocial Behaviour – Housing Estates		Business night-time economy		<p>Observations were made regarding begging at the Cabra Shops and how it is having an impact on the general appearance of the area and the business in the area. Footpaths being blocked etc.</p> <p>Gardaí will engage with the schools regarding Halloween and the dangers of fireworks and bonfires etc. Juvenile liaison officers were working closely with young people on this anti-social behaviour. There is an increased visibility of garda within the community.</p>
3.	Street Crime		Graffiti / dumping		<p>Halloween</p> <p>DCC to coordinate and circulate contact list to Gardaí and Gardaí required to give details of their contact list.</p> <p>Garda presence required to accompany Breffni truck for pickups.</p> <p>DCC to establish what time Breffni will operate trucks until.</p> <p>A) DCC to organise leaflets for target areas in the community and also in the Market Areas and the Industrial Estate. DCC</p>

					<p>to organise and print.</p> <p>Very successful cooperation last year. Pallets were crushed in the Markets Area and Dublin Industrial Estate had a litter warden and Garda presence to remind business to keep their premises clear of pallets and other materials.</p> <p>The Area Manager looked for the Gardaí to visit premises in the Markets Area to ask business not to stockpile their pallets.</p> <p>B) It is anticipated that the contractors will work up until 9 pm Halloween but this will be confirmed nearer to Halloween and an unmarked truck will be in use for this.</p> <p>C) The Housing Team and Community Team will be organising parties and small events to divert any children from attending bon fires etc.</p> <p>D) The Area Housing Manager advised that the St Finbar's Site and O'Devaney Gardens sites will be monitored and any materials will be taken by Housing Maintenance</p>
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						<p>E) A good working relationship has been established with Dublin Fire Brigade in promoting the danger of fireworks and bonfires etc.</p> <p>The Area Manager stated that if any materials were identified in the area they could be reported to <a href="mailto:litter.central@dublincity.ie">litter.central@dublincity.ie</a> or by calling the Cabra Office at 01-2227400.</p>
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Membership

Councillors: Cieran Perry, Seamas McGrattan, Cat O’Driscoll, Darcy Lonergan, Eimer McCormack, Colm O’Rourke and Declan Meenagh

Oireachtas Members: Senator Mary Fitzpatrick, Senator Emer Currie, Senator Marie Sherlock

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Business & Community representatives: Colm Dunleavy, Navan Road Community Council, Seamus Etherson, Business Rep, Cabra Road Shops

Niall Counihan, Cabra Policing Forum, John Bennett, Finglas/Cabra Drugs Task Force

Number of meetings held during 2021 and dates

11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 due to Covid restrictions

Public Meetings / Policing / Drugs Fora meetings etc.

Navan Road/Pelletstown Community Policing Forum - Issues are broad based and include anti-social behaviour issues, traffic and road-safety related issues, park issues, crime prevention advice and issues relating to graffiti removal etc.; meetings held 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2021, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 and 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

**North West Area  
Joint Policing Sub Committee  
Annual Work Plan 2020/21**

	<b>Strategic Objectives</b>	<b>Origin</b>	<b>Summary of actions to be taken</b>	<b>Lead person/agency key partners</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
1	Keeping People Safe-Crime	Garda Policing Plan	<p>Reduce crime and the fear of crime through multi-agency diversionary activities, providing crime prevention advice and responding to evolving threats.</p> <p>Enhance our capacity to identify and deprive criminals of illegally obtained assets.</p> <p>Reduce community harm issues especially the sale and supply of illegal drugs (organised crime) and crimes against property such as burglary.</p>	An Garda Síochána	<p>3 Successful TAG (Teenagers and Gardaí) programmes run in Finglas.</p> <p>Successful application for funding to the FAN and EFFORT Youth Diversion Programmes in Finglas to support Scrambler Initiative. As per announcement by The Minister of State for Law Reform, James Browne TD, along with Minister for Justice Helen McEntee TD -€10,000 allocated to Finglas</p> <p>Training of extra CAB profiling officers in Finglas. Continued use of Proceeds of Crime and Money Laundering Legislation.</p> <p>Ongoing initiative in Finglas to target illegal drugs in the Barry area.</p>

					Successful targeting of OCG and partnership engagement with DCC to remove these persons from DCC property and recover same.
2	Community Policing	Garda Policing Plan	<p>Continue to further engage with communities and stakeholders, listening to and understanding their policing needs and working in partnership to address them.</p> <p>Establish a roadmap to ensure our services are accessible to all, thus improving the community's quality of life</p>	An Garda Síochána	<p>DCC &amp; AGS met with concerned residents (on-line &amp; in person) in relation to anti-social behaviour in the Poppintree Area. A number of actions were agreed and implemented. An internal working group was set up to ensure on-going monitoring and review of actions agreed we will continue to meet with residents and stakeholders in 2022.</p> <p>Online and, in person engagement by community Police in Finglas Safety Forum thus providing enhanced and direct response to community issues</p>
3	Keeping People Safe-Roads	Garda Policing Plan	<p>Contribute to the Government Road Safety Strategy, working in partnership on education and targeting enforcement activities to reduce deaths and serious injuries</p> <p>Safeguarding road users by an increase in key lifesaver offence enforcement and detections</p>	An Garda Síochána	Successful application for funding to the FAN and EFFORT Youth Diversion Programmes in Finglas to support Scrambler Initiative. (See 1 above).

			<p>(speeding, seatbelts, mobile phones and driving under the influence).</p> <p>Disrupt known criminals' activities through strict enforcement of road traffic legislation and denying them the use of the roads.</p>		
4	Safer Streets	Citywide JPC	<p>Additional mobile and beat patrols in North West Area to ensure a safer environment.</p> <p>Explore alternative methods of communication during Covid-19 Pandemic.</p> <p>Safety Fora to increase online presence to disseminate information to the public.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p> <p>Dublin City Council</p> <p>Finglas Safety Fora Coordinator</p>	<p>Efforts made to ensure alternative methods of communication were offered to the community, i.e. meetings via online, engaging with residents via email and text. Safer Ballymun explored the option of holding on-line public safety meetings but there was little or no desire from residents to attend such meetings. Other agencies and stakeholder such as Ballymun Network for Children, Drugs Task Force, BRYR, and Young People at Risk agreed to attend however, we already meet with these agencies on a regular basis on-line.</p> <p>The Finglas &amp; Ballymun Safety Forum regularly updates all social media platforms e.g. Twitter and Facebook.</p> <p>An Garda Síochána participated in online Finglas Safety Forum meetings through the pandemic.</p>

5	Tackling Drugs	Citywide JPC	<p>A multiagency approach through AGS and DCC to tackle drug problem across North West Area.</p> <p>Safety Fora to circulate information on drug-related support and reporting on drug litter.</p>	Dublin City Council. An Garda Síochána Task Forces	<p>Ballymun LDATF continues to provide a multi-agency response to drug/alcohol use involving prevention, intervention, community education/awareness, family support treatment, rehabilitation and outreach based interventions for young people and drug users.</p> <p>Cabra Community Policing Forum - Newsletter and awareness raising literature produced in conjunction with AGS, Youth Services routinely circulated during year to residents and local organisations door to door and via social media.</p>
6	Small Areas Policing	Citywide JPC	Implementation of SAPs policing in H District through Sgt. Moran NPU Ballymun and Sgt. Monahan NPU Santry.	An Garda Síochána	Sector Policing active in the H District in 2021.
7	Provide an Outreach service for areas in the NWA	Finglas Cabra Drug & Alcohol Task Force Ballymun Task Force	<p>Outreach worker to operate from a unit in the Barry Shops complex.</p> <p>Provide an Outreach service for Poppintree &amp; Courts Area.</p>	Finglas Cabra Drug & Alcohol Task Force Ballymun Task Force	<p>Youth and Drug related Outreach continue to be offered by services of Ballymun LDATF across the entire Ballymun area, including Poppintree and Courts areas.</p> <p>Finglas Cabra - Multi-agency Outreach response developed</p>

					during lockdown supported and delivered by Finglas Cabra Local Drug & Alcohol Task Force, Finglas Safety Forum, DCC, AGS, HSE Social Inclusion, Youth Services continuing to respond to outreach needs in the Barry area of Finglas West.
8	Support the September recovery programme campaign	Finglas Addiction Support Team	Multiagency support for a month-long campaign in both Ballymun & Finglas.	FAST DCC	Recovery month had a range of activities rolled out by a partnership of local services in Ballymun, Finglas and Cabra Areas. DCC supported the programme and assisted with roll out. There were also combined events organised between Finglas & Ballymun including a walk.

## Annual Report North West Area Joint Policing Sub Committee 2020/2021

### **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 February 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 2020**

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic our scheduled meetings for March and June were cancelled. The Councillors requested a briefing session with An Garda Síochána which was held online via Zoom on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Two further meetings were held online via zoom: 28<sup>th</sup> September and 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Number of meetings held during 2021**

The NWA JPC held 4 meetings in 2021, all meetings were successfully held online via Zoom:

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2021

### **Steering Committee meetings held in 2020**

Two Meetings held: 16<sup>th</sup> September and 3<sup>rd</sup> December, online via Zoom.

### **Steering Committee meetings held in 2021**

The NWA JPC held 4 Steering Committee meetings in 2021, all meetings were successfully held online via Zoom:

- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### **Ballymun Safety Fora Update 2021**

**The Ballymun Safety Forum Steering Committee held two meetings in 2021.**

- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2021

### **Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána met on the following dates to discuss Safety issues and agree actions to be implemented**

- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2021
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### **Ballymun Safety Forum Meetings / Updates**

Due to the pandemic and public safety guidelines, no public forums/safer Ballymun meetings took place in 2021. Our Housing, Public Domain and Community Development teams continued to link in with residents and vulnerable citizens to ensure that we continue to offer on-going support to all and address concerns/issues as they arise. We explored the option of holding on-line public safety meetings but there was little or no desire from residents to attend such meetings to discuss safety or sensitive matters. Other agencies and stakeholder such as Ballymun Network for Children, Drugs Task Force, BRYR, and Young People at Risk agreed to attend however, Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána already meet with these agencies on a regular basis on-line and we discuss issues raised. Both agencies met with stakeholders and residents on numerous occasions.

### **Ballymun Safety Fora Update 2021**

The Ballymun Safety Strategy 2021 - 2024 was approved and adopted by the North West Area Joint Policing Subcommittee in March 2021. A number of commitments were agreed between Dublin City Council, An Garda Síochána and the Ballymun Local Drugs Task Force. An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council have meet monthly to addressed areas of concern and issues raised by residents and public reps. Short term actions have being agreed and implemented to address anti-social behaviour and drug dealing in specific locations. Dublin City Council have established a Youth Advocacy Group in

Ballymun it is the intention that these youths will engage with the Safer Ballymun Network and will be represented on the Safer Ballymun Steering Committee. We endeavour to bring their voice, ideas and potential solutions to issue raised to fruition.

Dublin City Council & the Ballymun Local Drugs Task Force secured funding to appoint an External Safety Coordinator to coordinate the delivery of the actions in the plan. We advertised the post in December 21, however none of the candidate that applied met the criteria outlined. We will re-advertise the post in 2022.

### **Finglas Safety Fora Update 2021**

#### Safety Forum Meetings

A round of Safety Forum meetings in the respective areas of Finglas took place via zoom, as in person meetings were not permitted at this time.

The meetings via zoom took place on the following dates:

- Finglas West 19th May 2021
- Finglas South 24th May 2021
- Finglas East 17th June 2021

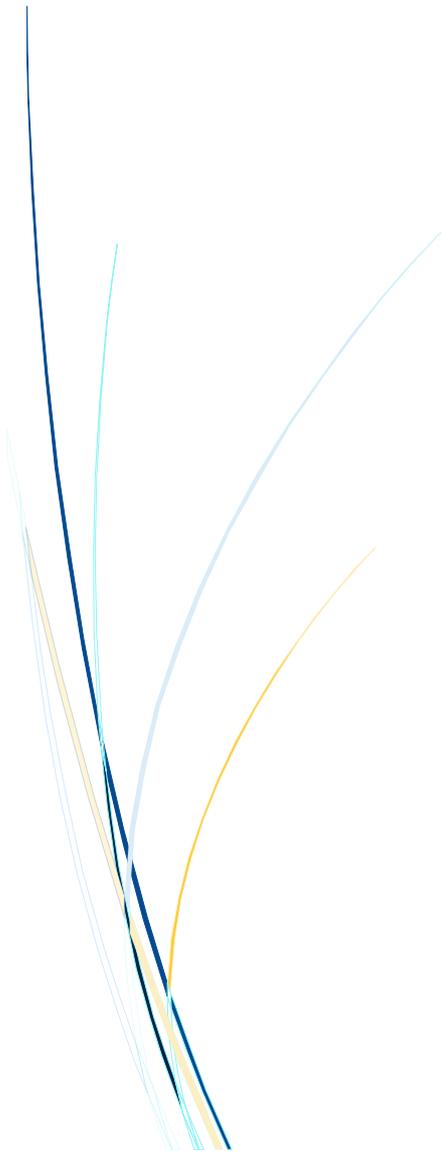
A further round of meetings took place in person, on the following dates:

- Finglas West 8th November 2021
- Finglas East 9th November 2021
- Finglas South 15th November 2021

All COVID 19 regulations and guidelines were followed e.g. mask wearing, hand sanitizer provided on entry and COVID 19 vaccination certificates were required upon entry.



## Update on the Dublin North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership



## Overview

The Dublin North Inner City Local Community Safety Partnership (LCSP) was established on a 24-month pilot basis to help promote community safety across the 10 neighbourhoods within Dublin's North Inner City.

The neighbourhood zones in Dublin's North Inner City are broken down as follows<sup>1</sup>:

- City Centre East
- City Centre North
- City Centre West
- Clonliffe/Ballybough
- East Wall/North Lotts
- Halston Street/Inns Quay
- Montpelier/Arbour Hill
- Sheriff Street/IFSC,
- Smithfield/Broadstone, and
- Dublin Port.

The independent Chairperson for North Dublin Inner City LCSP, Mr. Cormac Ó'Donnchú, was appointed in February 2021. In late April he was joined by the Local Community Safety Coordinator, Patrick Craig, followed by the Local Community Safety Administrator, Rachel Meade, in May.

In October 2021, Patrick Craig resigned from the position of Community Safety Coordination. The position was filled, without delay, by Sonya Keniry and with little impact on the Partnership.

The Partnership is still in its embryonic phase and is continuing to scale in activity. While the LCSP support and adhere to public health guidelines, the impact of the global pandemic has impeded the natural events generally associated with community engagement and board formation. In addition, a temporary cessation while there was a staff changeover and the Christmas break has also had an impact on the progress of setting up the service.

That said, many milestones have been achieved since the formation of the Partnership in July and the LCSP is in a strong position to continue with the work it has been tasked with.

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<sup>1</sup> The distinction between neighbourhood zones was pre-determined based on the An Garda Síochána Community Policing map.

## **Board Formation and Meetings**

The Partnership's Board of members is still in the process of establishing itself and has met on two occasions to date; once virtually on the on the 29th of July 2021, and the second in-person on the 28th of October 2021.

The next meeting is scheduled for the 17<sup>th</sup> of February and will be held in Ozanam House. The easing of Government restrictions will provide an opportunity for the Board members to meet in person and to start to build relationships and focus on issues of concern regarding community safety and begin the work of how best to tackle them.

There is provision for 30 places on the LCSP Board. Currently 24 positions have been filled drawing from a diverse cross section of the community, which includes representation from An Garda Síochána (AGS), publically elected representatives and the Local Authority. Some of the agencies invited to join the Board are strategic so as to allow for a broader response to community safety. These include a representation from Tusla, HSE and NEIC and 5 community members who reside across the North Inner City. There is also representation from the business community, youth groups and social projects.

There are 6 vacancies remaining on the board and they include a representation from the Local Drugs Task Force, a representation from the voluntary sector and one more resident from the north inner city (EAST).

The Board will be tasked primarily with writing a safety plan. To assist with this task the Board has been invited to visit Derry and see at first hand the gains that have been made by its equivalent Local Community Safety Partnership.

### **Information Sharing Event: Derry/Strabane Community Safety Partnership**

Plans are currently underway for Board members to visit Derry in late May of this year. The Dublin Inner City LCSP Coordinator has met with her counterpart on two separate occasions with the view to planning this visit and prioritising what would be of most benefit to the Board to see.

It is intended that the Coordinator and the Administrator of the LCSP will make a scouting visit in February and attend some of the community safety meetings virtually to assist complete the plan for the visit.

## **Community engagement to date and proposals for further community outreach**

**Neighbourhood meetings:** Between May and October of 2021 a number of local neighbourhood meetings were held. It should be noted that of the 10 neighbourhoods identified within the Dublin North Inner City Area, Halston Street/Inns Quay and Dublin Port were initially considered not to be viable for meetings due to lack of engagement. In October, Halston Street/Inns Quay and Smithfield/Broadstone were amalgamated, as Halston Street/Inns Quay was not viable for an individual meeting at this time. A meeting was held with Dublin Port representatives, as this is a self-contained business area with no residential population.

In total 16 community safety meetings were held across the 10 neighbourhoods with various levels of engagement. Issues raised at these meetings were varied and include, but were not limited to;

- On street drug taking and dealing,
- Street lighting,
- Anti-social behaviour, and
- Litter/street cleanliness.

Updates were given where relevant from An Garda Síochána. While the community safety meetings had some positive outcomes the attendance was poor on several occasions. As a result, a review of how these meetings are convened and managed is currently underway, and it is intended to resume engagement in a revised format in the near future.

**Bike marking scheme:** In addition to the community safety meetings other gains were made by the Partnership. These included a bike marking scheme piloted with the food delivery drivers. Following a tragic fatal incident in East Wall, in January 2021, one of the issues that came to light was that food delivery drivers are frequently the subject of bicycle theft. The property marking scheme was provided free of charge, and piloted in conjunction with An Garda Síochána and LCSP. It is intended to resume this pilot and build on its success.

**National Learning Network (NLN):** Links were also forged with NLN (REHAB Group) which is temporarily located in Cathal Brugha Street. Together the principal of the NLN and LCSP Coordinator established a working relationship to assist in building the confidence of the student body of NLN of their safety while studying in the Inner City. Links with the NLN will be resumed in the first quarter of this year. Additionally, work with the NLN will scale to include introductions to AGS Community Policing and Crime Prevention teams.

Street Safety/Lighting: Further gains were made in the City Centre where it had been reported that residents and visitors felt unsafe due to poor public lighting or lights being defective. This issue was particularly evident in the case in the older and female population. Most defective lights were repaired or replaced quickly. This was also the case when broken windows and fly tipping was reported to the relevant agencies. Issues were resolved quickly and without incident. These improvements to the local environment contribute substantially to improved sense of public safety.

Killarney Court: The LCSP was aware of persistent reports of ASB in Killarney Court. The LCSP, in association with AGS COMPOL, arranged for the Community Garda to have direct engagement with the residents; and high-visibility patrols. The security guard for the complex had also reached out to youth services in the area to help divert the youth actions to a more positive role. The youths have since desisted from entering the complex.

Dance school: A meeting took place between the LCSP Chair, a member of the Board, and the members of a local dance school. The youths noted a lack of lighting while leaving their class created a feeling of fear and insecurity. The LCSP contacted DCC and arranged for lighting to be installed. The youths have agreed to undertake a street clean, and have agreed to appoint a liaison to feedback to the Partnership.

### **Current undertakings of the LCSP**

Communications: Legacy Communications has been engaged to devise a specific advertisement campaign targeted at particular areas of concern for local residents and visitors to the North Inner City, starting with littering and dog fouling.

Submission to Oireachtas: The LCSP Chair was invited to tender a written submission to the Oireachtas, on the subject of anti-social behaviour. This submission was issued to the Oireachtas on 21 January 2022, and the Chair has requested feedback. We currently await a response.

CES evaluation: In 2021, community safety pilots were also established in Longford and Waterford. All three pilots are being monitored and evaluated by the Centre for Effective Services (CES), on behalf on University of Limerick. The Chair and Coordinator are tasked with making representations to the Board members to promote engagement with the evaluation process. While participation is voluntary, Board engagement is considered of value. The outcome of the evaluation and success of the pilots will form the basis of a national rollout of Community Safety Partnerships.

Relationship Building: The LCSP are continuing to forge relationship within partner organisations, agencies, pilot schemes etc.

## ***Appendices:***

### **Community Safety Meetings Breakdown – Numeric Comparative Analysis**

#### **Number of meetings:**

A total of 8 meetings were held between May 07 and May 27 2021. It is noted that of the 10 neighbourhoods identified within the Dublin North Inner City Area, Halston Street/Inns Quay and Dublin Port were not viable for meetings at the time, due to lack of engagement.

#### **Attendance<sup>2</sup>:**

The number of attendees is broken down in the table below:

<b>Community Safety Meetings : Attendance May-21</b>		
<b>06/05/2021</b>	City Centre North	22
<b>17/05/2021</b>	City Centre East	3
<b>18/05/2021</b>	Clonliffe/Ballybough	14
<b>19/05/2021</b>	Sheriff Street/IFSC	6
<b>24/05/2021</b>	East Wall/North Lotts	6
<b>25/05/2021</b>	Smithfield/Broadstone	6
<b>26/05/2021</b>	Montpelier/Arbour Hill	1
<b>27/05/2021</b>	City Centre West	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>

#### **Issues Raised**

The number of thematic issues raised at each meeting is listed below

<b>Community Safety Meetings : Issues Raised May-21</b>		
<b>06/05/2021</b>	City Centre North	10
<b>17/05/2021</b>	City Centre East	4
<b>18/05/2021</b>	Clonliffe/Ballybough	10
<b>19/05/2021</b>	Sheriff Street/IFSC	9
<b>24/05/2021</b>	East Wall/North Lotts	13
<b>25/05/2021</b>	Smithfield/Broadstone	9
<b>26/05/2021</b>	Montpelier/Arbour Hill	2
<b>27/05/2021</b>	City Centre West	1

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<sup>2</sup> All attendance numbers **do not** include the presence of the LCSP Chair, Coordinator, and Administrator

### **Number of meetings:**

A total of 8 meetings were held between 04 October and 14 October 2021. It is noted that of the 10 neighbourhoods identified within the Dublin North Inner City Area, Halston Street/Inns Quay and Smithfield/Broadstone were amalgamated as, due to a lack of engagement, Halston Street/Inns Quay was not viable for an individual meeting at the time. An individual meeting was held with Dublin Port representatives, as this is a self-contained business area with no residential population.

### **Attendance:**

The number of attendees is broken down in the table below:

<b>Community Safety Meetings : Attendance Oct-21</b>		
<b>04/10/2021</b>	Clonliffe/Ballybough	10
<b>05/10/2021</b>	Sheriff St/IFSC	9
<b>06/10/2021</b>	East Wall/North Lotts	6
<b>07/10/2021</b>	City Centre North	11
<b>11/10/2021</b>	Smithfield/Broadstone/Halston St/Inns Quay	8
<b>12/10/2021</b>	Montpelier/Arbour Hill	10
<b>13/10/2021</b>	City Centre East	4
<b>14/10/2021</b>	City Centre West	11
	<b>Total</b>	<b>69</b>

### **Issues Raised**

The number of items raised at each meeting is listed below<sup>3</sup>;

<b>Community Safety Meetings : Issues Raised Oct-21</b>		
<b>04/10/2021</b>	Clonliffe/Ballybough	18
<b>05/10/2021</b>	Sheriff St/IFSC	9
<b>06/10/2021</b>	East Wall/North Lotts	5
<b>07/10/2021</b>	City Centre North	
<b>11/10/2021</b>	Smithfield/Broadstone/Halston St/Inns Quay	10
<b>12/10/2021</b>	Montpelier/Arbour Hill	9
<b>13/10/2021</b>	City Centre East	4
<b>14/10/2021</b>	City Centre West	7

<sup>3</sup> Please note: The number of items discussed includes updates on community matters, provided by members of An Garda Síochána.