

## Minutes of Meeting of Policing Strategy and Performance Committee

**Date: 08 June 2017** 

**Venue: 90 North King Street, Dublin7** 

## **Attendance**

Authority: Judith Gillespie (Chair), Maureen Lynott (by conference call), Vicky Conway, Noel

**Brett** 

Secretary: Karen Shelly

**Executive:** Margaret Tumelty, Úna Ní Éigeartaigh

## Garda Síochána:

Assistant Commissioner John O'Driscoll, National Support Services

Dr. Gurchand Singh, Head of the Garda Analyst Service

Superintendent John Keegan, Strategy and Change Management

**Apologies:** Deputy Commissioner John Twomey Policing and Security,

Assistant Commissioner Michael Finn, Roads Policing & Major Events

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- 1. The following matters were considered and discussed as set out in the agenda:
  - 1.1. Policing Plan Performance and Evaluation
  - 1.2. Policing Priorities 2018
  - 1.3. Update- Proxy Indicators
  - 1.4. JPC Consultation Event
  - 1.5. Meeting with Garda Síochána Representatives

## 2. Actions and matters of note

2.1. The Committee noted that the CSO will not publish the quarterly crime data on 28 June as scheduled due to concerns over a number of data quality issues relating to homicide figures which have been identified. The Committee also noted that the Authority is still awaiting a report on homicide data from the Garda Síochána.

- 2.2. The Committee discussed the Policing Plan Performance Report and identified a number of issues for discussion with the Garda Síochána.
- 2.3. The Committee considered the Policing Priorities for 2018 as presented and agreed a number of changes. The amended draft will be considered by the Authority at its June meeting and if agreed, will form the basis for consultation with the Joint Policing Committee representatives at the Authority event on 5 July.
- 2.4. The Committee was informed of the arrangements in place for the 2017 Joint Policing Committee event and discussed the draft agenda.
- 2.5. The Committee congratulated the Garda Síochána on the recent successful explosives seizure.
- 2.6. The Committee discussed the monthly Policing Plan Performance Report, with specific reference to the items marked RED RAG status. The Committee acknowledged the stretching nature of the targets set for robberies and burglaries in 2017. The rise in the number of assaults was identified as an area of concern. The Committee welcomed the launch of four new Protective Services Units.
- 2.7. The Committee again noted the disappointing trend in relation to detections. The Committee reiterated its disappointment at the absence of a report from the Garda Síochána, despite a previous request, setting out an explanation for the fall in detection levels and the corrective action to be taken. The Committee again requested that a report on detections would be provided in advance of the next committee meeting and in sufficient time to allow for review.
- 2.8. It was agreed that the Executive will liaise with the Head of the Analysis Service to undertake some preparatory work to inform later discussion on performance targets for 2018.
- 2.9. Dr. Gurchand Singh informed the Committee of the Garda Síochána's intention to publish the Public Attitude Survey on June 14.