South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee Annual Report 2022

Agreed by South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee on the





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1. Introduction

The South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee was established on the 26th October 2007. The Committee continues to provide a forum for representatives from An Garda Síochána, South Dublin County Council, Oireachtas members and Community representatives, to make an important contribution to addressing issues relating to crime locally, to get together in a regular and structured way, to consult with each other and to discuss and make recommendations on matters affecting the policing of South Dublin County.

The Joint Policing Committee is a partnership, co-operative in nature and operating with the minimum of formality to identify, raise awareness of and find solutions to issues impacting on, or causing concerns for the local community.

South Dublin Joint Policing Committee continues to be a partnership between An Garda Síochána, South Dublin County Council and the residents of South Dublin County. Members of the Joint Policing Committee work together to help prevent crime and solve neighborhood problems by:

- Encouraging active citizen involvement in policing efforts.
- Focusing on issues of ongoing public concern.
- Providing continuity of service to the community.
- Ensuring active involvement by the relevant staff in problem-solving.
- Initiate creative responses to neighborhood problems.
- Developing the capacity of residents and affording them the opportunity to speak and act effectively on their own behalf.
- Strengthening and building groups and organizations so residents can advocate for their own interests.
- The work of the LPF Management Committees and LPF Public Meetings convened by the four Local Policing Fora and their role and reporting relationship to the Joint Policing Committee increases community involvement and trust in the work of the committee.

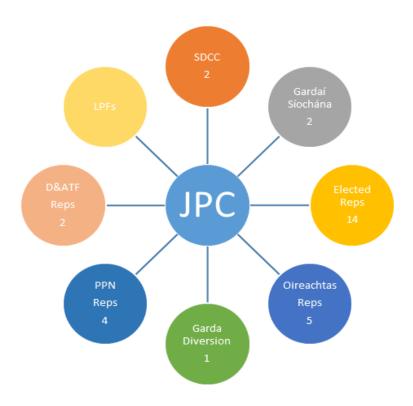




2. **Joint Policing Committee Structure**

Membership Structure of the Joint Policing Committee

In 2015 the Public Participation Network (PPN), Drug & Alcohol Task Forces and the Garda Diversion Programme were asked to nominate representatives to the Joint Policing Committee. The following diagram illustrates the current membership of the Joint Policing Committee.



3. Garda Síochána Districts – DMR South and DMR West

South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee is covered by two Garda Regions:

- Dublin Metropolitan Region South
- Dublin Metropolitan Region West

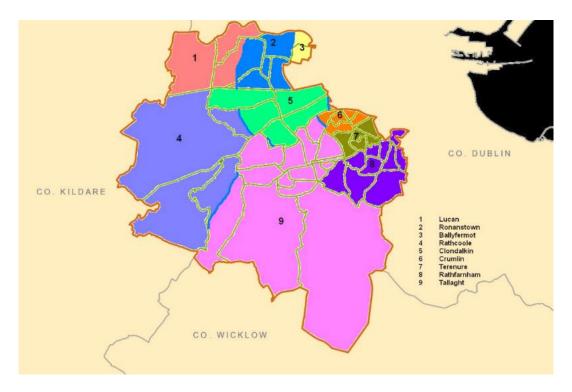
The Regions are split into Districts and Sub Districts:

Sub District	District	istrict Superintendent Divisional HQ		Chief Superintendent
Clondalkin	Clondalkin	Anthony Twomey	Blanchardstown	Finbarr Murphy
Rathcoole	Clondalkin	Anthony Twomey	Blanchardstown	Finbarr Murphy
Ballyfermot	Clondalkin	Anthony Twomey	Blanchardstown	Finbarr Murphy
Ronanstown	Lucan	Paul Dolan	Blanchardstown	Finbarr Murphy
Lucan	Lucan	Paul Dolan	Blanchardstown	Finbarr Murphy
Rathfarnham	Tallaght	lan Lackey	Crumlin	Peter Duff
Tallaght	Tallaght	lan Lackey	Crumlin	Peter Duff
Crumlin	Crumlin	Frank Ferry	Crumlin	Peter Duff
Terenure	Terenure	Declan Dunne	Crumlin	Peter Duff

The following map sets out the five Garda Districts that cover South Dublin County, note some Districts cut across the County boundary.



Garda Síochána Sub-districts



4. Membership of the Joint Policing Committee in 2022

Mayor Emma Murphy	Mayor, SDCC	Chair up to September 2022
Cllr. Peter Kavanagh	Elected Member	
Cllr. Carly Bailey	Elected Member	
Cllr. Yvonne Collins	Elected Member	
Cllr. Mick Duff	Elected Member	
Cllr. Louise Dunne	Elected Member	
Cllr. Cathal King	Elected Member	
Cllr. Lynn McCrave	Elected Member	Chair from September 2022
Cllr. Derren Ó Brádaigh	Elected Member	
Cllr Eoin Ó Broin	Elected Member	
Cllr Deirdre O'Donovan	Elected Member	
Cllr Shirley O'Hara	Elected Member	
Cllr. Liona O'Toole	Elected Member	
Cllr Baby Pereppadan	Elected Member	
Cllr Shane Moynihan	Elected Member	Vice Chair
Sean Crowe TD	Oireachtas Member	
Emer Higgins TD	Oireachtas Member	
John Lahart, TD	Oireachtas Member	
Mark Ward TD	Oireachtas Member	
Inspector James Phibbs Garda	An Garda Siochana	
Síochána - Rathfarnham	All Garda Siochana	
Chief Superintendent Finbarr Murphy - Blanchardstown	An Garda Siochana	
Chief Superintendent Peter Duff – DMR South – Crumlin DMR Divisional Officer	An Garda Siochana	
Superintendent Ian Lackey DMR South – Crumlin Divisional Office	An Garda Siochana	
Gemma Carton, Garda Diversion	An Garda Siochana	
Trevor Bissett, Clondalkin D&ATF	Community	
Grace Hill, Tallaght D&ATF	Community	
Colm Ward	Director, SDCC	
Emer Meighan	PPN	
John Conroy	PPN	
Rita Harte	PPN	
Sue Dorgan	PPN	
Enda Creegan, PPN	PPN	
Noreen Byrne, North	Community	
Clondalkin Local Policing		
Forum and Community Safety		
Forum.		

5. Garda Youth Diversion Programme

There are a number of Garda Youth Diversion Projects operating in South Dublin County:

GYDP	Area Postal Area		Community Based Organisation
CLAY*	Crumlin	Dublin 12	CLAY Ltd.
Bru*	Crumlin	Dublin 12	Bru Youth Service
YEW	Ballyboden	Dublin 16	Foróige
GRAFT	Ronanstown	Dublin 22	Crosscare
SWIFT	SW Clondalkin	Dublin 22	Crosscare
Valley	Quarryvale	Dublin 22	Crosscare
APT	Tymon Dublin 24 Foróige		Foróige
Boost	oost Brookfield Dublin 24 Foróige		Foróige
JAY Jobstown		Dublin 24	Foróige
KEY 1	Killinarden	Dublin 24	Foróige
KEY 2	Fettercairn	Dublin 24	Foróige

^{*}Mainly operates in Dublin City area

6. Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan

At the Joint Policing Committee meeting held on the 24th November 2017 the Strategic Plan for 2016-2022 was agreed. The Plan links to other plans and strategies including An Garda Síochána Annual Policing Plan and South Dublin County Local Economic & Community Plan (LECP) 2016-2021.

Other Plans considered were:

- A Safer Community: South Dublin County Council Road Safety Plan 2016-2020 (published August 2016)
- Clondalkin Drug and Alcohol Task Force Strategic Plan 2018 2025 Reclaiming Community
 Development as an Effective Response to Drug Harms, Policy Harms, Poverty and Inequality was
 agreed in 2018.
- Tallaght Drug and Alcohol Task Force Strategic Plan 2017 2020 was designed and developed as an interagency collaboration, and our vision is to continue this interagency collaboration in the implementation of this strategy. Three strategic themes shaped the plan:
 - Improved service user and community outcomes
 - Effective partnership
 - Increased capacity

A "Framework Policy for Local and Community Development in Ireland was approved by Government in December 2015 and is an overarching high-level vision for the State's engagement with the local and community development sectors. Joint Policing Committees are identified within the following objectives as having a role:

- Objective 2: Working with partners:
 - o pursue an integrated "whole government" approach at central and local levels.
- Objective 3: Planning for Local and Community Development:
 - Support an integrated, coherent approach through the County Local Economic and Community Plan that is adaptable to changing needs and which clearly identify the outcomes they aim to achieve.

- Ensure priorities, as set out in the relevant Local Economic and Community Plan for expenditure at local level across all community and local development programmes are based on appropriate needs analysis and matched to available resources.
- Objective 4: Delivery
 - Through the County Local Economic and Community Plan. Deliver an integrated approach to economic development and community development at local level within the local authority area.
 - Through the County Local Economic and Community Plan, manage the delivery of
 interventions that provide positive action programmes targeting those groups that are
 most marginalised, and support them to become involved in issues and concerns
 affecting themselves and their communities.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Joint Policing Committee and the Local Community Development Committee was drafted in 2017 and agreed at the first Joint Policing Committee meeting in 2018.

The Joint Policing Committee Six Year Strategic Plan is as follows:

Joint Policing Committee Six Year Strategic Plan Strategic Objectives	Summary of strategy to be pursued in relation to each objective	Lead /agency key partners/ Name of Joint Policing Committee subcommittee where relevant	Anticipated outcomes
High Priority Objectives			
Drugs	Develop through the Drug subcommittee.	Drug subcommittee	Ongoing
Parks	Deter crime and anti- social behaviour in public parks	 Joint Policing Committee SDCC Gardaí	Ongoing
LPFs	Support the work of the local policing fora in the County.	SDCCGardaíJoint Policing CommitteeLPFs	Ongoing
Strategic Objectives	Summary of strategy to be pursued	Lead /agency key partners	Anticipated outcomes
ССТV	Community Based CCTV: To support the following Community CCTV schemes: Jobstown Fettercairn Brookfield Killinarden North Clondalkin	GardaíSDCC	Ongoing
Community Safety: To promote positive crime prevention and community safety initiatives	Information: To develop and produce information on community safety initiatives/projects through the media and the Joint Policing Committee web page of South Dublin County Council web site	Joint Policing Committee Executive (Supported by SDCC)	Ongoing

	Events: To plan for events attracting large crowds and ensure they are a safe and enjoyable experience. To build on the good working relationship between the Gardaí, South Dublin County Council, the Community and other stakeholders coordinating events Road safety: To consider	•	SDCC Gardaí Public Transport providers Local Communities Local Businesses	Ongoing
	elements within the SDCC Road Safety Plan 2016-2020	•	Gardaí	
	Older People: Support South Dublin County as an Age Friendly County which is a safe place for older people and continue to work on any safety issues identified by the Age Friendly Alliance. To work with the Network and any other partners on the proposed Text Alert Scheme	•	SDCC Gardaí Age Friendly Network	Ongoing
Consultation & Involvement: To improve the process of engagement and interaction between local community reps. An Garda Síochána, Elected Representatives, South Dublin County Council, Local Drug & Alcohol Task Forces on matters concerning community safety.	 Local Policing Forums: Support the work of the local policing fora in the County by: Local policing forums will report to each Joint Policing Committee meeting. Consider recommendations of the Local Policing Forums Support for public and other meetings organised by the Local Policing Forums 	•	SDCC Gardaí Joint Policing Committee LPFs	Ongoing
	Young People: Continue consultation with young people through Comhairle na nÓg and other services. Support the Comhairle na nÓg charter to prevent Cyber Bullying	•	Comhairle na Nog Gardaí Joint Policing Committee SDCC	Ongoing
Crime: To support actions that address crime and the fear of crime.	Parks: Deter crime and anti- social behaviour in public parks (See Appendix 4) through the implementation	•	Joint Policing Committee SDCC Gardaí	Ongoing

	of the recommendations included in "Reclaiming our Parks." Reports to be prepared for each Joint Policing Committee meeting. Drugs: Support the work of the Drug Sub-committee of the Joint Policing Committee	 Joint Policing Committee Drug Sub-committee Joint Policing Committee 	Ongoing
	to agree its Terms of Reference and Action Plan and if appropriate support any recommendations identified	GardaíSDCCLocal Drug & Alcohol Task Forces	
Integration	Integration Strategy: Support the implementation of the South Dublin County Integration Strategy and work on any actions identified that can improve the quality of life and safety of residents in the County.	SDCCGardaíCommunity	New strategy agreed in 2019
Pro-social initiatives: To provide continued support for Pro-social initiatives in the County and to support inter agency projects	To develop a close liaison between the Joint Policing Committee, its members and inter agency projects in the County, to support pro-social projects by improved coordination between Gardaí, SDCC and Community Representatives	 Joint Policing Committee Children & Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC), Childhood Development Initiative (CDI) Safety Initiative, Local Partnerships Community/Voluntary Sector Local Drug & Alcohol Task Forces FAI (Football night leagues) 	Ongoing
Restorative Justice:	Support the recommendations contained in the National Commission on Restorative Justice by strengthening relations with the Restorative Justice Service in Tallaght and continue to promote restorative practice in the Community. Consider services which will look at tackling antisocial behaviour using restorative practices. Continue to support the work of Restorative Practice promoters where necessary	 Gardaí SDCC Restorative Justice and Practice Programmes Community Mediation Community Groups CDI 	Ongoing

7. Issues discussed at Joint Policing Committee Meetings in 2022.

The Joint Policing Committee has discussed many different issues at their meetings and in 2021 these included:

January	April
 JPC Agenda and membership Presentation: Tallaght Drug & Alcohol Task Force: The Landscape of Substance Misuse and its Impact on the Communities of Tallaght's Drugs and Alcohol Task Force Garda issues report Issues relating to misuse of Scrambler and Motorbikes across the County. Local Policing Fora updates. 	 Presentation from Moyross Motorcross Club. Garda Issues report Local Policing Fora Updates Increased use of Nitrous Oxide Scale of addiction issues in the TDATF area is among the highest in the country. Intimidations within communities.
September	November
 Presentation on Domestic Violence by Chief Superintendent Murphy Garda Issues Ongoing engagement with regional analysts, transport stakeholders LUAS and Dublin Bus. Drug Sub-committee Crime still below pre-Covid levels. Reduction in Domestic Orders noted. Gaps in mental health services. A need for safe disposal of drug paraphernalia and nitrous oxide cannisters. Significant arrests in relation to car thefts. 	 Presentation from Connect 4 Project. Presentation from An Garda Siochana Youth Diversion Project Draft Legislation regarding the use of Nitrous Oxide An Garda Siochana School Talks Programme Garda Issues Report An Garda Siochana Community Engagement

In South Dublin County, the Gardaí and the Local Authority have a good working relationship. Contact is made both at Senior Level, through The Joint Policing Committee and other inter-agency committees and also at operational level with the Community and Housing Departments and the Community and Juvenile Liaison Sections of the Gardaí.

8. JPC Drugs Subcommittee

Following the seminar in May 2016 at the Joint Policing Committee meeting held on the 25th November 2016 it was agreed to form a Drug Subcommittee which comprised the following members and met four times in 2022.

The JPC Drugs Subcommittee presented a report at the Joint Policing Committee in April 2022 outlining the need for support for families who are struggling with drug debt intimidation within the County. The Joint Policing Committee agreed to fund a pilot scheme which would help support families make minor changes as needed such as:

- o Reinforced glass for windows may be needed.
- Removal of letterboxes on the front doors and replace them with exterior letterboxes that are sealed and have a private key.
- Fire blanket essential for all exits
- Fire extinguishers
- o Alarm systems with an in-house monitoring system attached.
- Doorbells with cameras linked with CCTV.
- Fob keys for every room
- o Reinforced hall doors
- New locks for side gates
- o Panic button linked to the local Garda station.
- o Bollards were secured at the end of the driveway to avoid theft.
- These precautions may not be needed for all cases, and a family may need only one or two of these security measures.

9. An Garda Siochána Late Night Leagues

The late-night leagues have been very successful throughout the County. The initiative is based around the concept of using football as a tool for social inclusion and learning, divert youths from crime and anti-social behaviour and encouraging at risk young people to participate in meaningful activities, thus reducing anti-social behaviour.

10. Local Policing Fora and Public Meetings

South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee administer three Local Policing Fora Committees:

- West Tallaght Community Safety Forum.
- Clondalkin Local Policing Forum.
- North Clondalkin, Palmerstown and Lucan Local Policing Forum.

Due DMR boundaries a portion of South Dublin County Council's area is included in D12's Local Policing Forum remit. Representatives from South Dublin County Council attend Dublin 12 LPF meetings.

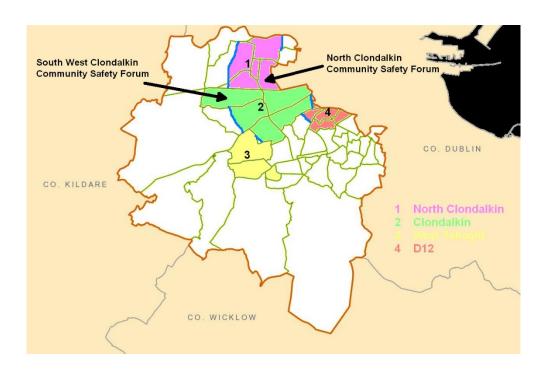
On the 6th April 2022, An Garda Siochána and South Dublin County Council held a Public Local Policing Forum in Rathcoole Community Centre.

Local Policing Fora provide a mechanism through which members of the community and various stakeholders can raise issues directly with senior members of An Garda Siochána, Elected Members and senior managers of the Local Authority. Local Policing Fora help improve communication, share appropriate information and identify issues in relation to policing, anti-social behaviour and estate management.

They work together to find solutions to issues raised, report on progress and develop guidelines to manage difficulties that arise.

The Local Policing Fora report to the Joint Policing Committee at each meeting and can advise the County Council and the Gardai on how to best perform their functions having regard to the need to do everything feasible to improve the safety and quality of life and to prevent crime, disorder, and antisocial behaviour within the area.

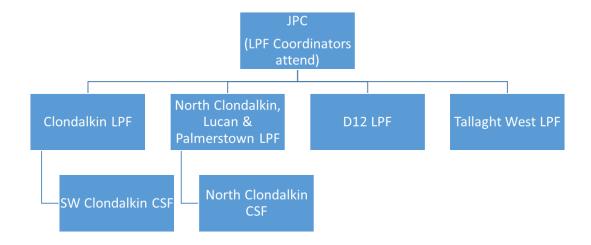
North Clondalkin, Palmerstown and Lucan Local Policing Forum	West Tallaght & Clondalkin Local Policing Forum	D12 Local Policing Forum
Coordinator: Noreen Byrne	Coordinator: Maria Nugent	Coordinator: Valerie Scott
North Clondalkin Community Development Programme Christy Melia House 24 Neilstown Park Clondalkin Dublin 22 Tel: 01 457 1744 nccdp2@yahoo.ie	Community Department County Hall Tallaght Dublin 24 Tel: 01 414 9000 mnugent@sdublincoco.ie	South Central Area Local Policing Forums and Network Support, Dublin City Council South Central Area, 1st Floor, Eblana House, Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8 Tel: 01 222 2222
		<u>valeriescott@dscp.ie</u>



11. LPF Relationship with the Joint Policing Committee

The Local Policing Fora provide a report to each meeting of the Joint Policing Committee and the agenda allows for consideration and discussion on the items raised.

The following chart shows the relationship between the LPFs and the Joint Policing Committee. Two areas Southwest Clondalkin and North Clondalkin have Community Safety Forums covering part of the LPF area. The Community Safety Forums have representatives on the LPF Management Committees to ensure a flow of information.



12. Joint Policing Committee Members Attendance Record

The following chart sets out the attendance record for Joint Policing Committee meetings held in 2022.

Name	28	22	16	18	P- Present
	01	04	09	11	A- Apologies given.
	22	22	22	22	D- Deputy in attendance
Cllr. Carly Bailey	Р	Р	-	-	 Not or no longer a member of the JPC
Cllr. Yvonne Collins	Р	Р	Р	Р	member of the fre
Cllr. Mick Duff	Α	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr. Louise Dunne	-	-	-	Р	
Cllr. Peter Kavanagh (ex-Mayor)	Р	Р	-	-	
Cllr. Cathal King	-	-	Р	Р	
Cllr. Lynn McCrave	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr. Shane Moynihan	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr. Emma Murphy (Mayor)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr. Derren Ó Brádaigh	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr Eoin O Broin	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Cllr. Deirdre O'Donovan	Р	Α	Р	Р	
Cllr. Shirley O'Hara	Р	Α	Р	Р	
Cllr. Liona O'Toole	Α	Р	Α	Α	
Cllr. Baby Pereppadan	Р	Р	-	-	
Sean Crowe T.D.	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Emer Higgins T.D.	Р	-	Р	Р	
John Lahart T.D.	-	Р	Р	Α	
Paul Murphy T.D.	Р	-	-	Р	
Mark Ward T.D.	Р	-	-	-	
Colm Ward (SDCC)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Maria Nugent (JPC Coordinator, SDCC)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Jennifer Moroney Ward (SEO Community)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Chief Superintendent Peter Duff	Р	Р	-	Р	
Chief Superintendent Finbarr Murphy	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Superintendent Ian Lackey	Р	Р	Р	-	
Superintendent Thomas Gormley	-	-	-	Р	
Superintendent Paul Dolan	-	-	-	Р	
Superintendent Anthony Twomey	-	-	-	-	
Inspector Paul Mayock	-	-	-	Р	
Inspector Liam Casey	-	-	-	-	
Sarah Middleton (Garda Diversion)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Enda Creegan (PPN)	-	-	-	-	
Sue Dorgan (PPN)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
John Conroy (PPN)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Rita Harte (PPN)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Grace Hill (Tallaght D&ATF)	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Trevor Bissett (Clondalkin D&ATF)	Р	Α	Р	Α	
Gemma Carton (Garda Diversion)	Α	Α	Α	Α	
Noreen Byrne (North Clondalkin LPF)	Р	Α	Р	Р	