



Miontuairiscí / Meeting Minutes
County Meath Joint Policing Committee
28th May 2018, Training Room, Buvinda House

In Attendance:

Chairperson: Cllr Trevor Golden

County Council Members: Maria Murphy, Enda Flynn, David Gilroy, Gillian Toole, Sinead Burke,

Oireachtas Members: Dep Shane Cassells

An Garda Síochána: Chief Superintendent Fergus Healy, Superintendent Michael Devine

County Council Officials: Aine Bird

Community & Voluntary Sector: Ronnie Owens, Jim Matthews, Patrycja Skuza, Bill Commerford, Conor O Leary

Co-ordinator: Eugene Farrelly SSO

Apologies/Absent, Jackie Maguire CE, Minister D English TD, Minister H McEntee TD, Dep T Byrne, Sen Ray Butler, Cllr J Reilly, Cllr P Fitzsimons, Alan Tobin, Dr Claire O'Driscoll, Eimear Fergusson, Carol O Flaherty, Tracy McElhinney, Barry Lynch DOS. Sharon Tolan, Frances Deane, Wayne Harding, Dep P Toibin, Bernard Kenny, Salome Maher Bordalo,

Item	Discussion / Action
1.	<p><u>Adoption of Minute of Meeting of 26th February 2018</u></p> <p>Chair Trevor Golden welcomed all to the meeting especially Chief Superintendent Pat Clavin from the Criminal Assets Bureau .</p> <p>The minutes of the above meeting were adopted on the proposal of Cllr Maria Murphy ,seconded by Jim Matthews</p>
2.	<p><u>Matters arising from the Minutes</u></p> <p>n/a</p>



<p>3. <u>Correspondence</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence issued to The Chief Executive regarding CCTV and the passage of the Roads Bill 2017 was noted by the Committee. • Correspondence issued to the Dept of Justice regarding the pro-rata inequity of resources to the Meath Division on foot of the letter from the JPC in March and the lack of response to same. The committee agreed that a follow-up letter should issue seeking a response from the Dept of Justice to same . <p>CS Healy informed of a new garda Station just opened in Wexford town recently and the JPC are invited to view same on a study visit .The Committee agreed that Monday 25th June was a date that would suit the members for same and for Eugene and Fergus to coordinate for numbers attending .The chair of the Wexford JPC should be asked to attend a meeting of the JPC while there to advise the group on what actions the JPC were involved in regarding same.</p>
<p>4. <u>To receive a presentation from the Criminal Assetts Bureau</u></p>	<p>Pat Clavin gave a presentation to the Committee on the work being carried out by the CAB. The presentation dealt with the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In place since 1996 • Seeking information on anyone who appears to be living beyond their means • Not involved in dispersal of assets confiscated under proceeds of crime legislation • Meath Division has 8 No Garda Profilers with 8No full investigations in the division • Whether to current GDPR Regulations will affect the personal data being collected on individuals <p>The Chair thanked Mr Clavin on his informative presentation and a number of Members raised questions which were answered to their satisfaction.</p>
<p>5. <u>To receive an update from AGS on the 2018 Policing Plan for Co Meath</u></p>	<p>CS Healy informed that the Plan was now in place and operational with the following key areas to be addressed:</p> <p>High Visibility Policing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike Units in Urban areas • Mobile and Beat patrols/Pubic order patrols at Weekends and events <p>Crime Prevention:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Viz Checkpoints • Hold 4No Crime Prevention days of Action in all Districts • Hold a Business crime prevention seminar <p>Engagement with minorities and other vulnerable groups :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to Build Trust and confidence with minority groups and with the most vulnerable in our community. • Host one Open Day in each District HQ and one in Mosney Reception Centre • Maintain the status of one Community Garda in each Garda Sub-District throughout the Division.



Children and Young People (including child protection)

- All Primary Schools within the Division visited at least once during term.
- All Secondary Schools within the Division visited at least once during term.
- Divisional Protective Services Bureau fully operational

Garda Reserve Management & Utilisation

- Increase the number of Garda Reserve Members available within the Division by 100%.
- Utilise reserve members for major events in the Division e.g. Fairyhouse Easter festival and other Music Festival, Fleadh Ceol etc.
- Ensure approved Training needs are met

Victim Services

- Meet all our obligations to victims as enshrined in legislation and the Victims Directive
- Ensure that a quality policing service is provided to victims throughout the year.
- All members will be aware of the full requirements of the Victims policy and legal obligations.
- Ensure anti social patrols are conducted daily through the Division.
- Ensure Anti – Social behaviour is kept to a minimum.
- Ensure Liquor Licensing Inspections are conducted weekly
- Carry out four “Test Purchase of Alcohol operations, per quarter, throughout the Division.
- Greater integration of Roads Policing Unit with Divisional personnel. Joint checkpoints to be a part of normal operations

Missing Persons

- All missing person files are properly completed with appropriate input and that PULSE Data is fully updated.
- Increased awareness among all members of the need to ensure that all MP reports are fully investigated.
- All meetings conducted as per frequency protocol and measures implemented to reduce the risk to missing children
- Ensure all procedures and protocols relating to missing persons are complied implemented.

Major Emergency

- Chair, the North East Major Emergency Co-ordination Group for the current term.
- Ensure the Division has ability to respond effectively to a major emergency and that adequate resources are available to respond robustly.

Event Management

- All major events to be adequately policed and positive outcomes to be achieved in terms of public safety, personal injury and public enjoyment

Burglary

- Reduce the levels of Burglary incidents in 2018
- Increase the detection rates in burglary cases.
- Implement National burglary initiatives

Robbery Incidents

- Ensure that all robbery cases have or are fully investigated and that uniform investigating members are supported .
- Aim to reduce the numbers of Robberies in 2018
- Maintain the Division’s Detection rates

Assault Incidents

- Increase uniform patrols at key times/ locations with a view to reducing the incidence of assault.
- Target youth and juvenile crime/anti-social behaviour in business and residential areas
- Increase Garda presence during the night time economy



- Increase our liaison with young persons through sporting clubs and youth groups. Advise/educate on alcohol consumption.
- Advise alcohol licence holders of their responsibilities under relevant legislation
- Specific Public Order Beat Patrols during night time economy.
- Targeted test purchasing and seek assistance of local media in highlighting the dangers and risks attaching to supplying alcohol to minors.

Organised Crime

- Limit the operation and capability of Organised Crime Gangs.
- Specific persons and groups targeted and profiles generated.
- Increase the level of detections for offences relating to drugs and firearms
- Increased referrals to CHIS from District members.
- Increased detection for drugs, firearms, burglary offences..

Sexual offences

- Divisional Protective Services Unit to be established and fully operational
- All sexual crimes fully investigated in a professional compassionate manner without undue delay

Domestic Abuse Intervention

- Appropriate garda policy is applied in every case.
- All Domestic Violence Incidents are reviewed
- All victims of Domestic Violence receive support and feedback from investigating Gardaí
- Divisional Protective Services to review of all domestic investigation where there are children affected by same.

High Visibility Policing

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Traffic Flow Management

- All areas identified with traffic flow issues to be appropriately policed.

Lifesaver Offences Detections

- Increase the detection of lifesaver offences (Speed, mobile phone use, seat belts, intoxicated driving) by 10%

Code of Ethics

- Ensure that 100% of Divisional personnel are trained in the Code of Ethics by end Q2
- All ethics initiatives supported and implemented

Chair Trevor Golden thanked the Chief Super for his Report on the roll-out of the Co Meath Policing Plan .



6. To receive a Report from An Garda Síochána

Chief Superintendent Fergus Healy gave a power point presentation outlining the following crime statistics in the County comparable with statistics at the same point in time in 2017:

Meath Division Crime Statistics at 28th May 2018.

Crime category	2018 YTD	2017 YTD	Diff	% Change	Div Detect Rate
Property crime	1027	1038	-11	-1%	19%
Burglary (non aggravated)	218	296	-78	-26%	10%
Theft from Vehicles	130	178	-48	-27%	5%
Theft of Vehicles	73	56	+17	+30%	9%
Theft from Shop	308	193	+115	+60%	44%
Theft of Other Property	245	256	-11	-4%	14%
Crimes against the person	198	192	+ 6	+ 3%	30%
Drugs (sale & supply)	24	21	+3	+14%	
Drugs (possession)	86	88	- 2	-1%	

Meath Roads Policing

Category	2018 YTD	2017 YTD	Change	% Change
Fatalities	2	6	-4	-66%
Fatal Collisions	2	5	-3	-60%
Serious injuries	5	12	-7	-58%
Serious injury Collisions	5	10	-5	-50%
Driving while Intoxicated incidents	131	115	+16	+12%
MAT Checkpoints	408	513	-105	-36%
Vehicles Seized	396	621	-225	-36%

Community Engagement

- Engagement with Community Alert and Neighbourhood Watch schemes
- Attendance at Community Events throughout year, Crime Prevention stands operated etc.
- Ethnic Liaison Officers in All Districts
- Text Alert system in operation across Division
- Navan Community Policing Unit regular engagement with Flexibus service and Navan Meals on Wheels
- Garda clinics at Mosney Reception Centre



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing local liaison with the Irish Refugee Protection Programme • Garda Schools Programme – visits to schools in all Districts • Meath Crime Prevention Facebook Page – sustained growth – 28,382 followers now • Weekly Garda Crime Desk on LMFM Radio reaching 35,000 local persons <p>Resources –Meath Division</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 311 Sworn Garda Members (All Ranks) (from 308) • 108 Ashbourne District (from 112) • 103 Navan District (from 103) • 38 Kells District (from 36) • 44 Trim District (from 42) • 17 Divisional Rods Policing (<i>includes 4 seconded trainees</i>) (from 15) • 14 Reserve Members (same) • 30 Civilian Support Staff (same) • 16 Garda Stations (same) • 54 Vehicles in Divisional Fleet (from 60) <p>Members raised the following queries which were responded to by AGS and officials present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in drive-offs from Petrol Stations –CPO to visit stations and advise on prevention • Increase in drunk driving detections with lower age profile noted. • It was noted that road fatalities are well down for 2018 from 6 to 2 • Large number of cars seized because they are end of life or worthless.
7.	<p><u>To receive an update from the Sub Committees</u></p> <p>Chair Trevor Golden referred to the Report from the 3 Sub Committees as circulated ,which was noted by the Committee and taken as read by same.</p>
8.	<p><u>AOB and Proposed Date for next meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Johnstown Rep Group with CS Healy in Athlumney House TBC • Study trip to Wexford Garda Station on 25th June –all JPC invited • Next Full meeting to take place on Monday 24th September • Public Meeting to be held on 17th October in Navan

Signed: _____

Chair Cllr Trevor Golden

Date: _____