



**Annual Report of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee on the performance
of its functions during 2012**

In 2006, Dublin City Council established a Joint Policing Committee and 5 Sub Committees corresponding to its 5 area committees in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Minister for Justice, Equality and Law reform and the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Under paragraph 14.1 of those guidelines the Joint Policing Committee is required to submit a report to the City Council on the performance of its function during the preceding year.

Accordingly I wish to report as follows:

Report of Dublin City Joint Policing Committee

Priority Issue	Actions taken in relation to each priority issue	Responsibility of:	Time-scale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
1. Public meetings for J.P.C	Included on Work Plan 2012/2013 Local JPC's have arranged. Public Meetings.	Dublin City Council	Ongoing	City JPC had no Public Meetings in 2012. Public Meetings were arranged by the local JPC subcommittees and the various local community safety fora.
2. Safety awareness	Campaign on burglaries in the home launched	Dublin City Council/ An Garda Síochána	Ongoing	4 campaigns planned First was launched in November 2012
3. Restorative Justice	Representations made to Department of Justice	Dublin City Council/ An Garda Síochána	Ongoing	No progress made in 2012
4. Prescription Drugs	Representations made to Department of Justice	An Garda Síochána	Ongoing	Updates provided to each meeting.
5. Alcohol Retail Outlets	Report from Planning Department	Dublin City Council	Ongoing	Report provided to JPC meeting by Dublin City Council.
6. Juvenile Liaison Officers	JLO's to present to local JPC's	An Garda Síochána	Ongoing	Interaction with JLO's enhanced

The advice/recommendations provided by the JPC to the local authority and the Gardaí during the year.

- a) In relation to each priority issue, what advice did the JPC give to either the local authority or the Gardaí? Please identify specific recommendations made on relevant issues (see paragraph 2.8 of the code of practice in the guidelines).

1. Public Meetings of JPC

It was agreed that public meetings would be more appropriately arranged by the local area JPC sub-committee and the various community safety fora throughout the city.

2. Safety Awareness

It was agreed to initiate a programme of safety campaigns on the following four themes 1. Burglaries in the home. 2. Theft of mobile phones 3. Public disorder. 4. Night time economy issues. No. 1 was launched in November 2012.

3. Restorative Justice

JPC agreed that some initiatives around restorative justice/practice should be implemented in Dublin City.

4. Prescription Drugs

The JPC and the Dublin City Policing Forum continued to raise this issue and representations for new controls were submitted to Department of Justice.

5. Alcohol Retail Outlets Licence Granting

The legislation and procedures around the issue were presented to the JPC by Dublin City Council. The JPC sought greater restrictions on the proliferation of such outlets.

6. Juvenile Liaison Officers

The JPC proposed that Local Juvenile Liaison Officers would report twice yearly to the local JPC sub-committees.

- b) What resulted from the advice and recommendations set out at 2.1 above? Please outline any feedback received from the local authority or the Gardaí.

1. Public Meetings of JPC

Dublin City Council through the local JPC sub-committees arranged meetings with strong co-operation from the Gardaí.

2. Safety Awareness

The first element of the safety awareness programme was implemented in November 2012.

3. Restorative Justice

An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council strongly in favour of developing this programme throughout the city.

4. Prescription Drugs

Local Authority and An Garda Síochána both in full agreement that tighter controls are required.

5. Alcohol Retail Outlets Licence Granting

Local Authority clearly outlined the existing legislation and controls/procedures.

6. Juvenile Liaison Officers

Local Authority and An Garda Síochána both agreed on the necessity for greater integration on the issue.

Other issues dealt with during 2012.

January

Community Courts - Internet shops - Irish children online.
Conference on Wednesday 29th February to discuss issues pertaining to The Lord Mayor's Commission on Antisocial behaviour.

March

Presentation on Community Courts Conference.
Letter to RTE concerning the "Knuckle" programme.

May

Presentation by Andy Tuite on Juvenile Diversionary Programme.
Presentation by Eugene Corcoran of the Criminal Assets Bureau (CAB).
Presentation by Killian Forde (CEO) and Mr. Peter Szlovak (Head of Policy) of the Integration Centre.

July

Endorsed proposal for a representative of the migrant community to join the JPC.
Issued raised on-street charity collection (chuggers).
Cycling on footpaths.
Busking draft discussion document presented.
Gardai - Landlord relationship with regard to noise emanating from private tenants.
Operation Acer - commenced on the 15th March 2012
Operation Aughrim theft from the person
Operation Eitlean theft of pedal cycles
High visibility Patrols - dedicated high visibility patrols in key commercial / public thoroughfares at strategic times dictated by crime trends was introduced on 25th June 2012.

October

New member Zephyrin Ngaliema from the Integration Centre.
Presentation by Planning Department on "Planning for Special Events."

November

Safety in the home initiative (Home Safe Home)

December

Manager to meet a number of key agencies to discuss concerns in relation to aggressive fundraising on the streets of Dublin City. – Charities Act 2009.
Dublin City Local Policing Forum - a subcommittee of the business policing forum has been set up to follow through on the implementation of recommendations from the "Better City for All" strategic report.

Public meetings hosted by the JPC during the year.

There were no Public Meetings hosted by the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee (JPC) during 2012.

Record of meetings held in 2012 and list of members.

The total number of JPC meetings held in the year **was 7**

Date of each meeting

23 rd January	5 th March	28 th May	3 rd December
2 nd July	1 st October	19 th November	

Attendance at City Joint Policing Committee 2012

Name of Chairperson **Councillor Gerry Breen**

Name of Member	Representing	Title	No of Meetings Attended.
John Twomey	An Garda Síochána	Assistant Commissioner	5
Michael Feehan	An Garda Síochána	Assistant Commissioner	1
Gerry Murphy	An Garda Síochána	Inspector	6
Brendan Kenny	Dublin City Council	Assistant City Manager	3
Philip Maguire	Dublin City Council	Assistant City Manager	4
Gerry Breen	Fine Gael	Councillor	7
Andrew Montague	Labour	Lord Mayor (Ex Officio)	1
Naoise Ó Muirí	Fine Gael	Lord Mayor (Ex Officio)	2
Larry O'Toole	Sinn Fein	Councillor	7
Anna Quigley	Independent	Councillor	4
Edie Wynne	Fine Gael	Councillor	6
Mannix Flynn	Independent	Councillor	7
John Redmond	Labour	Councillor	5
Bríd Smith	PBPA	Councillor	3
Cieran Perry	Independent	Councillor	4
Tom Brabazon	Fianna Fail	Councillor	3
John Gallagher	Labour	Councillor	2
Catherine Noone	Oireachtas	Senator	1
Aengus Ó Snódaigh	Oireachtas	Deputy	4
Maureen O'Sullivan	Oireachtas	Deputy	5
Kevin Humphries	Oireachtas	Deputy	4
Catherine Byrne	Oireachtas	Deputy	3
Michael Conaghan	Oireachtas	Deputy	3
Tom Coffey	DCBA	Business Rep.	5
Peter O'Connor	North East Inner City CPF	Community Rep	6
Zephyrin Ngaliema	The Integration Centre	Community Rep.	3
David Pierpoint	Archdeacon of Dublin	Community Rep.	2

Report of Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee

Chairperson of the Central Area Joint Policing Sub-committee was Councillor Mary Fitzpatrick. Meetings during 2012 took place on a quarterly basis, on the following dates:

- 12th March
- 11th June
- 6th September
- 10th December

Below is a summary of the activities of the Central Area Joint Policing Sub-committee during this period:

- Issues discussed at meetings included: antisocial behaviour, prostitution, burglaries, concerts in the Phoenix Park, Garda case management, ASBOs, Community Policing, targeted Garda operations, use of CCTV in crime prevention.
- Crime analysis reports were presented by Chief Superintendents Pat Leahy and Declan Coburn at each meeting.
- Community Policing Fora and Local Drugs Task Forces were invited to submit reports. The NEIC Community Policing Forum, the Cabra Community Policing Forum and the Finglas/Cabra Local Drugs Task Force contributed reports to several meetings.
- The eight community/local policing fora administered by Dublin City Council within the Central Area continued to operate. These were as follows:
 - Drumcondra/Glasnevin Community Forum
 - East Wall Community Forum
 - Mountjoy and District Community Forum,
 - North Strand/Ballybough Community Forum
 - North East Inner City Community Forum
 - North Wall Community Forum
 - North West Inner City (Smithfield) Community Forum
 - Navan Road and Pelletstown Community Forum
- The steering group has met on two occasions to discuss various issues including anti-social behaviour at St. Laurence's Place East, the webcasting of JPC meetings, a review of Community Forum and on public meetings.
- An update was given at the March meeting on Operation Kerbside, which was targeting prostitution, particularly in the Arbour Hill/Stoneybatter areas.
- The Committee was informed at the March meeting about some of the housing complexes in the Central Area, where DCC officials and Gardai had been successfully working together to address crime and anti-social behaviour issues.
- The Committee was informed at the March meeting that it was intended to carry out a review of the Community Forums operating in the Central Area, which would include the circulation of questionnaires. This review was circulated to members following the September meeting and its recommendations were discussed at the December meeting.

- Anti-social behaviour/crime in the North Wall area was raised at each meeting. Chief Supt. Leahy informed the Committee at the June meeting of some of the initiatives which have been introduced to address these problems.
- Chief Supt. Leahy informed the Committee at the June meeting about Operation ACER which had been established to target gangs involved in home burglaries. This operation provided both a preventative and detection element, and focused on geographical areas and specific targets.
- Chief Supt. Leahy informed the Committee at the June meeting about a Garda text alert system which was at a pilot stage, and about a planned e-mail alert system based on the CSO SAP system.
- Alleged anti-social behaviour at a privately owned rented property on Phibsborough Road was raised and discussed by members at the September meeting. It was agreed that in camera meetings be convened between public representatives, local residents, DCC officials and Gardai to address this issue. Following one meeting the matter was successfully resolved.
- Presentations were made at the September meeting by representatives from DCC's Event Licensing Section, the OPW, MCD and the Gardai in response to events which took place at a concert in the Phoenix Park in July 2012.
- Chief Supt. Leahy presented a "personal crime statistics" report to the September meeting.
- A presentation on the "A Better City for All" report was made at the December meeting by the Chairman of the Strategic Response Group. The recommendations made by the report were discussed and Committee was further informed about the Group which had been established to implement these recommendations.

Report of North West Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee

Priority Issue	Actions taken in relation to each	Timescale for action	Summarise progress achieved / recommendations provided
1. Anti social behaviour in Parks and Open Spaces.	<p>Ballymun: Enhanced co-operation with Gardaí which included monitoring by Gardaí of CCTV in Parks and other hotspot areas. Increased visibility of Garda patrols.</p> <p>Finglas: Gardaí have been supplied with keys to Parks experiencing anti social behaviour problems after closure of Parks.</p> <p>Regular inspections of open spaces by Public Domain Officer.</p>	Ongoing	<p>This has achieved a substantial reduction in the level of anti social behaviour in most Parks and open spaces with a few exceptions, which will continue to be actively monitored by the Gardaí.</p> <p>A significant reduction in the number of bonfires, damage to open spaces and the level of anti social behaviour at Halloween</p>

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2. To increase membership of the North West Area Joint Policing Sub Committee to include 2 representatives from the business sector.	Whitehall / Ballymun Area Partnership and the North Dublin Chamber of Commerce were contacted and asked for a nominee to represent the business sector.	6 months (nomination process) Remaining life of JPSC (i.e. till June 2014)	Nominations received Mr. Robert Murphy, Supervalu, Ballymun and Ms. Donna Curry, Ardmore Hotel, Finglas were approved as members of the Committee (October 2012 meeting). Will attend from January 2013.
3. Proliferation of Off Licences and other premises selling alcohol.	Notify the NWA JPSC on new licensing applications and change of use (planning application) in this regard which in turn will be fed down to the Safety For a. Annual Renewal of Licences (September each year) will be listed as an agenda item for the July JPC. Protocol to be put in place to ensure that this is brought to the attention of Residents Associations etc. well in advance of September.	Ongoing Each year	Gardaí are informing Dublin City Council of new applications for Liquor licences which is then brought to the attention of the other Committee members and likewise Dublin City Council are informing the Committee members of change of use applications (planning) in this regard.
4. To support local agencies and community organisations in combating substance abuse.	Support the Finglas/Cabra and Ballymun Local Drugs Task Forces in implementing local responses to substance abuse. Support the implementation, by all relevant agencies, of the Ballymun Alcohol Strategy. Preparation of a Draft Alcohol Strategy for Finglas	Ongoing	Both Local Drugs Task Force Coordinators regularly attend and report at the NWAJPSC. Finglas Addiction Support Team Centre officially opened by President Higgins May 2012. Work on this has begun by the Coordinator of the Finglas/Cabra Local Drugs Task Force.
5. Promote all aspects of Safety in the North West Area	A programme containing a wide range of safety related issues was organised and delivered in Ballymun and Finglas by the Safety Coordinators. Regular meetings of Safer Ballymun/Finglas Safety Fora were held in Ballymun and Finglas respectively.	Autumn 2012	Finglas Safety Week 24 – 30 th September. Safer Ballymun Week 22 nd – 26 th October. 4 Safer Ballymun Public meetings were held together with a number of smaller more localised meetings. 15 meetings of the Finglas Safety Fora were held in Finglas South, Finglas West and Finglas East (5 each).

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6.Consideration to Extinguishment of Public Right of Way where incidents of crime/antisocial behaviour are high.	<p>The Public Right of Way was extinguished on Charlie's Lane (Cappagh Road /Mellowes Park).</p> <p>To prepare a protocol for the Extinguishment of Public Right of Way procedure so as to eliminate delays caused by referrals between the Area Committee and the Area JPSC.</p>	6 months approx.	<p>Wall built to eliminate access through the Laneway which has had a very positive result in relation to previous problems experienced at this location.</p> <p>Protocol agreed by the Area Committee and recommended to Citywide JPC for adoption.</p>
7.To monitor and assist when possible, anti social behaviour problems in the Dunsink Lane (former Tiphead Lands) / Ratoath Road area e.g. Quad bikes, motorbikes, horses etc.	<p>Hold regular meetings of the Dunsink Lane Task Force and feedback information, where appropriate, to the Local Safety Fora.</p> <p>Discussed at the July JPC meetings. Problems associated with quad bikes being driven in Tolka Valley Regional Park was discussed at July JPSC meeting and whether the powers that the Gardaí have under the Road Traffic Legislation and Park Byelaws are adequate to address that problem.</p>	July 2012 and ongoing	Adequacy of existing legislation to enable the Gardaí deal with the problem of quad bikes / motor bikes being driven on open spaces and parks. City Manager has raised this matter with the Assistant Garda Commissioner and one of the Local T.D.'s is also drafting a Private Members Bill in this regard.
8.Update on CCTV across the North West Area	<p>Standing item on the Agenda CCTV – Ballymun</p> <p>Progressing the application for approval, for the installation of a CCTV system at Cardiffsbridge Road / Wellmount Road junction to combat drug dealing etc. at this location.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Expected to be operational by the end of March 2013</p>	<p>The CCTV coverage in Ballymun continues to be of great benefit to the Gardaí. Continued maintenance of CCTV in Dunsink Lane has also resulted in a sharp reduction in criminality, dumping etc. at this location.</p> <p>Installation of CCTV approved funding in place it is hoped to have CCTV operational first quarter 2013.</p>
9.Hotspots for anti-social behaviour	<p>Local Safety For a identify areas with particular difficult estate management issues. Targeted intervention by Gardaí and City Council with support of local residents.</p>	Ongoing	Anti social behaviour presentation / feedback during consultation process.

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10. Cross boundary issues Dublin City Council / Fingal County Council	Jointly address issues that arise, of a cross boundary nature.	Ongoing	Regular communication between Safety Forum Co-ordinators. Issues brought from NWAJPSC to Fingal/Dublin City Council Inter Agency meetings for action. Finglas Safety Co-ordinator to attend Dunsink Lane Task Force meetings from 2013.

There were no public meetings hosted by the North West Area Joint Policing Sub Committee in 2012 as the need for such public meetings was deemed by that Committee as being met by way of meetings of Safer Ballymun and Finglas Safety Fora.

North West Area Joint Policing Sub Committee

There were 4 meetings of the North West Area Joint Policing Sub Committee in 2012. These meetings were held on:

1. 16th January
2. 30th April
3. 16th July
4. 15th October

The Chairperson was Cllr. Paul McAuliffe.

Name of Member	Representing	Title	No of Meetings Attended.
Roisin Shortall TD	Dail Eireann	Deputy	4
John Lyons TD	Dail Eireann	Deputy	4
Dessie Ellis TD	Dail Eireann	Deputy	2
Paul McAuliffe	Fianna Fáil	Councillor	4
Dr Bill Tormey	Fine Gael	Councillor	3
John Redmond	Labour	Councillor	4
Anthony Connaghan	Sinn Fein	Councillor	3
Stephen Wrenn	Labour	Councillor	1
Charlie Lowe	Dublin City Council	Executive Manager	4
Declan Coburn	Garda Síochána	Chief Superintendent	3
Frank Clerkin	Garda Síochána	Chief Superintendent	3
Pat Clavin	Garda Síochána	Superintendent	1
Tony Byrne	Community Rep – Finglas	Community Rep	4
Antoinette Doyle	Community Rep – Ballymun	Community Rep	4

Report of South Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee

Priority Issue	Actions taken in relation to each	Responsibility of:	Time-scale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
Restorative Justice	Presentation to Committee	Dublin City Council	Completed	Information for members of JPC
Stealing from clothes banks	Escalated to Citywide JPC	Citywide JPC	Completed	Escalated to JPC
Representative from Dept of Social protection to deal with tenants in private accommodation causing anti social behaviour	Letters to Dept Social Protection requesting rep.	Dublin City Council	Completed	Response received from Dept indicating that it will not be sending a representative
Licensing of concerts. (following Swedish House Mafia incidents)	Clarification sought	Dublin City Council	Completed	Clarification obtained from DCC & meeting held between DCC, Gardaí, O.P.W & residents of Chapelizod regarding the fallout from the concert & its effects on the community i.e Anti social behaviour by those attending the concert.
Violence directed towards Emergency Services personnel	Presentation by Dublin Fire Brigade	Dublin City Council	Completed	Information for members of JPC
Report from DCC Estate Managers in relation to anti social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes	Estate Management Statistics circulated at JPC meetings.	Dublin City Council	Quarterly	Reports circulated as required.
Crime figures for Garda DMRs of South Central Area .	Garda Statistics circulated to each member prior to meeting.	Garda Siochana	Quarterly	Reports circulated as required.
Halloween bonfire material	Public Domain Officer reports to Committee. Gardaí report to Committee	DCC Garda Siochana	Pre Halloween annually	Large amount of material collected (action completed by DCC with the support of the Gardaí)
Unsuitability of premises at Walkinstown used as a Post Office Post Office following two robberies.	The Committee requested that a letter to An Post be sent requesting the Post office be relocated to another premises this Post Office	Dublin City Council	Completed	Reply received from An Post

Priority Issue	Actions taken in relation to each	Responsibility of:	Time-scale for action	Summarise Progress Achieved
The Committee requested a report on the situation with regard to Section 62 of the Housing Act 1966 and how Court decisions are affecting the current eviction process	Report prepared for the Committee by Acting Area Manager	Dublin City Council	Completed	Report given to Committee by Acting Area Manager
Process available for dealing with Anti Social behaviour by tenants in private dwellings who are in receipt of rent allowances.	Letter to Minister for social protection.	Dublin City Council	Completed	Comprehensive reply received and distributed to Committee members

The advice/recommendations provided by the JPC to the local authority and the Gardaí during the year.

1. The Committee requested that the Garda visibility in the vicinity of Ballyfermot Leisure Centre be increased to disrupt the activities of teenagers hanging around and provide security for the Staff working there – **implemented.**
2. The Committee requested the Gardaí do more Crime Prevention leaflet drops – **implemented.**

Public meetings hosted by the JPC during the year.

Details of the public meetings that the JPC hosted during the year concerning matters affecting the policing of the local authority's administrative area - **There were no public meetings held during 2012 by the JPC subcommittee but the local community safety Fora were accessible by the community.**

Record of meetings held in 2012 and list of members.

Date of each meeting

20th Jan 2012	20th April 2012	13th July 2012	19th October 2012
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Name of Chairperson Cllr Vincent Jackson

NAME OF MEMBER	ORGANISATION OF WHICH MEMBER	TITLE	NO OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Aengus O'Snodaigh	Dail Eireann	Deputy	2
Catherine Byrne	Dail Eireann	Deputy	2
Eric Byrne	Dail Eireann	Deputy	1
Michael Conaghan	Dail Eireann	Deputy	1
Joan Collins	Dail Eireann	Deputy	
Bríd Smith	Dublin City Council	Councillor	2
Michael O'Sullivan	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Rebecca Moynihan	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Sheila Howes	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Ruairi Mc Ginley	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Criona Ní Dhalaiagh	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Louise Minihan	Dublin City Council	Councillor	

NAME OF MEMBER	ORGANISATION OF WHICH MEMBER	TITLE	NO OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Vincent Jackson	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
John Gallagher	Dublin City Council	Councillor	
Pat Dunne	Dublin City Council	Councillor	2
Henry Upton	Dublin City Council	Councillor	
Clare Byrne	Dublin City Council	Councillor	2
Michael O'Sullivan	Garda Siochána	Chief Superintendent	1*
Declan Coburn	Garda Siochána	Chief Superintendent	3*
Brendan Mangan	Garda Siochána	Chief Superintendent	*
Ciara Faughnan	Canal Communities	M/s	3
Henry Harding		Mr	3

* There were representatives at each meeting from each Garda DMR of South Central Area.

Report of North Central Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee

There were meetings in January, April, July and October with Cllr Gerry Breen as chairperson. Listed below are the agenda items:

- Update report on Control of Horses
- Summary Reports on Safer Forums: Belcamp/Darndale/Moatview, Belmayne/Clongriffin, Donaghmede and Edenmore.
- Safety Forum Sub Group reports
 - Renewal of open space Belcamp Avenue
 - DCC and HSE services in relation to anti-social behaviour.
- Sale of Solvents
- Internet Shops
- Impact of night-time closures of Howth and Malahide Garda Stations on Raheny, Clontarf and Coolock Station
- North Central JPC Bulletins
- Work Plan 2011/2012
- White Paper on Crime - Community and the Criminal Justice System – overview of submissions December 2011
- Garda presentation regarding Burglaries
- Dublin Metropolitan Policing Plan
- North Central JPC Sub Committee Work Plan 2012/2013
- Update report on Grove Lane
- Dublin North East Drugs Task Force 2012 and updates
- Lord Mayor's Commission on Anti-Social Behaviour
- Public Meeting in October in Edenmore
- Feedback and lessons from Public Meeting
- Reports of Chief Superintendent.
- Proposed Garda Central Point of Contact.
- Garda/DCC working group on Halloween
- Motor vehicles speeding in residential areas.
- Presentation from Northside Partnership
- Halloween report on actions by DCC, Gardai and community.

Chief Superintendent advised that the following recommendations for action:

- Report on the work of the Juvenile Liaison Officer to Local Policing Fora on an annual basis
- Joint Policing Committee to engage with communities regarding comments on the granting of licences
- Expedite plans to identify key Garda personnel at district and divisional level with reference to the recommendation on support following intimidation.

The Committee agreed that the Health Services Executive Board should have a representative on the Joint Policing Committee, Chairperson to follow up.

Lord Mayor's Commission on Anti-Social Behaviour.

Conference 29th February 2012 "Preventing and Responding to Anti-Social behaviour "

Conference Overview

All the speakers had relevant experience and in general their presentations were engaging and excellent. The causes and remedies to anti-social behaviour are complex.

The quality of a person's life and communities can be seriously diminished by ASB.

A real conundrum for citizens is to accept that long term preventative measures are equal although, though often invisible, as the short term visible actions. There is often a genuine urgency about short-term remedial and visible action at a particular location. Such urgency is more often, strongly and understandably articulated, than the long term policy and strategic approach.

The political capital and sustainable social gain of the long term approach needs to be highlighted as a credible public policy goal. Progress and democratic accountability on the use of preventative controls could be measured by the use of suitable inputs, outputs and outcomes over defined periods to provide management information in a democratic and accountable body.

There are many public and not for profit organisations involved in dealing with the causes, effects and victims of ASB. There is a wealth of experience and skills there. Co-ordination and management is dispersed across many statutory, voluntary and community group. The issue of more effective co-ordination was articulated at the conference.

Co-ordination of Anti-Social Behaviour Strategies and Services.

A common theme and stated requirement at the conference was the co-ordination of ASB strategies and services. The City Council, Gardaí and HSE have existing ASB strategies, services, skills and staff. The Dept of Education and Skills established the National Behaviour Support Service for secondary schools in 2006. It is contended that those bodies have sufficient resources and responsibility to provide the co-ordination required through the Joint Police Committee (JPC), Safer Forums and associated methodologies.

Since 2007, the JPC structure has been operational and has developed over past years. It contains senior management of DCC and Garda Síochana, public representatives and community representation. It is noticeable for the absence of HSE and Education sectors. Perhaps there is scope to include them as a matter of routine.

ASB Conference Conclusion.

There was a DCC management view, that Instead of establishing another body or structure within an organisation, the JPC structure with Police Forums and methodologies with the inclusion of HSE and Education should be examined for their capacity to enhance the co-ordination of ASB services and initiatives.

Gardai, Anti-Social Behaviour, and Woodale project

From a DCC Housing Authority perspective, anti-social behaviour is not always a crime. However when it relates to public order, threats, assaults and similar the activity moves from the civil to criminal scope. The Gardai investigate such reported incidents of ASB.

The Gardai have a community presence throughout North Central Area and contribute and involve themselves various local voluntary and statutory organisations. An important initiative is the Woodale Project funded by the Department of Justice and includes the Belcamp, Darndale, Moatview and Priorswood areas. Briefly its purpose is “youth diversion “whereby supports and activities are provided to avoid young people getting involved crime.

Its managing committee includes senior Gardai including the Juvenile Liaison Officer (JLO), Sphere 17 and community representatives. Woodale organises outdoor activities and sports programmes and encourages a sense of responsibility and an awareness of the consequences of crime on individuals and people. It caters for 40/50 young people per annum on referral by the JLO.

Garda provide a service leaflet “Guide for the Victims of Youth Crime” and there is a Garda victim support service on its web site. There are Community Garda units in the local stations.

Local Policing Fora

There are currently four local policing fora operating in the North Central Area - Safer Belcamp/Darndale/Moatview, Safer Belmayne/Clongriffin, Safer Edenmore and Safer Donaghmede. These met every two months and are open to the public. Set out hereunder are the main topics and actions raised in 2012.

Safer Belcamp/Darndale/Moatview

Relevant matters included:

- Buttercup and Spine site redevelopment including footpaths.
- Illegal dumping – Darndale park.
- Quad bikes in Darndale Park – scrambler bike seized.
- Bus Shelters, Priorswood Rd, exploring options with Dublin Bus.
- Halloween and DCC Community Section staff contribution and local community assurances on assistance
- Supermarket trolleys dumping – DCC contact with supermarkets
- Anti-social behaviour in parks

- You Tube Anti-social behaviour video by Sphere 17
- At the July meeting, it was noted that burglaries were down in the area
- Garda crime prevention advice to commercial premises
- Anti-social behaviour at a particular location,
- Waste management,
- Replacement of CCTV
- Horses in urban areas
- Environmental initiatives
- Sub Group established to review trespass at Belcamp Lane and impact on residents of Newtown Court.

Two successful short term sub groups were established in relation i) to the renewal of a formerly ugly open space with a history of anti-social behaviour and ii) a review with of Anti-Social Behaviour services provided by DCC and HSE.

In the interest of balance and a focus on positive developments, there is an agenda item on local highlights and achievements. Notable matters included the visit by President Michael D Higgins in September, visit by Lord Mayor to present certificates at Discovery training centre, Village Centre Festival, prizes for the Village Centre and one cul de sac at Tulip Court in North Central City Neighbourhoods Competition while DCC's Sport Development Officer organised a series of programmes such as Sports Integration Week, golf academy in partnership with Sphere 17. With the FAI, a soccer blitz day is planned as part of the Halloween Sports Programme.

Safer Belmayne/Clongriffin

Relevant matters included:

- Review of North Fringe Local Area Plan – providing for local consultation and communication on revisions.
- New planning applications.
- Some vandalism adjacent to car-park Clongriffin Square
- Developer Gannon reviewed control measures to reduce vandalism e.g. special windscreen glass.
- Gardai working with DART/Dublin Bus, and local businesses generally to reduce anti-social behaviour in summer period.
- Hoardings and new boundary treatments at vacant sites
- Beau-park square play ground vandalism.
- Some graffiti in Fr Collins park but promptly erased by DCC contractor.
- Local frustration at graffiti tagging of train station
- Garda information and particular advice on prevention of home burglaries
- Roads and traffic matters – Marrsfield road works to Hole in Wall Rd,
- Early morning traffic delays exiting Main St.
- Events in Fr Collins park – Family Fun day, Northside Musical festival and in July UNESCO sustainable culture event (Nelson Mandela day) with visit by South African Ambassador.

Underground car-park – Clongriffin Square

Another matter raised was underground public car park at Clongriffin Square which is immediately adjacent to Clongriffin train station. The car park is free to users with the agreement of the developer.

The issue of a sense of safety and utilization came to light at the forum where a view was expressed that broken glass there and that some of the physical conditions were not conducive to users and may be a deterrent.

The City Council's North Central Area Office decided to randomly check the car parking usage in the period 3rd October to 20th December. The findings indicate an ongoing similar number of parked vehicles during working days (50 to 55 averages) over the three month period.

The developer carried out some improvement work in October. It is considered the car-park presents a reasonable appearance and sense of safety.

The numbers of users remain steady. Given that the car-park has space for several hundred vehicles, there may be scope for increased use by daily Dart commuters in the immediate areas. DCC informed Iarnoid Eireann of the findings.

Safer Donaghmede

Issues arising relate to:

- Road and traffic concerns
- Grange Road/Hole in the Wall Road/Clarehall junction.
- Footpaths and kerbs condition and trip
- Illegal Dumping
- Graffiti-
- Noticeable reduction in house Burglaries-
- Good security advice by Gardai has been exchanged at the meetings,
- Donaghmede receiving a placing of second in the National Pride of Place competition a 32 county competition.

Safer Edenmore

Community participation in Edenmore has seen an increase in 2012 and a new environment award winning group has been established. A highly successful community event was held on the 18th August and saw the biggest participation to date of services, businesses and Community Groups.

Safer Edenmore has dealt with a wide range of issues such as

- Immediate safety in and around the Shopping Centre location in Edenmore.
- graffiti reduction
- Waste management and public health matters.
- Reduction on a range of crime related activity in the area. Other noticeable features are :

- increase in level of community activity with Edenmore Halloween and Christmas events illustrate this change with a small Festival scale event at Halloween to include a DCC funded Fireworks display arranged in conjunction with the SAFE group , local youth and community workers and with Gardai and DCC personnel working in unison.
- Ongoing engagement with the local safety group called SAFE which has been established in Edenmore over the last number of years. Garda and DCC personnel have been part of and contribute resources to this group whenever possible, but in general on an ongoing basis.
- Edenmore is on the upward spiral in terms of improvements currently, and it is planned to take advantage of this into the future.

Garda presence and assistance at DCC promoted summer festivals

The advice and attendance of Gardai at several outdoor events during the summer was appreciated, particularly Clontarf, Donaghmede and Fairview and Fr Collins parks.

Overview – good co-operation and demonstrable community gain

It is considered that the JPC structure and the four local police forum have improved communications between DCC, Garda, Community and other bodies. The JPC Sub Committee is a mechanism for democratic accountability and is used to escalate matters identified at forum level, to raise policy topics, share plans and also to refer relevant matters to the Citywide JPC. The frequency and methods of the forums have identified actions with positive outcomes leading to demonstrable community gain as illustrated in some of the tangible achievement list in this report.

Report of South East Area Joint Policing Sub-Committee

Priority issue	Actions taken in relation to each	Stakeholders	Timescale for action
1. Establish regular liaison between An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council to address factors contributing to anti- social behaviour in public parks and open spaces	Regular meetings held between Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána Initiative in operation between E District and Dublin City Council Parks Department to accommodate the extended opening hours of both Herbert Park & Ringsend Park during the summer season.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going Review to take place in September & December

Summarise Progress Achieved

Regular communication between Parks Department & An Garda Síochána.

Ringsend Park:

- Trial reviewed September 2012.
- Fewer incidents of anti-social activity in the park & fewer incidents of vandalism occurred during the trial period.
- Public appreciated being able to use the park early in the morning when the park would normally be closed.
- Number of complaints from residents who lived adjacent to the park due to the high levels of noise from people passing their houses late at night and congregating in the streets outside the park.
- The review group recommended that due to the onset of winter and Halloween it would be best to revert back to closing the park at normal park closing hours.

Herbert Park

- The review meeting took place in early December and the following was discussed:
- Comments & e-mails received from the public were generally positive. A small number had concerns regarding their public safety when using the public road at night time while the gates were open. However, no incidents were reported to the Garda of actual assaults or public disturbance.
- The local hotel complained of excessive noise coming from the park & it requested a key to lock the gateway closest to the hotel. The hotel has since observed that less youths use this access route at night although the preference of the hotel management is for all gates in the park to be closed.
- Regular high visible foot patrols are undertaken by the Gardaí & there has been a noticeable decline in the number of public order offences reported in the park during the trial period.
- DCC Park staff reported fewer incidents of anti-social activity and vandalism during the trial period.

Trial period to be extended until early summer with an interim review to be undertaken at the end of March.

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2. Support initiatives such as Park User Groups with a view to extending to other parks in the South East Area	User Group meetings attended by representatives from Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going
Summarise Progress Achieved			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ringsend Park Working Group amalgamated with Ringsend/Irishtown Local Policing Forum. • Herbert Park User Group meetings suspended due to staff shortages. • Parks User Groups to be reviewed in 2013. 			
3. Build on existing partnerships between Dublin City Council and Gardaí in controlling and removing bonfire materials at Halloween	<p>Halloween Working Group established in September 2012.</p> <p>Regular meetings to be held prior to Halloween.</p> <p>Comprehensive plan to be in place in advance of Halloween.</p>	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	Sept- Oct 2012
<p>Halloween Working Group established.</p> <p>75 tonnes of bonfire materials removed in the South East Area prior to Halloween</p> <p>The impact of Halloween activities and number of bonfires was minimal due to the success of the coordinated approach by Gardaí and Dublin City Council</p>			
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4. To utilise a partnership approach to the removal of graffiti in public areas	<p>Ongoing liaison between Dublin City Council and the Gardaí.</p> <p>Evidence provided by Dublin City Council to</p>	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	Ongoing

	An Garda Síochána in relation to graffiti incidents where relevant.		
Summarise Progress Achieved			
<p>5100 sq metres of graffiti removed by Dublin City Council Graffiti Removal Contractor</p> <p>Following a lengthy investigation, three people were arrested by Community Policing, Pearse Street. The Director of Public Prosecutions has directed charges against one individual.</p>			
5. Produce Crime Statistic reports on the levels of crime in the area and underlying contributing factors.	<p>One standardised report format agreed for both Districts.</p> <p>Report circulated at JPC meetings.</p>	An Garda Síochána	Quarterly
Standardised report submitted in advance for the information of the Committee.			
6. Produce reports on Estate Management Statistic in relation to anti-social behaviour complaints in Dublin City Council complexes	South East Area Estate Management Statistics circulated at JPC meetings.	Dublin City Council	Quarterly
Quarterly updates circulated at South East Area Joint Policing Committee meetings. Report format to be reviewed in 2013.			
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7. Support the work of the Dublin City Business Policing Forum.	Provide Dublin City Business Policing Forum updates to the South East Area JPC and vice versa	South East Area JPC	On going

Summarise Progress Achieved			
All meetings attended & relevant information referred.			
8. Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána to continue to work in partnership in relation to the management of Events in the South East Area	An Garda Síochána, DCC Events Management Unit & South East Area staff involved in the consultation process of all events in the area.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	On going
Statutory Agency meetings attended by Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána prior to Major Events. Debrief meetings of Major Events attended and input provided by Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána Minor events commented on by Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána Advance consultation with Dublin City Council & the Stakeholders e.g. FAI, IRFU, Event Management Teams. Code of practise strictly adhered to.			
9. Continue to implement bye-laws and existing legislation to combat drinking on open spaces and in public places throughout the area.	Stringent application by An Garda Síochána is applied where large crowds gather particularly on event days (concerts, matches etc). Continued liaison with the licensed trade and those involved in the management of the night time economy.	An Garda Síochána	On going
Implemented at all events. Public Order Offences -26% Drunkenness Offences -28% Assaults -18%			

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<p>10. Ensure mediation services are available to Dublin City Council tenants as a method to resolve disputes between neighbours.</p>	<p>Dublin City Council tenants informed that mediation services are available to resolve disputes</p>	<p>Dublin City Council</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Summarise Progress Achieved</p>			
<p>One request for Mediation Services in March 2012</p>			
<p>11. Continue to enforce the Criminal Justice Public Order Act 2011 (Begging Legislation) to combat begging in the area</p>	<p>Continued Garda Enforcement.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Continuous Enforcement. One file to the Director of Public Prosecutions on organised begging.</p>			
<p>12. Identify individual "hot spots" including laneways in the area in the context of anti-social behaviour</p>	<p>At the request of the Dublin City Policing Forum all city centre laneways were inspected, a report was produced and recommendations were made.</p> <p>Regular monitoring of "hotspots" including laneways is carried out by the Gardaí and Dublin City Council on an ongoing basis.</p>	<p>Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>Review on annual basis</p>
<p>Hotspots including laneways monitored regularly in 2012 & appropriate action taken. Review on a monthly basis & prioritised.</p>			

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<p>13. An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council to work in partnership with local businesses and street performers to address issues which have arisen with busking around the city, most notably in relation to the inappropriate use of amplifiers.</p>	<p>The Street Performer Code was adopted by Dublin`s street performers in August 2012.</p>	<p>Dublin City Council, An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>Review December 12</p>
<p>Summarise Progress Achieved</p>			
<p>Street Performance Voluntary Code of Conduct reviewed in December 2012.</p> <p>Code was not adopted by all street performers.</p> <p>To be reviewed by Environment & Engineering SPC with a view to the introduction of bye-laws.</p> <p>Introduction of enforcement measures to be considered in 2013.</p> <p>Submission of An Garda Síochána findings to Street Performer Code. On agenda of Local Business Forum on 19th February to see what course of action to take.</p>			
<p>14. Continue to ensure the protection of vulnerable persons and groups</p>	<p>Continued implementation of the Garda Diversity Strategy 2009-2012, the Garda Older People Strategy & the Safer Communities Campaign.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Diversity Strategy complete & being evaluated at National Level – ongoing.</p>			

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15. Continue to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable	Continued engagement with individuals and victim groups. Continued liaison with Family Liaison Groups. List of "Victim Help Groups" promoted by South East Area JPC	An Garda Síochána	On going
Summarise Progress Achieved			
New Victim Charter to be introduced in 2013. Crime Victim Hotline set up. Irish Tourist Assistance Service Hotline set up.			
16. Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives	South East Area Joint Policing page with link to www.garda.ie included on South East Area web pages. Safety information leaflets circulated to members at meetings. Safety information leaflets circulated to all Community Groups in the Area. Safety initiatives promoted by South East Area Councillors in clinics & newsletters.	South East Area JPC	On going
Web page with link to www.garda.ie included on South East Area web pages. Safety initiatives promoted by South East Area Councillors in clinics & newsletters. Promotion of JPC to be reviewed in 2013.			

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<p>17. Continue to recognise and respond to the needs of victims of crime and to ensure protection of vulnerable</p>	<p>Continued engagement with individuals and victim groups.</p> <p>Continued liaison with Family Liaison Groups.</p> <p>List of "Victim Help Groups" promoted by South East Area JPC</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Summarise Progress Achieved</p>			
<p>New Victim Charter to be introduced in 2013. Crime Victim Hotline set up. Irish Tourist Assistance Service Hotline set up.</p>			
<p>18. Create an awareness amongst the citizens of the South East Area of Crime Prevention and Community Safety Initiatives</p>	<p>South East Area Joint Policing page with link to www.garda.ie included on South East Area web pages.</p> <p>Safety information leaflets circulated to members at meetings.</p> <p>Safety information leaflets circulated to all Community Groups in the Area.</p> <p>Safety initiatives promoted by South East Area Councillors in clinics & newsletters.</p>	<p>South East Area JPC</p>	<p>On going</p>
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<p>19. The Local Authority & An Garda Síochána to develop ways of local collaboration to reduce incidents of particular crime</p>	<p>Promote the pilot pedal cycle registration scheme which is in operation in the E & D districts in an effort to thwart stolen bikes being circulated and to facilitate the return of "found" bikes to owners by the Gardaí.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>Review December 2012</p>
<p>Summarise Progress Achieved</p>			
<p>Ongoing. 7% increase in 2012.</p>			
<p>20. Support the Neighbourhood Watch Schemes in the area.</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Watch Stickers, crime prevention advice and booklets distributed through local Neighbourhood Watch meetings</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>On going</p>			
<p>21. Reduce property crimes such as burglaries, thefts and robberies</p>	<p>Crime "hotspots" targeted</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>On going.</p> <p>Burglaries down 5% in 2012 Theft all categories up 15% Robberies same in 2012</p>			

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22. Support & encourage the work of the Juvenile Liaison Officer to Local Policing Fora on an annual basis.	Presentation on Juvenile Liaison Officer to be requested.	An Garda Síochána	December 12
Summarise Progress Achieved			
On going. 1 Sergeant & 1 Garda in Irishtown. 1 Garda in Pearse Street.			
23. To support the use of sport as an effective tool in engaging young people at risk of drug misuse into more structured and positive activities	Co-ordinate and implement sustainable sporting programmes for young people of the South East Area	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tag Rugby Programme • Schools Cricket Programme • Orienteering Programme • South East Area Mid Term Camps Night time Soccer Leagues for youth held Nov/Dec 2012. 3 teams from South Central, 1 from Pearse Street area. Final was held in Irishtown Stadium.			
24. Support the work of the Garda Juvenile Diversion Programme, the City of Dublin Youth Services Board, the South East Area Sports Development Officer, National Governing Bodies, School Completion Coordinator, Local Drugs Task Force and Local Community Groups	Identify priority groups through effective communication with the relevant organisations. Implement partnership programmes between the Sports Development Officer and the relevant groups.	An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council	On going

<p>4 new groups identified</p> <p>Partnership programmes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Completion Fitness programme • C.B.S. Adventure Programme • F.A.I. Evening Soccer League • Community Rugby Programme • Night time soccer league in conjunction with Dublin City Council, FAI paraded in Tallaght Stadium, Nov. 12 			
<p>25. To liaise with National Government Bodies in coordinating sports programmes</p>	<p>Regular communication with National Government Bodies</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Joint Initiatives which have taken place include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street Olympics • South East Area Boxing Programme • Volleyball Programme • Leinster Cricket Schools Programme • F.A.I Mini World Cup • Late Nite Soccer Leagues 			
<p>26. To continue to work in partnership with schools, community groups and centres to increase access for young people to sports and recreational facilities in the South East Area</p>	<p>To provide sports programmes using city council facilities and facilities provided by other organisations. This is achieved by the continuing co-ordination of partnership programmes in the South East Area.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána & Dublin City Council</p>	<p>On going</p>
<p>Sports Programmes provided in Dublin City Council facilities & facilities provided by other organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After Schools Sports Programmes – Gloucester Street & PARC • Schools Tag Rugby -PARC • Leaving Cert Applied Sports Programme – PARC • Ringsend/Irishtown Youth Service BMX Programme • Youth Exchange Sports Programme in conjunction with St. Andrews Resource Centre • Multi-sports mid-term camps Ringsend Irishtown Community Centre 			
<p>Priority issue</p>	<p>Actions taken in relation to each</p>	<p>Stakeholders</p>	<p>Timescale for action</p>
<p>27. Support the work programme of Pearse Street,</p>	<p>The Local Policing Fora to be requested by the South East Area JPC to prepare a</p>	<p>South East Area JPC</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>

Ringsend/Irishtown and Charlemont/Whitefriar Street Local Policing Forums.	work programme for year beginning 2013.		
Summarise Progress Achieved			
Local Policing Fora to be requested to prepare a Work Plan for 2013 following meeting with Steering Committee early 2013.			
28. Extend invitation to the Chairperson of each of the Local Policing Fora to attend the December meeting of the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee meeting	<p>Invitation issued to the Chairperson of each of the Local Policing Fora for the December meeting.</p> <p>Each Chairperson will be given the opportunity to speak and update the South East Area JPC in relation to the Forum they represent.</p>	South East Area JPC	December 2012
Presentation made at December meeting by Charlemont/Whitefriar Street LPF Ringsend/Irishtown & Pearse Street LPF declined the invitation.			
29. Establish structures to ensure feedback in both directions between JPC and LPF.	Meeting held in July with South East Area JPC Steering Committee and Chairpersons of the LPF to address issues/concerns.	South East Area JPC	
1 meeting held with Chairperson of each LPF July 2012. Invitation issued to Chairperson of each LPF to attend and provide update at December JPC meeting.			
30. Consider recommendations of Local Policing Fora on issues which cannot be addressed within local structures.	Issue in relation to the suspension of the Pearse Street LPF in Autumn 2012 referred to South East Area JPC.	South East Area JPC	Ongoing
Ringsend Park Working Group amalgamated with Ringsend/Irishtown LPF. Issue in relation to the suspension of the Pearse Street LPF to be addressed by Steering Committee early 2013.			

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31. Support public meetings and Community Safety weeks organised by Local Policing Fora	No public meetings held.	South East Area JPC	Ongoing
Summarise Progress Achieved			
No public meetings held in 2012.			
32. Review & evaluate the effectiveness of JPC and LPF structures with the objective of improving performance.	South East Area JPC Steering Committee established in June to review and evaluate performance Members to table questions 3 weeks in advance of future meetings in order to increase productivity of meetings.	Dublin City Council & An Garda Síochána	June 2012 Quarterly
Steering Committee established. Meeting scheduled for Jan 2013 to review performance & evaluate performance. 4 members tabled questions for September meeting 5 members tabled questions for December meeting To be reviewed. Recommend more actioned focus.			
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33. Improve pedal cycle compliance in the South East Area	Canal Way Cycle Track launched in March 2012. Road Safety Awareness Programmes held in schools Continue to write to the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport to request a change in legislation to allow for the introduction of "On the Spot Fine" for offenders.	Dublin City Council, An Garda Síochána, Dublin City Council Cycling Officer & Dublin Bikes	Ongoing

Summarise Progress Achieved

Canal Way Cycle Track launched. Route is off road cycle route which has benefited commuters & tourists & makes the city more cycle friendly.

12 primary schools in the South East Area have applied to Dublin City Council to avail of grant-aid cycle training.

A letter was sent on behalf of members to the Citywide JPC. The Citywide JPC agreed the item at the December meeting & a letter requesting consideration for the introduction of an "On the Spot Fine" will be sent to the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport.
On going.

<p>34. Promote Garda Services and the role of the Garda Ethnic Liaison Officers to make migrant communities aware of the Garda Intercultural and Diversity Office to encourage them to report crimes including racist incidents</p>	<p>Support community organisations to help promote good relationships between different communities and to establish links between immigrant communities and the Gardaí and facilitate and promote the appropriate reporting of racist incidents.</p>	<p>An Garda Síochána</p>	<p>On going</p>
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On going.
Ethnic Liaison Officers attending mosques on a regular basis.
Liaison with Chinese Community for Chinese New Year.

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<p>35. Support the work of the of the Office of Integration</p> <p>Continued promotion of the message that Dublin is an open city, a city which respects and embraces difference, is accessible, safe and equal and does not accept racism and discrimination</p>	<p>Work of the Office of Integration supported.</p> <p>Updates on the work of the Office of Integration included in Dublin City Council JPC quarterly report</p> <p>Intercultural events promoted and supported in the</p>	<p>Dublin City Council</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Jan 2012 Feb 2012 May 2012</p>

	South East Area including: Chinese New Year Russian Festival Africa Week Intercultural Picnic		July 2012
<p>“One City – One People – Dublin Says No to Racism & Discrimination for 2012” Dublin City Council’s Office for Integration supported by the Office for the Promotion of Migrant Integration within the Department of Justice & Equality together with the participation of the city transport companies led this key initiative for the city during Autumn 2012. The initiative focused on city’s immigrant population to promote inclusion, integration and to combat racism and discrimination.</p> <p>Intercultural Events promoted & supported in 2012 included:</p> <p>Chinese New Year Russian Festival Africa Week Intercultural Picnic</p>			

The following advice/recommendations were provided by the JPC sub-committee to the local authority and the Gardaí during the year.

1. **Anti-Social Behaviour in South East Area Parks**
 JPC recommended that an initiative should be put in place to address the issue of anti-social behaviour in South East Area Parks.
2. **Graffiti**
 JPC recommended that an update in relation to “Graffiti” should be provided by both An Garda Síochána and Dublin City Council at every meeting.
3. **Improve Pedal Cycle compliance in South East Area.**
 JPC recommended that “Cyclists not obeying the Rules of the Road” should remain as an agenda item. JPC recommended that Dublin City Council and An Garda Síochána should endeavour to promote safe cycling in the city.
4. **Develop the relationship between the Local Policing Fora and the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee.**
 JPC recommended that the relationship the Local Policing Fora and the South East Area JPC should be strengthened and enhanced.
5. **Garda Clearance Vetting Process (Raised at December meeting & was not included in as a priority Issue in 2012 Work Plan).**
 Members requested that the vetting process for obtaining Garda clearance be simplified in order to speed up the process

Results from the advice and recommendations set out at 2.1 above. Were as follows;

1. **Anti-Social Behaviour in South East Area Parks**
 - Presentation made at March meeting by Senior Executive Parks Superintendent, Dublin City Council.
 - Initiative in operation between E District and Dublin City Council Parks Department to accommodate the extended opening hours of both Herbert Park & Ringsend Park during the summer season.

Ringsend Park

- Fewer incidents of anti-social activity in the park & fewer incidents of vandalism occurred during the trial period.

Herbert Park:

- Regular high visible foot patrols are undertaken by the Gardaí & there has been a noticeable decline in the number of public order offences reported in the park during the trial period.
- DCC Park staff reported fewer incidents of anti-social activity and vandalism during the trial period.

2. Graffiti

- Presentation made at June meeting by Public Domain Enforcement Officer, Dublin City Council,
- Quarterly statistics in relation to graffiti removal are provided at each meeting by Dublin City Council
- 5100 sq metres of graffiti removed by Dublin City Council Graffiti Removal Contractor
- Following a lengthy investigation, three people were arrested by Community Policing, Pearse Street. The Director of Public Prosecutions has directed charges against one individual.

3. Cyclists not obeying the rules of the road

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4. Develop the relationship between the Local Policing Fora and the South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee

- 1 meeting held with Chairperson of each Local Policing Forum in July 2012.
- Invitation issued to Chairperson of each Local Policing Forum to attend and provide update at December JPC meeting. Invitation accepted by Charlemont/Whitefriar Street LPF. Ringsend/Irishtown & Pearse Street LPF declined the invitation.

5. Garda Clearance Vetting Process

- An Garda Síochána reported that although there is a time delay in obtaining Garda clearance due to the large volume of requests that the process cannot be simplified as the safety of the children and public is paramount.

Public meetings hosted by the JPC sub-committee during the year.

- The South East Area Joint Policing Subcommittee did not host any public meetings in 2012.

Record of meetings held in 2012 and list of members.

Total number of JPC meetings held in the year **4**

Date of each meeting

30th March 2012

27th June 2012

25th September 2012

12th December 2012

Name of Chairperson **Councillor Edie Wynne**

Name of Member	Organisation of which member	Title	No of meetings attended
Chief Superintendent M O'Sullivan	An Garda Siochána	Chief Superintendent	2
Chief Superintendent B Mangan *	An Garda Siochána	Chief Superintendent	2
Michael O'Neill *	Dublin City Council	Area Manager	3
Cllr Edie Wynne	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Cllr Jim O'Callaghan	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Cllr Mannix Flynn	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Cllr Gerry Ashe	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Cllr Oisín Quinn	Dublin City Council	Councillor	0
Cllr Maria Parodi	Dublin City Council	Councillor	1
Cllr Mary Freehill	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Cllr Paddy McCartan	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Cllr Kieran Binchy	Dublin City Council	Councillor	3
Cllr Dermot Lacey	Dublin City Council	Councillor	4
Mr Paddy Marron	Community Rep	Mr	3
Ms Pauline Doyle	Community Rep	Ms	2
Deputy Eoghan Murphy *	Oireachtas	Deputy	1
Deputy Kevin Humphreys*	Oireachtas	Deputy	2

** Chief Superintendent Brendan Mangan appointed mid 2012.
Michael O'Neill, Dublin City Council retired November 2012.

Councillor Gerry Breen

Chairperson

Dublin City Joint Policing Committee