

DUBLIN CITY JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE



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To the Lord Mayor and Members of Dublin City Council

You are invited to attend a Special meeting of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee to be held on Monday 8th April 2013 at 10.30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Dublin 2.

AGENDA

- **This meeting will be the second in a series of targeted safety awareness campaigns in Dublin City.**

This meeting will focus on Mobile Phone Theft.

Further special meetings of the Joint Policing Committee will be held later in the year.

Brendan Kenny
Assistant City Manager
Dublin City Council
Wood Quay, Dublin 8

28th March 2013

To the Chairperson and Members
of the Dublin City Joint Policing Committee.



Special Joint Policing Committee Meeting – Monday 8th April 2013

Re: The Theft of smart Phones.

The Joint Policing Committee decided in 2012 to develop a campaign of awareness around some key areas of current crime and safety in the city namely;

- Security of your home
- Theft of smart phones
- Night time economy issues in the city
- Public disorder

In November 2012 we launched the “Home, Safe Home” campaign and this meeting will highlight awareness and information on the growing incidence of smart phone theft .

This type of crime appears to have increased significantly in recent times and there are some reports that such thefts are well planned and organised and that stolen smart phones are being sold here and abroad.

The Garda Síochána will outline in more detail on these issues at this meeting.

The attached information/awareness leaflet will be widely circulated through the relevant web-sites and through social media outlets and we are requesting that all members of this Joint Policing Committee would also circulate it through their own organisation and communication systems.

Brendan Kenny
Assistant City Manager

Dublin City Joint Policing Committee
Minutes of Special Meeting held on Monday 8th of April 2013
at 10.30 a.m., Council Chamber, City Hall

Attendance:

Councillor Gerry Breen (Chairperson)
Councillor Edie Wynne
Councillor Mannix Flynn
Councillor John Redmond
Mr. Brendan Kenny, Assistant City Manager
Chief Superintendent Michael O'Sullivan, Pearse Street (for Asst. Commissioner John Twomey)
Mr. Peter O'Connor, Community Policing Forum (North East Inner City)
Mr. Zephyrin Ngaliema, The Integration Centre
Mr. Dick Brady, Assistant City Manager
Tom Coffey, DCBA.

Also present:

Councillor Sheila Howes
Chief Superintendent Pat Leahy, Store Street
Sgt Jim Molloy, Garda Press Office
Garda Inspector, Brian Woods
Garda Inspector Gerry Murphy
Garda Aidan Donnelly, Crime Prevention Officer.

Apologies:

Lord Mayor, Naoise Ó Muirí
Deputy Michael Conaghan
Deputy Maureen O'Sullivan
John Twomey Assistant Garda Commissioner
Councillor Larry O'Toole (Vice-chairperson)
Cllr. Tom Brabazon

The Chairperson Cllr. Gerry Breen opened the meeting by outlining the purpose of this special meeting which was to launch the "Be As Smart As Your Phone" smart phone theft prevention and awareness initiative. This is the second of a number of initiatives the JPC is embarking on to create greater awareness around problems affecting the safety of citizens in Dublin City. The Chair thanked the media for attending today's meeting.

1. Presentation by Inspector Brian Woods, on Operation Aughrim.

Presentation Noted.

Chief Superintendent Michael O'Sullivan added there is an organised element to the theft of smart phones especially along the evening time commuter belt in the city centre and the night time economy.

2. Report of the Assistant City Manager, Brendan Kenny.

Report Noted.

3. Members present welcomed the initiative and proceeded with a discussion following the presentation and reports.
The issues raised included;

- Leaflets should be circulated widely especially in schools and university where most students would have a smart phone.
- Explore the possibility of promoting the campaign on the JC Decaux roadside advertising poles.

Chairperson
Councillor Gerry Breen