

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee
Meeting Report
23rd November 2021 at 5.00 p.m.
Via Microsoft Teams

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The Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee meeting took place via Microsoft Teams on the 23rd November 2021 at 5.00 p.m.

Below is a synopsis of the meeting:

- The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting. Apologies were noted.
- The minutes of the 22nd September 2021 JPC meeting were approved.
- Cllr Hanafin noted that a date has not been set yet for the public meeting which was postponed.
- Gerry Flaherty, Senior Executive Engineer, gave a presentation on the new LA16 Collision reporting procedure.

Following the presentation queries were raised by members including:

- What was the position in relation to liability in the event that the engineering of a road was found to be the cause of a collision
- Will fatal collision sites be included in the new Road Safety Plan
- Will serious injury collisions be included as part of the new procedure
- What are key differences between the old and the new system

Gerry responded to the members' queries and asked if the Gardai could notify the Council of any fatal collisions. The report was noted.

- A presentation was given by Chief Superintendent Matthew Nyland on the current policing issues in the County which included the following areas:
 - Top 10 types of calls received and the frequency of calls to the DMR East in October 2021
 - Operation Tombola 2021
 - Policing in the Glencullen area
 - Update on DMR East Divisional Drug seizures
 - Update on operating model for DMR East Division (presented by John Gallagher)
 - Overview of crime statistics with a breakdown comparison for January to October 2020/2021
 - Overview of roads policing statistics with a breakdown comparison for January to October 2019-2021.

Following the presentation, a discussion was held and the committee thanked Chief Superintendent Nyland for the presentation and for the work of An Garda Síochána in the county.

- Mary Ruane gave an overview of the JPC annual workplan 2021 updates and the report was noted.
- Ian Smalley presented the main points from the 4 Local Policing Fora reports:
 - Central Dun Laoghaire
 - Ballybrack/Loughlinstown/Shankill
 - Sandyford/Stepaside
 - Dundrum/Stillorgan LPF (1st meeting of the LPF)

Following the presentation a discussion was held and it was agreed that a letter of thanks would be sent to Joe Everard for his great work and assistance to An Garda Síochána over the years. It was also agreed that a letter would be sent to the Luas operator (Transdev) to request that the lift at Dundrum Station be kept in working order.

- Cllr Hanafin gave an update on the study commissioned by DLRC into the Assessment of Need for Provision of Domestic Violence Refuge in the dlr area.
- The next JPC meeting is scheduled to take place on 15th February 2022, 5pm.