



COUNTY GALWAY

JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE

ANNUAL WORK PLAN

2023

County Galway Joint Policing Committee – Annual Work Plan 2023

The function of the County Galway Joint Policing Committee is to serve as a forum for consultation, discussion and recommendations on matters affecting the policing of the County of Galway.

County Galway Joint Policing Committee Membership

	Local Authority Elected Members	Oireachtas Elected Members	Local Authority Official	An Garda Síochána	Community
The County Galway Joint Policing Committee	15	3	2	9	7

The Joint Policing Committee recognises that it is imperative that local issues are addressed collectively and strategically with a strategy focused on achieving coordinated actions to support enhanced policing and crime prevention.

The work of the County Galway Joint Policing Committee is focused on areas where cooperative and collaborative actions can add most value to the existing work of relevant stakeholders.

The Annual Work Plan 2023 for the County Galway Joint Policing Committee focuses on enhancing overall efforts to address key issues affecting community life including:

- Crime Prevention and Rural Crime
- Anti-Social Behaviour and Street Crime
- Misuse of Drugs and related Crime
- Support for Crime Victims
- Illegal Dumping & Litter Awareness
- Cyber Fraud Crime
- Education & Awareness Programme for Schools

The Annual Work Plan also supports the Joint Policing Committee in being pro-active in making constructive inputs in relation to policing plans and relevant local authority plans and initiative and in supporting local Garda management and local authority management in relation to any relevant consultation which may arise with respect to Garda or local authority plans.

The Annual Work Plan for 2023 reflects the decisions made by the Joint Policing Committee, that the most beneficial and practical mechanism by which to progress the work of the JPC and deliver on strategic objectives, was the formation of our two sub-committees.

- **Education & Awareness – School Programme Sub-Committee**
- **Illegal Dumping & Litter Awareness Sub-Committee and Crime Prevention/Personal Safety Sub-Committee**

The following details a summary of the actions to be taken during 2023 to deliver on three of our strategic objectives:

Strategic Objectives	Origin	Summary of Actions	Lead	Timescale for Action
To Support and Promote awareness of litter management plans and initiatives, the negative impact of illegal dumping and littering and to promote and advise the public on the importance of reporting incidents of illegal dumping and littering.	Joint Policing Committee	<p>Progress issues in relation to Illegal Dumping and Litter Awareness in a specific, measurable, achievable and cost-effective manner.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress and promote the Litter Awareness Campaign. • Continue to identify areas to mount CCTV cameras on road networks (in litter blackspots). • Expand the initiative with Fast Food outlets to seek to eradicate littering. • Identify illegal dumping blackspots that An Garda Síochána will monitor. • Investigate if probation services can link individual convicted of similar crimes with clean ups. 	Illegal Dumping & Litter Awareness and Crime Prevention/ Personal Safety Sub-Committee	2023
To increase awareness of crime prevention for communities, business, house holders and individuals.	Joint Policing Committee	<p>Crime Prevention / Personal Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify future requirements for CCTV in relation to expanding the usage of existing schemes as well as developing new schemes, taking cognisance of new revised Data Protection Regulations. 	Illegal Dumping & Litter Awareness and Crime Prevention/ Personal Safety Sub-Committee	2023

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review the current funding arrangements for CCTV monitoring and identify possible alternative options for future CCTV provision. <p>Community Watch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To reinvigorate existing community alert and neighbourhood watch schemes that are dormant. • To develop new community alert and neighbourhood watch schemes in areas with little or no coverage. • To look at ways whereby existing schemes can be more effective in supporting and complimenting An Garda Síochána policy on policing especially in relation to Rural Crime. 		
To promote, Education and Awareness Programmes for schools on personal safety, road safety, bullying, illegal substance abuse, and underage drinking.	Joint Policing Committee/ Education & Awareness – School Programme Sub-Committee	<p>Develop and deliver a Programme of Work for each of the following topics within the school system.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyber Fraud Crime • Illegal Substance Abuse. • Road Safety. • Personal Safety. • Bullying. • Underage Drinking. 	Education & Awareness – School Programme Sub-Committee	2023

The Annual Work Plan 2023 sets out specific and measurable objectives, identifies lead individuals or agencies and sets defined timescales for actions.

The Annual Work Plan will be the subject of ongoing review by the Joint Policing Committee and will be subject to amendment as deemed appropriate, **and will be subject to the relevant resources being available.**

JOINT POLICING SUB-COMMITTEES

The following is the membership of the JPC Sub-Committees as agreed by the County Galway Joint Policing Committee initially on the 30th September 2019. The sub-committees will lead on the actions required to deliver on the appropriate strategic objectives.

Illegal Dumping & Litter Awareness AND Crime Prevention/Personal Safety	Education & Awareness – School Programme
Cllr. Michael Maher (Chair)	Cllr. Gerry King (Chair)
Cllr. Peter Roche	Cllr. Shelley Herterich-Quinn
Cllr. Mary Hoade	Cllr. Liam Carroll
An Comh. Padraig Mac An Iomaire	
Cllr. PJ Murphy	
An Comh. Daithí Ó Cualáin	
Oireachtas: Deputy Noel Grealish Deputy Catherine Connolly	-----
An Garda Síochána: Sgt. Michael Walsh	An Garda Síochána: Sgt. Darragh Browne
Community Representative: Mr. Martin Ward Tuam MD Mr. Aodán Mac Donncha <i>Comhlacht Forbartha an Spidéil</i> Mr. Gerard Costello <i>Monivea Community Alert</i>	Community Representative: Ms. Aileen Heverin <i>The Older Persons Council / Galway Age Friendly</i> Mr. Gerard Larkin <i>Abbey Muintir na Tíre</i> Mr. Tom Madden <i>Duggan Park Development Committee / Ballinasloe Training for Employment</i>
Council Officials: Ms. Ann Dolan, Mr. Glen Creaven & Mr. Brendan Goode	Council Official: Ms. Deirdre Caulfield

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNTY GALWAY JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE 2023

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Cllr. Jim Cuddy (Cathaoirleach of JPC)	Elected Representative
Cllr. Peter Roche	Elected Representative
Cllr. James Charity	Elected Representative
Cllr. Moggie Maher	Elected Representative
Cllr. Joe Byrne	Elected Representative
Cllr. Mary Hoade	Elected Representative
Cllr. Karey McHugh	Elected Representative
Cllr. Andrew Reddington	Elected Representative
An Comh. Pádraig Mac An Iomaire	Elected Representative
Cllr. PJ Murphy	Elected Representative
Cllr. Shelly Herterich-Quinn	Elected Representative
Cllr. Liam Carroll	Elected Representative
An Comh. Dáithí Ó Cualáin	Elected Representative
Cllr. Gerry King	Elected Representative
Cllr. Colm Keaveney	Elected Representative
Michael Owens	DOS, Corporate Services
Úna Ní Eidhin	SSO, Corporate Services
AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA	
Gerard Roche	Chief Superintendent
Paudie O'Shea	Superintendent
Aidan Foley	Superintendent
Damien Flanagan	Superintendent
Shane Cummins	D/Superintendent
Conor Madden	Inspector
Olivia Maher	Senior Analyst
Michael Walsh	Sergeant
Sinead Heaney	Sergeant
MEMBERS OF THE OIREACTHAS	
Deputy Anne Rabbitte	Member of the Oireachtas
Deputy Catherine Connolly	Member of the Oireachtas
Deputy Noel Grealish	Member of the Oireachtas
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES	
Tom Madden	Duggan Park Development Committee
Aodán MacDonncha	Comhlacht Forbartha an Spidéil
Pat Flanagan	Loughrea Active Retirement Group
Gerard Larkin	Abbey Muintir na Tíre
Gerard Costello	Monivea Community Alert
Martin Ward	Western Traveller & Intercultural Development
Aileen Heverin	Galway Age Friendly Older Persons Council
