

**MINUTES OF THE
FINGAL JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE MEETING
6th December 2019**

Elected Members	Cllr Kieran Roderic O’Gorman (Chair); Cllr Tania Doyle; Cllr. Adrian Henchy; Cllr Anthony Lavin; Cllr John Walsh; Cllr Grainne Maguire; Cllr Daniel Whooley; Cllr. Tony Murphy; Cllr Robert O’Donoghue; Cllr Ian Carey; Cllr Dean Mulligan; Cllr Duncan Smith; Cllr Ann Graves
FCC Officials	AnnMarie Farrelly (CEO); Liam Burke (SEO Housing)
Community Reps	Jossy Akwuobi; Myles Caulfield; Ray Smyth; Tom O’Brien
Oireachtas Reps	Alan Farrell TD; Brendan Ryan TD
An Garda Siochana	Ch. Supt F. Murphy (DMRW); Supt W. Carolan (DMRW); Supt. A Twomey (DMRN); Supt. Gerard Donnelly (DMRN); Supt. James O’Leary (DMRN)
Apologies	Cllr Freddie Cooper; Cllr Emer Currie; Sen. James Reilly; Pat Doyle (PPN)
In Attendance	Fingal County Council - David Storey (DoS Operations); Liz Hartigan (SSO Operations); Aoife Carragher (CO Operations) Other Philip Jennings (Safer Blanchardstown) Brid Walsh (NDRDATF)
Observers	

Apologies were noted by the Chair.

1. Election of Chairperson

Cllrs Roderic O’Gorman & Tania Doyle were nominated. Following the vote, Cllr O’Gorman was elected to the Chair.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th March 2019 were agreed

3. Matters Arising

No matters arose.

4. Training Day

David Storey spoke on the importance of a Training Day for the new Joint Policing Committee. With a number of new members on the Committee, it is important that everyone understands the role of the JPC and that a partnership approach is taken. DS will be in contact with Helen Hall, CEO of the Policing Authority, in relation to the training day which is proposed for the end of January 2020. An agenda for the day will be circulated in advance.

5. Guidelines for JPC

To date, no changes have been made to the Guidelines that were circulated in advance of the meeting. Committee members are advised to familiarize themselves with the contents of these Guidelines. No amendments are anticipated until 2020/2021

6. Draft Standing Orders

It was agreed that the adoption of the Standing Orders be postponed to the next Committee meeting in order to allow members an opportunity to review same. It was further agreed to include a discussion on the Standing Orders on the Training Day.

7. Annual Report 2018

As there were no questions in relation to the annual report for 2018, it was approved for submission to the Policing Authority.

8. Annual Plan 2020

David Storey spoke in relation to the Annual Plan for 2020. The recommendation is to align this plan with the Local Policing Plans of An Garda Síochána. Discussion around the Annual Plan will be part of the training day.

9. 6 Year Strategic Plan 2020 – 2026

As the new Fingal JPC Committee is now in place, it was agreed to make a fresh start on the 6-year Strategic Plan. The Plan will be an agenda item for the training day. There is a requirement to outline core objectives to be achieved and for the approach to the preparation of the plan to be inclusive.

10. Written Questions

The replies to the written questions had been circulated prior to the meeting and were taken as read. The senior Gardaí present followed up on queries raised by the members. Cllr, Doyle raised an issue regarding some of the replies received. This is to be included as part of the discussion on finalising the Standing Orders for the Committee.

11. Garda Reports 01 January 2019 to 31 October 2019

Copies of the Garda Reports had been circulated in advance to all members.

- o Balbriggan District (DMRN)
- o Blanchardstown District (DMRN)
- o Howth District (DMRN)
- o Swords Malahide (DMRN)

The senior Gardaí present responded to any questions by the members.

12. Draft Schedule of JPC Meetings for 2020

The dates for the Committee meetings and the Public Meetings for 2020 were agreed. The locations for the Public Meetings are to be confirmed.

13. Report from PPN

No report form PPN

14. Report from Safer Blanchardstown

Philip Jennings spoke about the report that had been circulated in advance of the meeting and replied to queries from the members.

15. Report for NDRDATF

Bríd Walsh from the NDRDATF spoke to the members on the work currently being done by the task force to include:-

- Drug intervention teams to be established in Balbriggan
- The availability of a dedicated support service for family members
- Planet Youth project given funding Icelandic model
- Investment to be made in prevention and early intervention

16. AOB/Next Meeting

It was agreed that the Garda Commissioner, Drew Harris, would be invited to attend a meeting of the Fingal JPC.

Chief Superintendent Finbarr Murphy extended an invitation to all members to engage strongly with AGS and reiterated the importance of the Training Day. He also spoke about several other matters as follows:-

- New programme for Domestic Abuse in 2020
- 5-year strategy in relation to assault
- New programme in relation to street dealing
- AGS members being trained in relation to scrambler bikes

Prior to closing the meeting, Fingal Chief Executive Anne Marie Farrelly, stressed the importance of the training day and of an integration strategy between AGS and FCC. She also congratulated Cllr. O'Gorman, the new Chair if the JPC.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday 6th March 2020 at the Civic Offices, Blanchardstown.

Minutes agreed:

Signed: _____

(Chairperson)

Date: _____

December 2019.