

DMR West - Fingal JPC Sub Committee - Garda Report



Garda Síochána Act 2005 – Joint Policing Guidelines 15.9

The following is compiled by way of general information, for the period under review, as per regulation 17.6, in accordance with the headings specified in that regulation, (1) Commission of Crime and (2) Crime Prevention matters.

Garda Station / (Sub)District	Blanchardstown	Period	1 st Jan 2022 to 31st Dec 2022
Chief / Superintendent	Finbarr Murphy	Date of JPC Meeting	Friday 3rd March 2023

	2021	2022	Percentage Change	Detection Rate 2021*	Detection Rate 2022*	Comments
Assault Causing Harm	136	141	4%	28%	23%	Slight Increase but this type of offending is still a concern
Assault Minor	257	311	21%	14%	12%	Increase in this type of offending
Aggravated Burglary	5	5	0%	0%	0%	No change
Burglary	220	220	0%	12%	6%	No change
Criminal Damage	503	586	17%	19%	13%	Increase in this type of offending
Discharge of Firearm	1	0	-10%	100%	NA	
Robbery from Person	48	30	-38%	13%	10%	Slightly down on previous year with a similar detection rate.
Robbery from Establishments	7	17	143%	43%	6%	Increase in this type of offending
Theft from the Person	32	37	16%	9%	16%	Increase in this type of offending
Theft from MPV	289	321	11%	4%	3%	Increase in this type of offending
Theft from Shop	479	586	22%	51%	32%	Increase in this type of offending
Theft (Other)	547	724	32%	12%	5%	Increase in this type of offending
UT of Vehicle	223	340	52%	9%	6%	Increase in this type of offending
Fraud / Deception	218	255	17%	4%	4%	Increase in this type of offending
Public Order Incidents	450	495	10%	65%	49%	Increase in this type of offending

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Garda Patrol Activity	2021	2022	Percentage Change	Detection Rate 2020*	Detection Rate 2021*	Comments
ASBO Issued	0	0	NA	NA	NA	
Possession of Firearm	2	6	200%	0%	50%	
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	84	56	-33%	77%	59%	Despite the lower number than 2020 the efforts of Gardaí in Blanchardstown continue to focus on the Sale and Supply with targeted approach.
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	168	127	-24%	88%	72%	
Possession of Offensive Weapon	57	27	-53%	72%	67%	Decrease but In many cases stop and searches has unearthed such weapons.
Searches under Drugs Act	393	227	-42%	NA	NA	Covid 19 - the safety of members and the general public has resulted in a change in approach when it comes to SnS / Property Search
Vehicle Seizures Sec 41	1058	911	-14%	NA	NA	

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Domestic Violence	2021	2022	Percentage Change	Detection Rate 2020*	Detection Rate 2021*	Comments
Domestic Violence Incidents – No Offence Disclosed	746	822	10%	NA	NA	Recognised as a positive sign whereby members of the public are more comfortable seeking help, than before.
Breach of Domestic Violence Orders~	198	169	-15%	100%	75%	Although an decrease in incidents, the stigma of reporting domestic abuse appears to diminishing. When reported to Gardaí every effort is made to bring the suspect before a district court judge

~ Domestic Violence Orders Include Barring Orders, Safety Orders and Protection Orders

- denotes previous period as zero: Percentage cannot be calculated.

**Crime Prevention
Matters and Other
Information**

Garda Crime Prevention Officer responds to matters of concern in cases of both Domestic and Business related crimes. The victims of Drug debt intimidation also are offered this service. An Insp is also appointed to monitor all cases of Drug Debt Intimidation.

Community Policing Blanchardstown continue to offer Crime prevention advice to Resident/Neighbourhood Watch groups on a targeted basis and where possible offer a property marking service

It should be noted that in any reference to statistics, those statistics are provisional, operational, liable to change and some possibly re-classified with the introduction of Central Statistics Office reports.