

## **Report to Joint Policing Committee June 2022**

# **Mountview & Blakestown Problem Solving Group:**

Safer Blanchardstown continues to work with the full range of partners within the Blakestown and Mountview area to address the drugs issue with a particular emphasis on how recreational drug use funds drug related crime, violence and anti-social behavior.

A further 2,000 household fliers have been procured for and have been distributed to community centers with other projects to receive some fliers asap.

We are continuing to work with Blakestown Community School and their student's council. We have now produced a series of 5 podcasts called One Step Ahead (Safer Blanchardstown) speaking with people affected by drugs and allowing them to tell their story in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. The podcasts are less than 30 mins long so please listen to, comment on and recommend the podcasts to others.

An application for funding to form a Mulhuddart Motocross Club-Hub (MMCHub) in Mountview/Blakestown is being developed by Blakestown & Mountview Youth Initiative to the department of justice. If successful it is hoped that this MMCHub will eventually provide a positive role model within the area in relation to responsible bike riding.

Mountview Boys and Girls FC now have their containers painted with the Think Before You Buy logo and all coaches and trainers have received the presentation. All commented positively on the presentation and video.

## **Safer Together Summer Festival 2022**

Safer Blanchardstown will be hosting our Safer Together Summer Festival 22 once again this year (see poster). This event was very successful in the years pre-covid and we hope to attract big numbers at this year's event.

#### **Suicide Awareness D15**

Safer Blanchardstown provides admin support to Suicide Awareness D15 which is a voluntary information and support group for those bereaved by suicide and those thinking of self-harm. Please see attached Annual Report for 2021 which details the work of the group.

## **D15 Domestic Violence Working Group**

The D15 Domestic Violence Working Group has reconvened and is seeking to broaden its membership. Councilors and other interested members of the JPC can contact the group through Safer Blanchardstown.





