



Fingal
Public
Participation
Network

PPN JPC Representative Report Community Safety, Crime and Policing Linkage Group

Property Marking Machine – Update

The Fingal Public Participation Network (FPPN) have made a request for the JPC to explore the proposal to purchase a property marking machine. This has proved a very successful tool in many counties and has assisted greatly in the return of stolen goods to the owners and in crime prevention. The machine marks any surface, bar glass, and is used to imprint your postcode on a large range of items e.g laptops, workmen's tools, bikes etc.

The minutes of the JPC meeting of the 3rd September 2021 (Action 6) states *"A proposal re the purchase of a Property Marking be brought to the next meeting"* This has yet to be actioned and the FPPN members are requesting an update on this proposal.

Anti-Social Behaviour

We wish to highlight the prevalence of antisocial behaviour which has been discussed on numerous occasions at linkage group meetings and previous JPC meetings. While particular concerns were expressed at the recent Linkage Group meeting in respect of the Ongar area, and in view of its prevalence across Fingal, we suggest that we should dedicate a themed JPC meeting (as suggested at the training) to look at current practice, discuss and make recommendations and put actions in place to resolve the situation.

Questions

The following questions have been submitted by the Fingal Public Participation Network representatives:

Community Gardai

The FPPN representatives request a list of Community Garda, the operational area of which each of the Community Garda operates and how best to grow engagement with community groups.

CCTV



The FPPN representatives request Fingal County Council to provide details of the number & location of CCTV cameras installed by them in the Fingal area. The cost of the provision and installation of these cameras and the number which are operational.

This question stemmed from a report by a PPN Representative on location of CCTV with signage on the Old Hansfield Road in Ongar. There is no indication as to the identity of the operator nor its purpose.

We recall that in the previous JPC, Fingal County Council had planned to make a presentation on CCTV in operation in Fingal. We might suggest that we dedicate a themed JPC Meeting to all matters relating to CCTV and its implementation in Fingal, and how the JPC can contribute to its implementation and effectiveness to facilitate Community Safety.