

DMR North Division

Fingal JPC Update December 2021



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Divisional Updates/Information

Operation Irene:

- This operation is continuing throughout the division, liaising with the stakeholders in this case (Irish Rail).

Operation Tara:

- This operation has had success in recent weeks with monumental drug seizures and arrests throughout the division.

Operation Caomhnaigh and Faoiseamh:

- Both operations are currently in place throughout the division supporting victims of domestic abuse.

Operation Soteria:

- This operation is continuing to run throughout the DMR North to ensure assaults and other crimes which occur in a public place are dealt with in a proactive manner.

Operation Fogra:

- This operation focuses on tackling drug intimidation throughout the DMR North.



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Crime Type	2020 (Swords)	2020 (Malahide)	2021 (Swords)	2021 (Malahide)	Percent Change (Swords)	Percent Change (Malahide)
Homicide	1	0	0	0	-100%	-
Assault Causing Harm	75	17	72	27	-4%	+59%
Assault Minor	122	37	134	51	+10%	+38%
Aggravated Burglary	4	3	2	0	-50%	-100%
Burglary	114	105	55	70	-52%	-33%
Criminal Damage	244	117	233	106	-4%	-9%
Discharge of Firearm	0	0	0	0	-	-
Possession of Firearm	3	0	3	1	-	+%
Robbery From Person	17	15	4	5	-76%	-66%
Robbery From Establishment	18	5	7	3	-61%	-40%



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Possession of Offensive Weapon	20	5	16	5	-20%	-
Fraud	140	66	246	126	+76%	+120%
Theft From Shop	341	75	331	54	-3%	-28%
Theft From Person	11	9	11	5	-	-44%
Theft From MPV	171	149	101	78	-41%	-48%
Theft Other	145	36	117	36	-19%	-
Possession of Drugs Sale and Supply	37	13	29	3	-22%	-77%
Possession of Drugs Personal Use	122	45	96	27	-21%	-40%
UT of Vehicle	113	26	71	23	-37%	-11%
Domestic Violence Incidents (including Breaches)	393	99	353	144	-10%	+45%



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Crime Type	2020 (Swords)	2020 (Malahide)	2021 (Swords)	2021 (Malahide)	Percent Change (Swords)	Percent Change (Malahide)
Animal Welfare Offences	8	3	5	4	-37%	+33%
Public Order Incidents	183	47	201	73	+10%	+55%
Searches Under the Drugs Act	710	194	424	311	-40%	+60%
Vehicle Seizures (Sec 41)	339	42	313	53	-8%	+26%



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Successful Operations:

- 315 vehicles seized during this time period;
- 734 prisoners processed in Swords Station alone;
- Drug Related Intimidation Program;
- Late Night Soccer Leagues (14 Gardaí in Swords involved);
- Schools Program ongoing;



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Notable Drugs Captures:

27th Sept 2021 – Balheary - €1,150 cannabis seized;

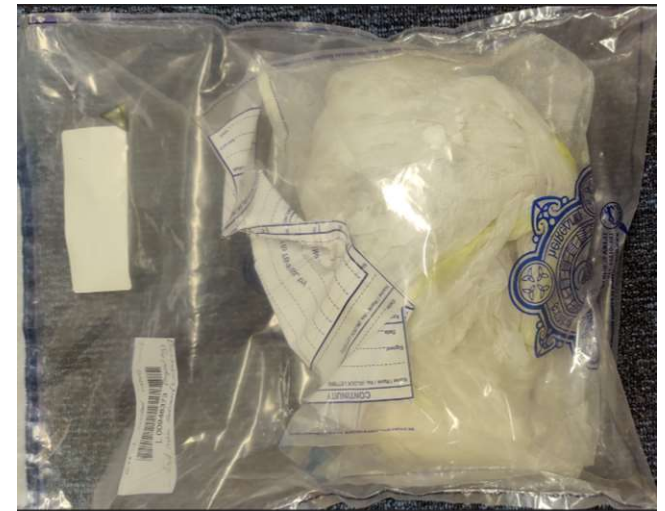
1st Oct 2021 PID 20056399 – Airside retail park, €220 cannabis seized;

13th Oct 2021 – Jugback Green - €40,320 cocaine seized;

17th Oct 2021 – Watery Lane, €1,500 cannabis and €300 cocaine seized;

30th Oct 2021 – 5 Hazel Grove, €300 cannabis seized;

23rd Nov 2021 – Melesian Avenue, €900 Ketamine and €700 cannabis seized.



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Currently considering:

- Satellite Station in Donabate (TBC);
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- Recommending opening a Youth Club in Donabate (Youth Justice)



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Property Crime	632	587	-7%
Burglary	94	59	-37%
Theft/UT of Vehicle	38	36	-5%
Theft from Shop	132	147	+11%
Theft from Person	6	2	-67%
Theft from Vehicle	88	89	+1%
Arson	25	15	-40%
Crime Against the Person	264	262	-1%
Assault Causing Harm	103	99	-4%



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Minor Assault	118	104	-12%
Sexual Offences	19	37	+95%
Theft/UT of Pedal Cycle	32	22	-31%
Theft of Other Property	207	206	-
Robbery of Establishment/Institution	2	1	-50%
Robbery from the Person	9	6	-33%
Criminal Damage (not Arson)	206	230	+12%
Public Order Offences	121	123	+2%
Drunkenness Offences	38	32	-16%



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Trespass on Lands/Enclosed Areas	23	34	+48%
Possession of Drugs – Sale or Supply	51	68	+33%
Possession of Drugs – Personal Use	149	202	+36%
Searches under the Drugs Acts 77/84	657	783	+19%
Possession of Offensive Weapons	36	31	-14%
Possession of Firearms	10	3	-70%
Discharging a Firearm	0	0	-
Driving while Intoxicated	65	42	-35%
Traffic Collision - Fatal	2	3	+50%



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Traffic Collision – Serious injury	8	9	+13%

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District Update – Some key events during the period.

Community Policing Events

- 26th September: Meeting with Pastors and Youth at Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries
- 12th October: Friendly football match with Prosper Fingal as part of Mental Health Week
- 12th October: Road Safety talk at Little Gumboots Preschool
- 16th October: Launch of Castleland Park, Balbriggan Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Notable Policing Developments

- 31st October: Economic Crime Triage Unit set up to ensure a consistent approach to online fraud and related offences
- 1st November: Mobility devices issued to all Gardaí in Balbriggan District in support of the Safe Balbriggan scheme under the Our Balbriggan regeneration project
- 4th November: District Court Order Enforcement Unit established to manage the service of summons, execute warrants and conduct bail checks



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Assault Causing Harm	15	21	+26.67%
Aggravated Burglary	0	1	+100%
Burglary	77	55	-28.5%
Criminal Damage	125	109	-12.8%
Robbery from Person	6	2	-66.66%
Robbery from Establishments	15	2	-86.67%
Theft from the Person	6	1	-83.34%
Theft from MPV	109	78	-28.44%
Theft from Shop	41	42	+2.44%



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UT of Vehicle	33	10	-69.7%
Public Order Incidents	83	88	+6%
Domestic Abuse - Incidents	93	87	-6.4%
Domestic Abuse - Breach of Orders	22	9	-59.09%
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	14	13	-7.1%
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	77	54	-29.8%
Possession of Offensive Weapon	5	7	+40%
Searches under Drugs Act	450	281	-37.7%



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District Update – Additional information

Operation Irene which commenced on the weekend of 14th of May. This is a targeted Operation to mitigate against anti-social behaviour in open areas, attractions and on all beaches that attract large crowds across the DMR North Division during the Summer and Autumn months.

The key objectives of Operation Irene are:

- Ensure all Covid-19 legislation is complied with;
- Mitigate against anti-social behaviour;
- Combat alcohol consumption in public spaces;
- Combat underage alcohol consumption;
- Reduce public disorder / anti-social behaviour associated with underage alcohol consumption and alcohol consumption in public spaces;
- Reduce alcohol related harm;
- Enhance community safety and confidence;
- Reduce demand for Garda services.
- To establish high visibility in crime hot spots and amenity areas thereby reassuring communities.
- To enhance community safety and confidence.

As previously disclosed there is a new Community Policing Program in the 'J District' and it has led to the allocation of 1 Sergeant and 2 Gardaí to Community Policing in Howth and they have Neighbourhood watch schemes in operation in their designated areas, they are all ELO trained and Mountain Bike Operatives. Each member is involved in Community Engagement initiatives throughout the District and there is currently a Schools Talks Program ongoing.

