



## **Fingal Public Participation Network (PPN) – Community Safety Linkage Group (Linkage Group)**

### **Report of the Fingal PPN to the JPC on 2 September 2022**

#### **Introduction**

A meeting of the Community Safety Linkage Group in the PPN took place on the 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

The following Action Items were agreed to be brought forward to the JPC on 3 September 2022.

#### **Strategic Plan**

We were awaiting the draft JPC Strategic Plan. We have since received the first draft of this from Mary T Daly and we have replied with our comments for consideration at the next stage of the drafting proceedings.

- **Action:** The Community Safety Linkage Group resolved that the PPN Representatives on the Joint Policing Committee should recommend that a subcommittee is formed at next JPC Meeting to assist with the formulation of the JPC Strategic Plan.

#### **Training**

In our last report to the JPC meeting on 3 June, the PPN representatives suggested that the JPC training be run again for new PPN community members and JPC committee members who could not attend the last session as the training was found invaluable by all members who attended.

- **Action:** The CSLG meeting agreed to recommend to the JPC that training is retained as an agenda item for all new Representatives on the Committee. This is to ensure that new PPN Representatives receive this common training when stepping onto the Committee to replace the representatives who are obliged to step down from the JPC following their permitted term of representation.

Training is also necessary for any other JPC Member who joins the JPC in the future and for those JPC members who did not avail of the training in January this year. It is noted that this training should continue to be extended to all JPC Members, to all Council staff, and to Garda staff and members who have a role to play in the work of the JPC.

#### **Future PPN Representation Changes on the JPC**

We have already alerted the JPC that, following the September 2022 meeting of the JPC, the PPN is expecting to see 6 of its 7 members replaced with new members for a period of 3 years. We appreciate this will be challenging for continuity, but the PPN Community & Safety Linkage Group is putting a “buddying” system in place to ensure that new representatives will be mentored by experienced former members. The outgoing PPN Reps regret that they will not be able to play a direct active role in the development of the JPC Strategic Plan and its implementation, but they look forward to monitoring and contributing to its progress as its reported by the PPN reps to the Linkage group meetings in the future. We wish the JPC every success in its endeavours.