

Department of Justice
Local Community Safety Partnerships
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# Community Safety and Local Community Safety Partnerships

# Community Safety: New Approach



#### Background:

- ➤ Report by Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland finds policing not responsibility of the police alone (2018)
- Consultations with Working Group to develop a new Community Safety policy (2019)
- ➤ The Department develops a new Community Safety policy (2020)
- ➤ The new approach will feed into development of the new Policing, Security and Community Safety Bill

## What is Community Safety?

People being safe and feeling safe in their community.

A multi-sectoral approach, strong inter-agency collaboration and proactive dialogue with the community

Working together to foster local communities that are safer for families, residents and businesses and that feel more secure











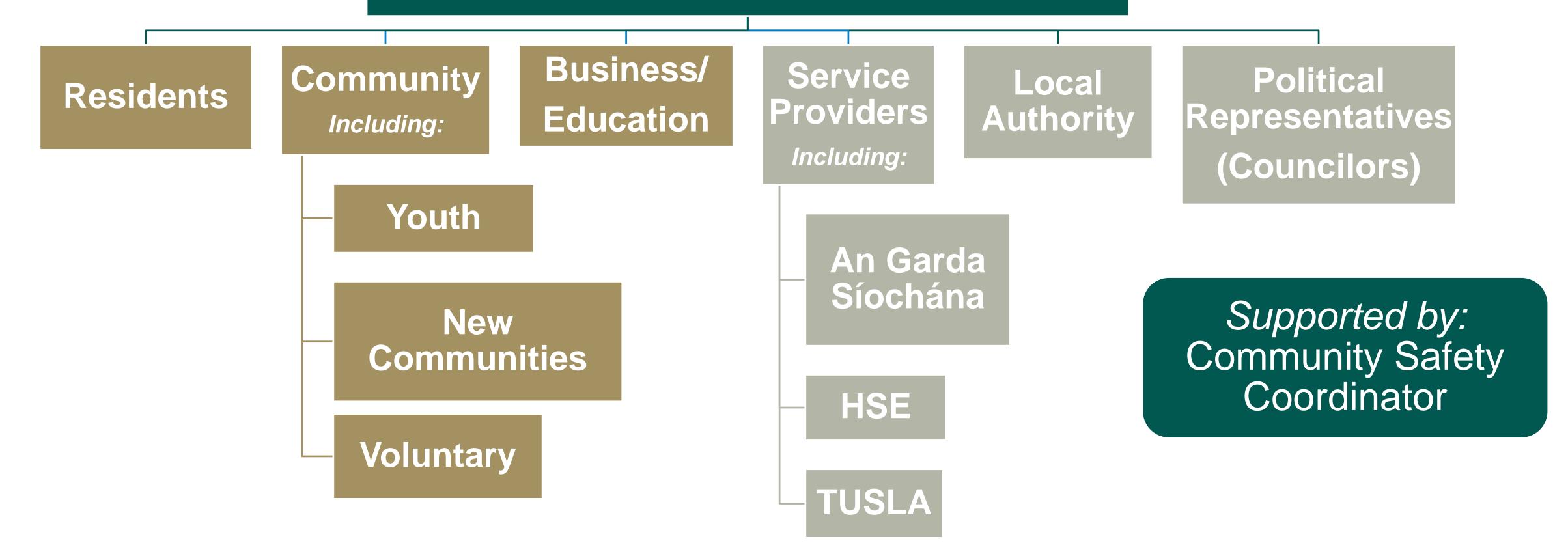




# Local Community Safety Partnership – Composition



**Local Community Safety Partnership** 



## National Level: Community Safety policy





# How will the Partnerships operate?



Supported and resourced: Chairperson, Community Safety

Coordinator, community activities

• Strategic: Local Community Safety Plan

• Efficient: working closely with other bodies and committees to avoid duplication

# Pilot Local Community Safety Partnerships



 3 pilots: Dublin's North Inner City, Longford and Waterford

24 Month Lifespan







- Independent Evaluation
- National Rollout planned for after the Evaluation's Final Report



#### **Dublin North Inner City Partnership**



Dublin held their first full partnership meeting in July 2021.

#### Working Groups:

- 1. On Street Drug Dealing
- 2. Youth and Anti-Social Behaviour
- 3. Elderly Safety and Reassurance
- 4. Female and Vulnerable Communities Safety

#### Local Projects





# Longford Longford Partnership



- Longford held their first full partnership meeting in September 2021.
- Working Groups:
  - Policing & Emergency Services; Community Services & Family Supports; Public Spaces & Infrastructure
  - Community Engagement & Development; Youth & Education and Awareness Initiatives; Public Spaces & Infrastructure
- Local Projects.





#### Waterford Partnership



- Waterford held their first full partnership meeting in September 2021.
- Working Groups:
  - Education, Training and Awareness & Building Community Capacity
  - 2. Crime and Reducing Criminality & Safe Environment & Infrastructure
- Local Projects



#### What does success look like?



#### **Local Community Safety Partnership**

Prioritise issues identified by the community as safety concerns

Improve multi-agency collaboration in the area

Increase community confidence in service providers

# Next steps



- Publication of the Policing, Security and Community Safety Bill approved on 22 November
- Final evaluation of pilots in 2023
- Commencement planned for 2024

Questions?