



Fingal  
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Committee

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# FINGAL JOINT POLICING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2017

## Introduction

Fingal Joint Policing Committee was established in 2008 and is a partnership between Fingal County Council, An Garda Síochána and the Community. The membership consists of Senior Garda officers, elected Councillors and Oireachtas members, and representatives of community & voluntary groups drawn from the Public Participation Network (PPN)

The Fingal JPC is intended to be a forum for discussion and a means of building confidence, trust and safety in the county. In doing this, the Fingal JPC seeks to prioritise key community policing policy issues and identify initiatives which will contribute to improved community policing and prevention or reduction of future crime in Fingal County.

## Role of the JPC

The legislative framework for the establishments of Joint Policing Committees is set out in Section 36 of An Garda Síochána Act 2005 and the amendments to this act in 2014. Section 36 (2) of the Act provides that a JPC's function is to serve as a forum for consultations, discussions and recommendations on matters affecting the policing of the local authority's administrative area, and in particular to:-

- Keep under review, a) the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour (including the patterns and levels of misuse of alcohol and drugs) and b) the underlying factors that contribute to these issues.
- Advise the local authority and the Garda Síochána on how they might best perform their functions and do everything feasibly possible to improve the safety and quality of life, to prevent crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour
- Arrange and host public meetings concerning matters affecting the policing of the local authorities administrative area
- Establish in consultation with the local Garda Superintendent and specific neighbourhoods, local policing fora to discuss and make recommendations to the JPC.
- Co-ordinate the activities of the local policing fora.



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## Garda Divisions Covered By Fingal Joint Policing Committee

The Fingal Administrative area falls under two Garda Divisions – Dublin Metropolitan Regions West and North as follows:

- **DMR West** - Covering the general Dublin 15 area and parts of rural and urban Finglas
- **DMR North** – Consisting of a number of Districts and Sub-Districts covering the remainder of the county.
  - Swords/Malahide Sub-District (part of Coolock District)  
Santry, Ballymun, Swords, Donabate, Portrane, Malahide, Portmarnock
  - Howth Sub-District (part of Raheny District)  
Howth, Sutton, Baldoyle
  - Balbriggan District  
Balbriggan, Skerries, Rush, Lusk, Naul, Garristown and rural North County Dublin





## Fingal Joint Policing Committee Meetings in 2017

In 2017, the Fingal Joint Policing Committee was chaired by Councillor Kieran Dennison, and Vice-Chair was Councillor Grainne Maguire.

The JPC met four times in 2017:

- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017
- Friday 01<sup>st</sup> December 2017

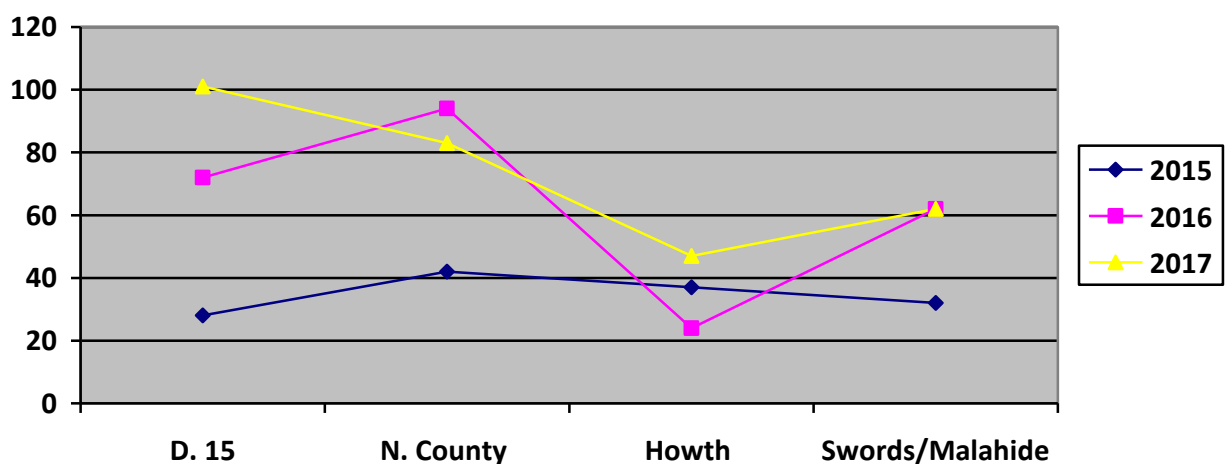
## Fingal Joint Policing Committee Public Meetings in 2017

The Fingal JPC hosted four public meetings throughout the month of April 2017 across the county, one for each District/Sub-District.

These meetings were at

- Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown on Wednesday 05<sup>th</sup> April 2017
- Marine Hotel, Sutton on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017
- Grand Hotel, Malahide on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017
- Bracken Court Hotel, Balbriggan on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## Attendances at meetings in 2015, 2016 and 2017





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## Fingal Joint Policing Committee Membership in 2017

<b>Elected Representatives</b>	
<b>Cllr Kieran Dennison</b>	<b>Chair</b>
Cllr Tania Doyle	
Cllr Jimmy Guerin	
Cllr Adrian Henchy	
Cllr Anthony Lavin	
Cllr Eithne Loftus	
Cllr Mary McCamley	Resigned from Committee
<b>Cllr Grainne Maguire</b>	<b>Vice-Chair</b>
Cllr Howard Mahony	
Cllr Paul Mulville	
Cllr Mags Murray	
Cllr Roderic O’Gorman	
Cllr Tom O’Leary	
Cllr Malachy Quinn	
Cllr Duncan Smith	Replaced Cllr Mary McCamley following her resignation
Cllr Natalie Treacy	
<b>Fingal County Council</b>	
Mr. Paul Reid	Chief Executive
Mr. Liam Burke	S.E.O. Housing & Community Dept.
<b>An Garda Síochána</b>	
Ch. Supt Wheatley	DMR-W
Ch. Supt O’Brien	DMR-N (to September 2017)
Ch. Supt Curran	DMR-N (from September 2017)
<b>Oireachtas Members</b>	
Brendan Ryan T.D.	
Alan Farrell T.D.	
Louise O’Reilly T.D.	
Senator Lorraine Clifford Lee	
Senator James Reilly	
<b>Community Representatives</b>	
Josy Awkuobi	Fingal Public Participation Network
Myles Caulfield	Fingal Public Participation Network
Rev. Kenneth Lindsay	Fingal Public Participation Network
Peadar O’Kelly	Fingal Public Participation Network (from May 2017)
Eamonn Price	Fingal Public Participation Network
Ray Smyth	Fingal Public Participation Network
Maria Tormey	Fingal Public Participation Network



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### Changes in Membership in 2017

There were a number of changes of Membership to the Fingal JPC in 2017.

- A vacancy for a representative from the Fingal Public Participation Network existed through 2016, and in early 2017, this vacancy was filled by Mr Peadar O'Kelly.
- In early-2017, Cllr Mary McCamley resigned from the Joint Policing Committee, and Cllr Duncan Smith was nominated to fill that vacancy.
- In mid-2017, Chief Superintendent O'Brien moved from DMR-North and was replaced by Chief Superintendent Curran.

### Fingal Joint Policing Committee Work Programme for 2017

The rolling Annual Work Programme for the Fingal JPC covers four sections, each with a number of strategic objectives.

#### 1. Community Engagement and Awareness

- a. Engagement between stakeholders on matters concerning Community safety
- b. Public Meetings: Forum for discussion, consultation and recommendations
- c. Public awareness of Joint Policing Committee

#### 2. Traffic and Road Safety

- a. Co-ordinated approach to traffic management for large events
- b. Road Safety measures: Education and awareness programmes in primary and post-primary schools
- c. Road Safety measures: Ongoing liaison in relation to high-frequency accident locations
- d. Compliance in Residential Estates

#### 3. Crime Reduction, Prevention and Analysis

- a. To reduce the levels of anti-social behaviour
- b. Analysis and review of levels and patterns of crime and disorder and the factors underlying
- c. Crime prevention through environmental design



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### 4. People and Demographics

- a. Opportunities for young people to have positive engagement with policing of their local communities
- b. Ensure older persons feel safe and participate fully in their community as a result of feelings of safety
- c. Integration of Ethnic Minority Groups through partnership initiatives

### Presentations at JPC Meetings in 2017

JPC Meeting 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	1. Presentation by Mr. Peter Dornan on Community Impact Statements, brought to the Committee by Safer Blanchardstown
JPC Meeting 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	1. Presentation and update from North Dublin Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force  2. Fingal County Council Housing and Community Department Annual Anti-Social Behaviour Report
JPC Meeting 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2017	1. Presentation from Criminal Assets Bureau



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Attendances at Fingal Joint Policing Committee Meetings 2017

Name	17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	26 <sup>th</sup> May	15 <sup>th</sup> Sep	01 <sup>st</sup> Dec
Cllr Kieran Dennison	P	P	P	P
Cllr Tania Doyle	P	P	P	P
Cllr Jimmy Guerin	P	P	A	P
Cllr Adrian Henchy	P	P	P	A
Cllr Anthony Lavin	P	A	P	P
Cllr Eithne Loftus	A	P	P	P
Cllr Grainne Maguire	A	P	P	A
Cllr Howard Mahony	P	P	P	P
Cllr Paul Mulville	A	P	A	P
Cllr Mags Murray	A	A	A	A
Cllr Roderic O’Gorman	P	P	P	P
Cllr Tom O’Leary	P	A	A	P
Cllr Malachy Quinn	A	P	A	P
Cllr Duncan Smith	A	A	A	P
Cllr Natalie Treacy	P	P	P	P
Sen. Lorraine Clifford-Lee	A	A	A	A
Sen. James Reilly	A	A	A	A
Alan Farrell TD	A	A	A	A
Louise O’Reilly TD	A	A	P	A
Brendan Ryan TD	P	P	A	A
Josy Awkuobi	A	A	A	P
Myles Caulfield	P	A	P	P
Rev. Kenneth Lindsay	P	P	P	P
Peadar O’Kelly	N/A	P	P	P
Eamonn Price	P	P	A	P
Ray Smyth	P	P	P	P
Maria Tormey	P	P	A	P
Paul Reid (FCC Chief Executive)	P	A	P	P
Liam Burke (FCC SEO Housing)	P	P	P	P
Ethna Felten (DoS Operations)	P	P	N/A	N/A
David Storey (DoS Operations)	N/A	N/A	P	P
Ch. Supt Barry O’Brien	P	P	N/A	N/A
Ch. Supt Mark Curran	N/A	N/A	D	P
Ch. Supt Lorraine Wheatley	D	P	D	P

P = Present / A = Apologies / D = Deputy attended / N/A = Not Committee Member