

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee

Meeting Report Thursday, 27th February 2020

Council Chamber, County Hall, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire

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The Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Joint Policing Committee meeting took place in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Dun Laoghaire at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday 27th February 2020.

Below is a synopsis of the meeting:

- Commissioner Drew Harris attended the Joint Policing Committee at the invitation of the Committee and was introduced to the JPC Members by the Chair.
- The Chair welcomed the JPC members, Commissioner Drew Harris, Chief Superintendent Cagney and Garda Personnel of the DMR East Division to the DLR JPC meeting.
- The Chair acknowledged the continued hard work and commitment of Chief Superintendent Cagney and the Gardai of the DMR East Division, highlighting the important work delivered by all including the Community Gardai and the welcome introduction of the Domestic Abuse Coordination Team in DMR East.
- Commissioner Harris thanked the Committee for the invitation to attend the JPC meeting and informed the Committee that he is attempting to attend all JPCs as it is a very valuable exercise to get local feedback and information to help the Gardai in setting targets and priorities.
- Commissioner Harris gave a presentation on “An Garda Síochána: A Policing Service for the Future” in which he outlined the new operating model and how it will impact on policing policy generally, front-line community policing, and in relation to the DMR East Division. This was followed by a questions and answers session.
- Commissioner Harris confirmed the Garda Band would not be disbanded and was pleased to hear the positive impact the Band have in the DLR area.
- Commissioner Harris informed the JPC that Stepside Garda Station will be reopening in March, 2020.
- The Chair and Members thanked the Commissioner for attending the meeting and for his presentation and taking part in the questions and answers session that followed. The Commissioner thanked the Committee and left the meeting at this stage.
- The Chair resumed the meeting at 4.30pm. The JPC 2020 Workplan was discussed and the Chair highlighted Action 2.3 in relation to Domestic Violence incidents and Chief Superintendent Cagney updated members on the two new projects: Risk Assessment tool for domestic abuse cases and the Domestic Abuse Coordination

Team (DACT). Action 2.3 will be considered at the next JPC meeting. The Workplan was approved by the Committee.

- The 2019 JPC Annual Report was presented to the JPC. The report was approved by the Committee.
- The JPC Minutes and notes from the JPC Public Meeting were approved.
- The Dún Laoghaire, Sandyford/Stepaside, Ballybrack/Loughlinstown/Shankill Local Policing Fora reports were discussed and issues raised were noted and addressed by An Garda Síochána.
- The next JPC meeting is due to take place on the 21st May 2020 at 6.00 p.m.