

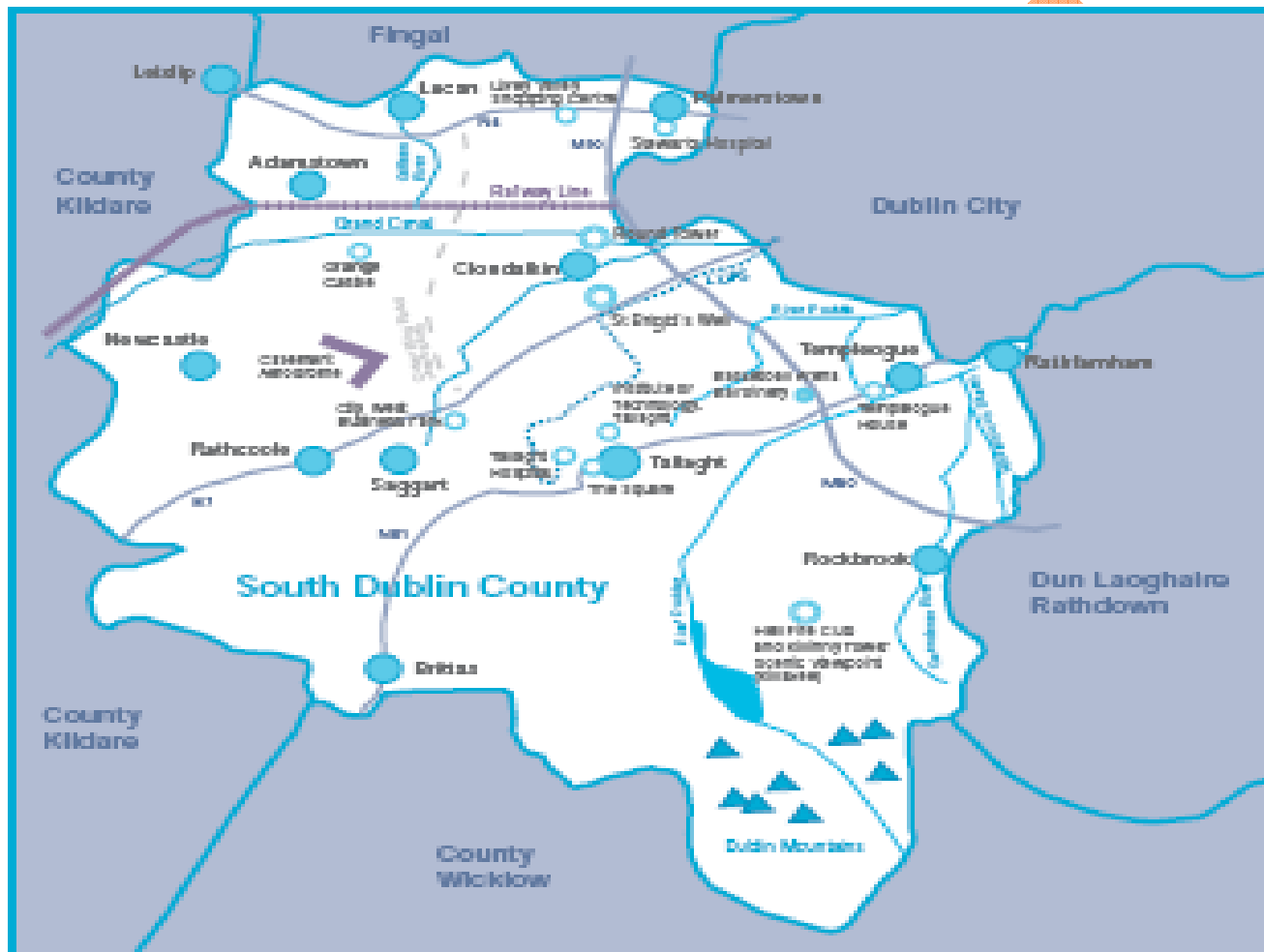


A Safe Place

**South Dublin County Joint
Policing Committee**

Annual Work Programme 2009

Map of South Dublin County



Foreword by the Chairperson:



Community Safety is one of the most important issues facing society today. In South Dublin County we wish to actively promote, enhance and maintain the safety and security of all those who live, work and visit the County, through the provision of a range of quality services and initiatives delivered on an integrated and partnership basis. The Joint Policing Committee seeks to combine the expertise of the Local Authority, the Gardai and the Community/Voluntary sector with the knowledge and expertise of those who are elected to represent South Dublin County.

This Annual Work Programme represents ongoing commitment to crime prevention and community safety. It is through this plan, that South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee can strengthen the partnerships between the Local Authority, Local Gardai and the Community Stakeholders.

I am very pleased to present South Dublin County's Joint Policing Committee's Annual Work Programme for 2009 and thank all those who have contributed.

Councillor Robert Dowds
Chairperson, South Dublin Joint Policing Committee

South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee Members (April 2009)

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Introduction:

South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee was established on the 26th October 2007. This Committee provides a forum for representatives from An Garda Síochána, South Dublin County Council, Oireachtas members and Community representatives, to make an important contribution to addressing issues relating to crime locally, to get together in a regular and structured way to consult with each other, discuss and make recommendations on matters affecting the policing of South Dublin County. The Joint Policing Committee's function is to serve as a forum for consultations, discussions and recommendations on matters affecting the policing of South Dublin County and in particular to the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour. The matters to be considered by the Committee and subcommittees might include traffic, vandalism, anti-social behaviour, underage drinking, casual trading, litter, planning for events attracting large crowds, community-based crime prevention initiatives, Garda Divisional and District annual policing plans and local authority initiatives.

In accordance with the Joint Policing Committee Guidelines issued jointly by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and the Department of Justice Equality and Law Reform, each JPC has been requested to draw up an annual work programme

South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee Annual Work Programme 2009

Priority Area 1 – To carry out an audit of existing Community Safety Projects/ Initiatives in South Dublin County

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
<p>Establish a small working group to map all Community safety projects /initiatives operating in the County including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Forums • Transport Safety Forums • Garda Diversions Projects • Drugs Task Forces • Safety Initiatives • Neighbourhood Watch Schemes etc... 	<p>To produce a report and detailed map of the county indicating the location of projects and providing contact details</p>	<p>To produce a report and geographical mapping of projects/initiatives in the County by end of 2009</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Forum • Community Platform • Community Representatives • Gardai • South Dublin County Council • Elected Representatives

Priority Area 2- To promote positive crime prevention and community safety initiatives through the media and the web page of South Dublin County JPC

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
<p>To increase the activity on the existing webpage allowing members and organisations to include information on community safety initiatives/projects</p> <p>JPC Executive to contact organisations who may wish to forward items for inclusion on the site</p>	<p>Redesign the existing JPC webpage on CDB website</p> <p>To increase usage on the site by Gardai, Council and Community Projects and members of the public</p> <p>To advertise national/local crime prevention initiatives</p>	<p>Redesign of web page by the end of 2009</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardai • SDCC • Elected Representatives • Residents of South Dublin County • Local Community Safety Projects/Initiatives

Priority Area 3- To deter crime and anti- social behaviour in public parks

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
<p>To establish small working group comprising of Community Gardaí, SDCC Parks Department and local community representatives</p> <p>To identify the levels of anti-social behaviour in two public parks and open spaces and to pilot a initiative to improve co-ordination between Gardai ,SDCC and community representatives</p>	<p>To identify causes/ problems associated with anti-social 'hot spots' in public parks and open spaces and to identify solutions to reduce these incidents</p>	<p>To report back to JPC with its findings and recommendations by the end of 2009</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Gardaí • SDCC Parks Department • Local community representatives

Priority Area 4- To support Community CCTV Programs in South Dublin County

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
<p>To provide ongoing support for the following Community CCTV schemes in South Dublin County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Clondalkin • Jobstown • Fettercairn and Brookfield • Killinarden 	<p>A reduction in the incidents of crime and vandalism in areas where CCTV schemes are in operation</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SDCC ▪ Gardai ▪ CPLN Partnership ▪ Partas ▪ Jobstown CDP

Priority Area 5- To provide continued support for Children and Young People's Pro-social initiatives in the County

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
To support inter agency projects such as the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children Services Committee • Tallaght West Childhood Development Initiative • Family Functional Therapy (CPLN Partnership) • Drugs Task Forces 	To develop a close liaison between the JPC and inter agency projects in the County	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JPC members • CSC Committee • CDI • Local Partnerships • Community/Voluntary Sector • Local Drugs Task Forces

Priority Area 6- To identify unsecured construction sites in the County which are currently a source of anti- social behaviour

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
To reduce the incidents of anti-social behaviour that are occurring around near or unfinished construction sites where unsecured building materials are being used for anti- social activities	To establish a protocol between the Community Gardai and Council Officials regarding unsecured construction sites Identify two sites in the County where there have been incidents of anti-social behaviour and work with the owners and or developers regarding these issues	By the end of 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gardai • SDCC • Dublin Bus Forums • Luas • Local Communities • Landowners/Developers

Priority Area 7- To plan for events attracting large crowds

Action	Target	Time-scale	Stakeholders
To build on the good working relationship between the Gardai, South Dublin County Council, the Community and other stakeholders in co-ordinating a variety of events	To ensure that events attracting large crowds are a safe and enjoyable experience for all those who live, work and visit South Dublin County	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gardai• SDCC• Public Transport providers• Local Communities• Local Businesses

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