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| logo | **South Dublin County**  **Joint Policing Committee** | |  |
| **Date:**  **26th April 2019** | | **Report:**  **Drug Subcommittee Report Back** | |

1. **Introduction**

* 1. The JPC Drug Subcommittee was formed following the JPC meeting held on the 25th November 2016. Its first meeting was held on the 20th January 2017.

**2 Recommendations**

2.1 That the JPC note the issue raised in paragraph 4.2.3 relating to the reporting on drugs at the JPC.

**3 Membership:**

3.1 The following are the members of the subcommittee:

* Elected representatives
  + Cllr Paul Gogarty
  + Cllr Mark Ward
  + Cllr Liona O’Toole
* Community Sector
  + Gemma Carton (Garda Diversion)
  + Ann Corrigan (PPN)
  + Tara Deacy (PPN)
  + Noreen Byrne (North Clondalkin LPF Coordinator)
* Drug & Alcohol Task Force
  + Grace Hill (Tallaght D&ATF)
  + Vacant (Clondalkin D&ATF)
* Garda Síochána
  + Vacant (Dublin DMR West Garda)
  + Inspector Ray Blake (Tallaght Garda)

**4 Current Work**

4.1 The subcommittee has met as follows:

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| Cllr Paul Gogarty | Councillor | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | A | P | A | P | P |
| Cllr Cathal King | Councillor |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - | - |
| Cllr Liona O’Toole | Councillor | P | A | P | A | A | A | A | A | P | A | P | A |  | A |
| Cllr Mark Ward | Councillor | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | P |
| Gemma Carton | Garda Diversion | P | P | P | P | P | A | P | A | P | A | A | P | P | A |
| Ann Corrigan | PPN | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | A | P | P | P | P | P | P |
| Tara Deacy | PPN | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P |  | A |
| Noreen Byrne | N Clondalkin LPF | P | P | P | A | A | A | P | A | P | P | P | P | A | A |
| Grace Hill | Tallaght D&ATF | D | P | P | P | P | P | D | A | P | P | A | A | P | A |
| Vacant | Clondalkin D&ATF | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Insp. Lennie Brennan | Clondalkin Garda | P | P |  | D |  | P | A | P | A | D | A | - | - | - |
| Insp. Ray Blake | Tallaght Garda | D | A |  |  |  |  |  | P | P | P | P | P | P | P |
| **In attendance** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Andy Lane | SDCC | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P | P |
| Noel Fitzgerald | Facilitator | - | - | P | P | P | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Brian Roberts | Garda Síochána | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | P | - | - | - | - | - | - |

4.2 The Drug Subcommittee met on the 16th January 2019 and considered the following:

4.2.1 **Decriminalisation of Cannabis:** The decision of the JPC in relation to having a debate on the issue was noted. It was agreed to discuss further in September 2019 with the option of hosting an event on the issue being considered.

4.2.2 **Critical Incident Protocol:** Clarification was sought on the status of the protocol, who is responsible for implementing it, to be raised with the Children and Young Person’s Services Committee (CYPSC).

4.2.3 **Drug reporting at the JPC:** It was felt that the reporting on drugs at the JPC did not give a true picture of the amount of activity and of any outcomes from the interventions. It was suggested that it would be helpful to have a fuller report on outcomes of the Gardaí response to drugs at a JPC meeting.

4.2.4 **Drug Subcommittee Review:** The Drug Subcommittee is currently in the process of reviewing its work in 2017 and 2018 and will provide a full report on progress accompanied with any recommendations to the JPC in 2019.

**5 Next meeting of the Drug Subcommittee**

5.1 The next meeting of the Drug subcommittee needs to be set.