



An Garda Síochána

Monthly Report for June 2025 to the Policing and Community Safety Authority

In accordance with Section 133 (1) of the Policing, Security and Community Safety Act, 2024

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RE: Commissioner's Monthly Report to the Policing and Community Safety Authority

Dear Helen,

I am pleased to provide the Commissioner's Monthly Report, outlining the key aspects of the administration and operation of An Garda Síochána for the month of June 2025, in accordance with Section 133(1) of the Policing, Security and Community Safety Act, 2024.

Yours sincerely,

**THELMA WATTERS
CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE**

25 July 2025

Message from the Commissioner

During the month of June 2025, An Garda Síochána welcomed 120 new recruits, following a passing out ceremony in the Garda College on 6 June 2025. The recruits from Intake 243 have now been deployed to operational responsibilities across the country.

I'm pleased to say that our Garda strength now stands at 14,276, as of 30 June 2025, while Garda Staff strength stands at 3,675. Meanwhile, a further 170 new Garda Trainees have now commenced their training at the Garda College as part of Intake 252.

Also this month, An Garda Síochána launched the Transforming An Garda Síochána 2018-2024 Report, which set out the journey of change and transformation being undertaken by An Garda Síochána in recent years, following publication of the Report of the Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland (CoFPI) in 2018.

With the publishing of this report, we now close out our journey under the A Policing Service for Our Future reform programme. However, work continues within An Garda Síochána to deliver on key goals which will enable us to grow our capabilities, and ensure we can provide a modern and high-quality community-based policing service to the public.

Work continues in the area of Roads Policing, and this month we conducted an extensive operation over the course of the June Bank Holiday weekend, running from Thursday, 29 May 2025 to Tuesday, 3 June 2025. Over the course of the operation, An Garda Síochána conducted more than 830 Mandatory Intoxicant Testing (MIT) checkpoints. Over 4,000 breath tests and approximately 270 oral fluid tests were carried out, leading to 167 arrests for suspected driving under the influence of an intoxicant. Additionally, almost 3,000 drivers were detected exceeding speed limits throughout the weekend.

Over the entire month of June 2025, 3,946 MIT checkpoints were conducted, where an average of eight arrests were made per day nationally for driving under the influence of drugs and 15 per day for driving under the influence of alcohol.

An Garda Síochána continues to appeal to all road users to never drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs, to slow down and to always choose a speed that is appropriate to the driving conditions, to wear your seatbelt and keep your eyes always on the road.

Drew Harris
Commissioner

1. Financial Expenditure and Receipts

	2025 Allocation €'000	Expenditure/Receipts end June €'000	Remaining July-Dec €'000	Remaining %
Gross Total	2,480,453	1,258,801	1,221,652	49%
Appropriation in Aid (receipts)	113,500	76,683	36,817	32%
Net Total	2,366,953	1,182,118	1,184,835	

An Garda Síochána has a gross allocation for 2025 of €2.48b split between €2.31b operating budget (current) and €173.1m capital expenditure. In addition, €16.59m of capital funding has been carried forward from 2024 into 2025. At the end of June 2025, total gross expenditure is €1.26b (51% of allocation) and receipts are €76.68m (68% of allocated).

- Pay (including College) in June 2025, is €823.21m year to date (YTD), which is €24.71m over the budget profile of €798.50m.
- Non-pay (including College) in June 2025 (YTD) is €139.06m, which is €7.44m under the budget profile of €131.62m.
- Capital in June 2025 (YTD), is €73.31m, which is €15.71m over budget profile of €57.59m (YTD). Note: deferred capital of €16.59m excluded.
- Appropriations in Aid in June 2025 (YTD) of €76.68m is €19.26m over budget profile of €57.42m.

Overall, June 2025 net expenditure is in line with budget profile. However, there has been an overspend in overtime which is under review. In addition, there is overspend in towing expenses, with underspend in superannuation costs, clothing, road traffic equipment along with higher receipts in appropriations in aid.

An Garda Síochána met with the Department of Justice and the Department of Public Expenditure NDP Delivery and Reform in April 2025, as part of the Garda Budgetary Oversight and Resourcing Group, to present the current status on overtime and to discuss the plans to return to the approved budget.

The five largest drivers of overtime year to date are crime investigation (23%), other recurring (19%), court (15%), crime prevention (13%) and briefing time (10%). Court and pre-tour briefing time are not in the direct control of An Garda Síochána management. Proactive management of overtime, including a regional focus, is ongoing with a particular emphasis on the drivers of overtime.

Estate Management

Works continue at Bailieboro, Portlaoise and Newcastle Garda Stations, and are the subject of active engagement between the OPW and An Garda Síochána. In addition, other projects at earlier stages of development, such as the upgrading of PEMS in Drogheda, Tallaght and Naas, are being progressed in conjunction with the OPW. Works are anticipated to commence end of Q3 / early Q4 2025 on the development of new Garda stations at Clonmel and Macroom.

2. People and Development

New Gardaí attested in June 2025

On 6 June 2025, 120 Probationer Gardaí were attested from Intake 243, and enjoyed a lovely day celebrating with family and friends. We were pleased to welcome 170 Garda Trainees to commence their training programme as part of Intake 252.



The strength of Garda personnel is growing

As at 30 June 2025, Garda member strength stood at 14,276, and the Garda Staff strength stood at 3,675. A full breakdown by rank, grade and gender is outlined below.

Garda Member Strengths as at 30 June 2025

Rank	As at 30 June 2025	Male	%	Female	%	WTE
Commissioner	1	1	100	0	0	1
Deputy Commissioner	2	1	50	1	50	2
Assistant Commissioner	7	3	43	4	57	7
Chief Superintendent	48	39	81	9	19	48
Superintendent	162	134	83	28	17	162
Inspector	478	378	79	100	21	478
Sergeant	2,198	1,654	75	544	25	2,196.5
Garda	11,380	7,973	70	3,407	30	11,347
Total	14,276	10,183	71	4,093	29	14,241.5

Of which	As at 30 June 2025	Male	%	Female	%
Career Breaks (incl. ICB)	27	16	59.3	11	40.7
Work-sharing	34.5	0.5	1.4	34	98.6
Secondments (Overseas etc.)	45	29	64	16	36
Maternity Leave	55	0	0	55	100
Unpaid Maternity Leave	34	0	0	34	100
Paternity Leave	15	15	100	0	0
Available Strength	14,065.5	10,122.5	72	3,943	28

Garda Reserves Strength As at 30 June 2025	<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
	296	229	77	67	23

Garda Staff Strengths as at 30 June 2025

Grade	<i>Total</i>	<i>WTE</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
CCO	1	1	0	0	1	100
Executive Director	4	4	1	25	3	75
Chief Medical Officer	1	1	1	100	0	0
Director	2	2	1	50	1	50
PO	31	31	18	58.1	13	41.9
AP	117	116.8	57	48.7	60	51.3
HEO	230	229	89	38.7	141	61.3
AO	19	19	8	42.1	11	57.9
EO	861	851.4	284	33	577	67
CO	2,053	1,988.5	553	26.9	1,500	73.1
Total	3,319	3,243.7	1,012	30.5	2,307	69.5
	<i>Total</i>	<i>WTE*</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
Professional/Technical (including Chief Medical Officer)	65	64.8	31	47.7	34	52.3
Administrative ***	3,318	3,242.7	1,011	30.5	2,307	69.5
Industrial/Non Industrial	292	192.8	93	31.8	199	68.2
Total	3,675	3,500.3	1,135	30.9	2,540	69.1
Of which	<i>Total</i>	<i>WTE*</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
Maternity Leave	22	22	0	0	22	100
Unpaid Maternity Leave	7	7	0	0	7	100
Paternity Leave	0	0	0	0	0	0
Available Total	3,646	3471.3	1,135	31.1	2,511	68.9

* WTE = Whole time equivalent – Garda Staff work on a number of different work-sharing patterns.

** Garda Staff Headcount is exclusive of Temporary Clerical Officers.

*** Civil Service grades and other administrative posts.

Work Sharing	<i>Total</i>	<i>WTE</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
	239	75.5	12	5	227	95

*** *Work-sharing figure excludes industrial/non-industrial staff. Many posts are part-time.*

Career Breaks****	<i>Total</i>	<i>WTE</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>%</i>
	27	27	11	41	16	59

**** *Staff on career breaks are not included in total Garda strengths above.*

3. Corporate Communications

Throughout the month of June 2025, the Office of Corporate Communications continued to communicate internally and externally on a broad range of policing activities undertaken by An Garda Síochána. During this month, we conducted a number of media briefings in support of operational activities across the organisation.

This included the launch of the 'Transforming An Garda Síochána 2018-2024' Report at Garda Headquarters, which included a briefing with Commissioner Drew Harris, Deputy Commissioners Shawna Coxon and Justin Kelly, and Executive Director Eimear Bourke on the report. Operational members also presented during the briefing highlighting improvements made within the organisation over the course of the 'A Policing Service for Our Future' programme.

Other activities of note included an update on the roll-out of electric vehicles in the Garda Fleet at Wexford Garda Station on 4 June 2025; a graduation ceremony at the Garda College, Templemore on 6 June 2025; and the launch of the Donegal Rally Roads Policing Operation with the PSNI on 18 June 2025.

Launch of Transforming An Garda Síochána 2018-2024 Report 9 June 2025



Left: Members of the media attending An Garda Síochána 2018-2024 Report briefing in the Innovation Centre, Garda Headquarters. Right: Media briefing conducted with Commissioner Harris.

The Office of Corporate Communications supported the launch of the Transforming An Garda Síochána 2018-2024 Report by conducting a two stage media event at Garda Headquarters on Monday, 9 June 2025 with senior leadership members and operational personnel.

The media event included a presentation element held in the Innovation Centre where media were provided with an overview of the report and key deliveries, and was followed by a media briefing with the Garda Commissioner. A further element of the event included a display of various Garda assets, including our newly purchased water cannon. Media were invited to view Garda vehicles and equipment and speak with personnel about how these support them in carrying out their policing functions.

A social media video was created to provide greater public awareness of the report, and the positive changes implemented by An Garda Síochána under its reform programme, this was shared across our various social media channels.



Display of Garda Assets at Garda Headquarters at the launch of the Transforming An Garda Síochána 2018-2024 Report.

Roll-out of Electric Vehicles at Wexford Garda Station on 4 June 2025



Assistant Commissioner for the Eastern Region, and Roads Policing and Community Engagement Paula Hilman pictured with Superintendent Jarlath Duffy and members of the Community Policing Team at Wexford Garda Station on 4 June 2025.

The Office of Corporate Communications conducted a media event at Wexford Garda Station to unveil the Wexford/Waterford Garda Division electric vehicle fleet. A total of 24 electric vehicles are now operational within the division, which sees frontline uniformed community policing in the Wexford District now fully electric.

Over 20 of these electric vehicles were on display at Wexford Garda Station for the event along with a bank of chargers. The event served to illustrate An Garda Síochána commitment to introduce electric vehicles and electric vehicle chargers nationally, to compliment petrol and diesel vehicles, and to embrace more sustainable transport solutions.

Intake 243 Attestation at the Garda College, Templemore on 6 June 2025



Commissioner Drew Harris and Garda Christopher Dempsey pictured speaking to media at the attestation ceremony on 6 June 2025.

As An Garda Síochána welcomed 120 new Garda Trainees, the Office of Corporate Communications was involved in promoting the passing out ceremony. This included the issuing of a press release, conducting a live stream from the ceremony, associated photography and video content together with a press briefing with Commissioner Drew Harris and newly attested Gardaí at the Garda College in Templemore.

These activities served to highlight the current strength of personnel in An Garda Síochána; that being a Garda is a job worth doing; and ongoing efforts in the area of recruitment. The event was also attended by the Minister for Justice, Jim O’Callaghan.

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**Family day out
When mammy became a garda**

Garda Lisa Marie Fitzgerald with five of her six children – Aobhan (7), Tiannagh (6), Savannah (5), Milleigh (3), and Mallaigh Mae (2) – following the Donegal woman’s graduation in Templemore yesterday.

Photograph: Nick Bradshaw

Probationer Garda Lisa Marie Fitzgerald with her children at the graduation ceremony on 6 June 2025, as featured on the front page of the Irish Times.

Garda Press Office Activity

The Garda Press Office operates from 7am-11pm, seven days a week, responding to hundreds of queries, coordinating external communications and media relations, and regularly updating our social media platforms.








This office issued 157 press releases, including 55 missing person appeals in respect of 27 individuals; 21 witness appeals; together with those related to successful operations undertaken by the organisation during the month of June 2025.

Social Media Activities

The Office of Corporate Communications oversees six official social media channels for An Garda Síochána; Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn, X (formerly Twitter) and Bluesky. Within these channels there are 43 separate accounts, including regional Facebook and regional Instagram profiles. There are approximately 2.3million followers across all platforms. These channels are used to promote activity within the organisation, highlighting the good work being done nationwide. These channels are further used to provide key communications to the public on behalf of An Garda Síochána. These communications may include public information regarding traffic disruption, public appeals for information, alerts i.e. Child Rescue Ireland (CRI) alerts and campaigns.

The Office of Corporate Communications measures the success of these communications by capturing:

- The number of followers/individual users who have subscribed to each account.
- The rate of engagement with the account. A high percentage indicates we are producing compelling posts that resonate with our audience. Typically, a good engagement rate is in the region of 1-5%.

Social Media Channel	Number of Followers	Engagement Rate
 Facebook - @AnGardaSíochána	427,872	1.22%
 Facebook – Missing Persons	29,359	1.57%
 Instagram - @GardaInsta	248,206	3.92%
 X- @GardaInfo	298,160	2.19%
 X - @GardaTraffic	631,192	10.96%
 LinkedIn – An Garda Síochána	79,081	10.83%
 TikTok – @GardaInfo	68,489	5.37%

Internal Communications

In June 2025, An Garda Síochána Internal Communications Team delivered seven issues of Newsbeat. The average Newsbeat open rate is 66%, higher than the industry standard open rate of 57.17% for internal newsletters, and the 52.26% average within Government and Public Service organisations.



Newsbeat highlights from June 2025 include:

- Notice issued on Distracted Driving day-of-action which took place on 25 June 2025 nationwide.
- Launch of the Drug Related Intimidation and Violence Engagement (DRIVE) National Awareness Campaign.
- A notice on the annual Garda Public Attitudes Survey (PAS), which seeks the views of a sample of adults and young people on issues relating to An Garda Síochána, crime and policing in Ireland.

4. Operating Model

Following the implementation of the Operating Model in the Kildare/Carlow Division on 11 May 2025, all 21 divisions are now operating under the Operating Model Four Functional Area structures (Business Services, Performance Assurance, Crime and Community Engagement).

The four Regional Offices have commenced implementation of standardised processes:

Wave 1 – Performance Assurance

Wave 2 – Finance and Logistics

Wave 3 – General Administration

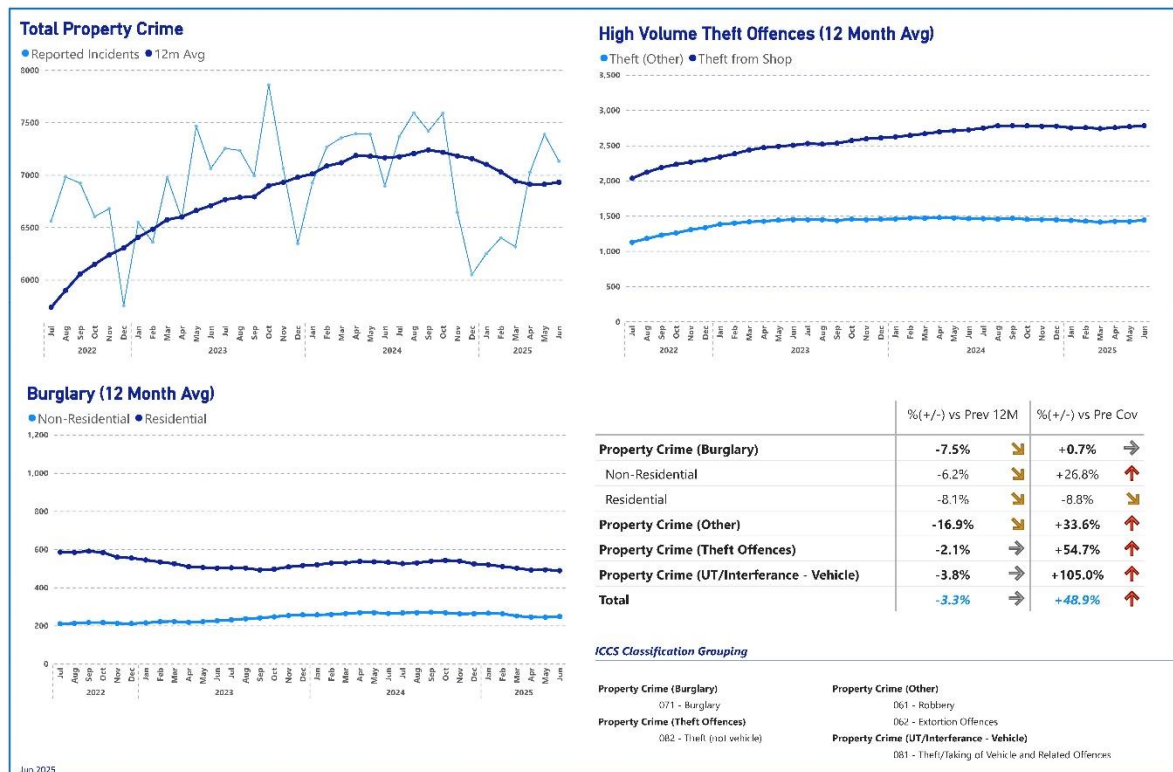
Wave 4 – the HR processes will commence in early course across all four Regional Offices.

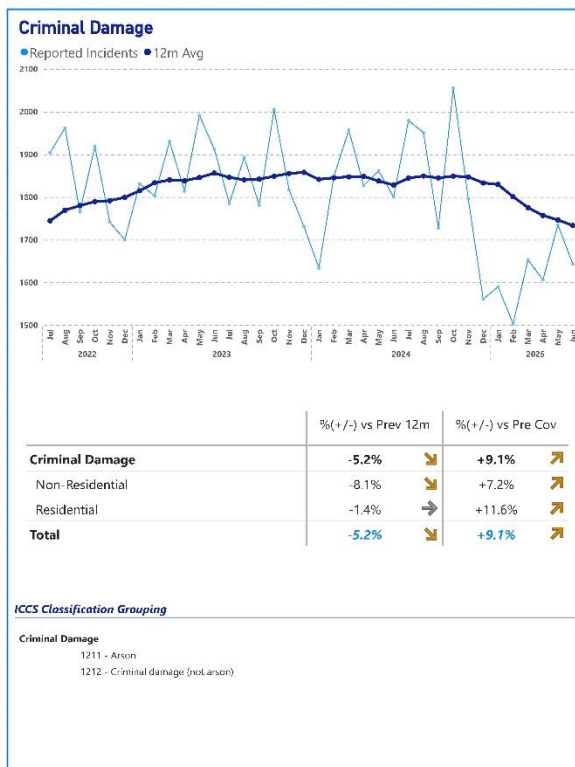
National functions have been engaged and presented with a common 'national blueprint design'. All functions have been requested to formally feedback on the blueprints.

5. Crime Trends

Crime Trends

The Garda Síochána Analysis Service closely monitors crime trends, and disseminates analysis on a regional and divisional basis. This feeds directly into planning operational activities aimed at reducing and preventing crime. Crime incident figures and the associated trends are based on provisional data, and are subject to change following review. The CSO publications represent the official crime statistics. These are carried in the CSO's quarterly publications of crime trends and in their annual reports.





Use of Force June 2025

Category	June 2025
Total UOF for Month	1,112
Civilians Injured	20
Garda Members Injured	14
Pepper Spray Deployed	113
Batons	22
Handcuffs	1,041
Anti-spit guard	1
Unarmed Restraint	169
Taser	3
Less Lethal Firearm	2
Firearm	0
Gender Subject to Force – Male	877
Gender Subject to Force – Female	141
Drugs Involved	292
Alcohol Involved	656
Division with highest level UOF – DMR South Central	217
Percentage of UOF Deployments occurring Friday, Saturday and Sunday	48%

6. Policing Challenges

Demonstrations

An Garda Síochána continue to provide a policing response, including traffic management, to protests nationally. The Israel/Palestine conflict, and anti-immigration/housing of refugees, continue to be the main themes of protests/demonstrations. Of the total number of protests and demonstrations, 76 were held across the DMR during June 2025, with two arrests made for public order offences. The largest protest comprised of 4,000 people attending an anti-immigration demonstration at the Garden of Remembrance, Parnell Square, Dublin.

Table 1 - Demonstration (Non Crime) - 2025YTD

Region	2025 YTD
Dublin Region	413
Eastern Region	71
North Western Region	44
Southern Region	100
Total	628

Table 2 - Demonstration (Non Crime) – June 2025

Region	June 2025
Dublin Region	79
Eastern Region	16
North Western Region	5
Southern Region	19
Grand Total	119

Policing at Events

The planning for, resourcing and policing of major events continues to provide a challenge in terms of policing resources. June marked a particularly busy month for policing, security and traffic management in the Dublin Metropolitan Region. In addition to a number of sporting and cultural events, there were a number of concerts at venues across the city and summer social events, including the series of concerts in Malahide Castle and the Aviva stadium.

Roads Policing

An Garda Síochána continues to respond to road safety challenges. In June 2025, 13 people died in fatal collisions. There were 90 serious injury collisions reported in June 2025.

An Garda Síochána continues to implement the 30-minute roads policing initiative which was introduced in April 2024, to increase visibility on our roads. In June 2025, there were 3,946 MIT checkpoints conducted.

There was an average of eight arrests per day nationally for driving under the influence of drugs, 15 per day for driving under the influence of alcohol and there were more than 2,800 vehicles seized under the provisions of Section 41 of the Road Traffic Act, in June 2025.

	June 2025
Mobile Phone FCNs	1,928
Seatbelt FCNs	464
Intercept Speed FCNs	2,855
Non-Intercept Speed FCNs	10,800
Total Speed FCNs	13,655
Driving While Intoxicated*	682
Driving While Intoxicated - alcohol as a factor	449
Driving While Intoxicated - drugs as a factor	233
Driving While Intoxicated – alcohol & drugs as a factor	21

Section 41 Detentions		June 2025
Vehicle Detained (Sc. 41 RTA)**		2,808
Vehicle Detained (Sc. 41 RTA) - no ins.		1,574
Vehicle Detained (Sc. 41 RTA) - no tax		969
Vehicle Detained (Sc. 41 RTA) - no NCT		454
Vehicle Detained (Sc. 41 RTA) - unaccompanied learner drivers		539

MIT Checkpoints - Breath/Oral Fluid Tests		June 2025
MIT Checkpoints - Breath Tests performed		14,297
MIT Checkpoints - Oral Fluid Tests performed		810

* Driving While Intoxicated excludes incidents of type 'Driver Under the Limit (No Offence Disclosed)' and 'In Charge Under The Limit (No Offence Disclosed)'.

** It is important to note that vehicles may be detained under S.41 of the Road Traffic Act for more than one reason.

Information contained in this section is based upon operational data from the Pulse and FCPS systems as was available on 03/07/2025 (07/07/2025 for FCPS) and is liable to change. Crime counting rules were not applied.

7. Community Engagement

Bord Bia Bloom Festival 2025

Gardaí from the Garda National Community Policing Unit and the Garda National Community Engagement Bureau organised a stand at An Bord Bia Bloom Festival 2025 over the June Bank Holiday weekend to promote the work of An Garda Síochána. The stall featured an array of interactive activities designed to appeal to visitors of all ages. The popular Garda cut-out stand, designed to foster positive interactions with Gardaí, drew enthusiastic responses from families. There was representation from the Garda National Cyber Crime Bureau and the Garda National Economic Crime Bureau, offering crime prevention advice. The Garda Band provided a performance at the Bloom stage, much to the delight of the crowds attending. The Garda Mounted Unit provided a presence at the event and assisted with positive engagement with visitors to the Garda stand.

The festival also served as a platform to display An Garda Síochána commitment to modernisation and sustainability, featuring a fleet of new vehicles which included An Garda Síochána Dublin Castle Roads Policing BikeSafe initiative. There was also a proof of concept tri-city motorbike currently being considered by An Garda Síochána, emphasising the organisations' efforts to explore ways for effective policing capabilities. Additionally, the Garda Community Engagement Van was on site, symbolising An Garda Síochána dedication to enhancing community outreach and accessibility. This van is customised to serve as a mobile hub for public interaction, providing information on safety, crime prevention and community programmes. An Garda Síochána presence at Bloom not only showcased their diverse and innovative approaches to policing but also reinforced their role as an integral part of the community, dedicated to building trust and ensuring public confidence.

Garda National Crime Prevention Unit's Presentation to the HSE

On 18 and 25 June 2025, the Garda National Crime Prevention Unit presented to the HSE and its members on crime prevention and personal safety. This presentation provided crime prevention advice to staff nearing retirement within the HSE. Examples of topics covered within the presentation are personal safety, home security and online safety. This is a continuing monthly commitment with members of the National Crime Prevention Unit and the HSE. This commitment has afforded an additional opportunity for An Garda Síochána to engage with our communities, providing practical crime prevention tips and information.

Director of the Diversion Programme (GNYDB) attends Safe Futures Project in Lisbon.

From 19 – 20 June 2025, the Director of the Diversion Programme, Garda National Youth Diversion Bureau attended the kick-off event of the project titled "Safe Futures: Promising Approaches, Opportunities and Barriers for Interventions to Prevent Youth Recruitment and Participation in European Drugs Markets", at the European Union Drugs Agency in Lisbon, Portugal. Safe Futures is a new European Union Drugs Agency funded project by the Research Evidence into Policy Programmes and Practice project (REPPP) Team, University of Limerick which is bringing together policymakers, researchers, law enforcement agencies and practitioners from across Europe to collaborate in a new community of practice. The overall purpose of the project is to enhance drug-related crime prevention efforts in Europe by:

- Establish a multi-disciplinary and jurisdictional community of practice to support and contribute to the project activities.
- Conduct a desk review of literature on interventions, initiatives and evaluations.
- Identify and review existing examples of practices and interventions.
- Identify critical success factors and barriers to development and implementation of interventions.
- Develop a conceptual framework and model to inform development and implementation of interventions.

Quarterly Meeting with the Garda Divisional Diversity Inspectors

On 23 June 2025, the Garda National Diversity Unit (GNDU) facilitated a quarterly meeting with the Garda Divisional Diversity Inspectors. A representative of the Traveller Mediation Service (TMS) was in attendance and the main topics on the agenda were as follows:

- Update from GNDU on developments since the Diversity Conference in February 2025.
- Traveller Mediation Service – Presentation and Q&A.
- Local diversity related issues.
- Sharing of local initiatives/best practice.

New Canine Dog in the North Western Region

On 9 June 2025, the North Western Region received a new canine dog “Gunner” who attended his first checkpoint on-duty. Gunner joined Garda members at a Mandatory Intoxicant Testing (MIT) checkpoint, where they detected two drivers that tested positive at the roadside for the presence of drugs. One vehicle was seized for having no insurance, while several other drivers were issued with fines and penalty points for a range of road traffic offences. The objective of this high-visibility policing activity is to promote awareness, deter drug use, search for drugs and deter both driving under the influence of alcohol, and driving under the influence of drugs.



New North Western Region's new canine dog "Gunner"