

An Garda Síochána



Annual Policing Plan 2009
Dublin Metropolitan Region
Traffic Division

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Foreword by Chief Superintendent Aidan Reid, DMR (Traffic) Division.

The 2009 DMR (Traffic) Divisional Policing Plan is the conclusion of the three year cycle of the Garda Corporate Strategy 2007 – 2009.

A Regional Goal 3 – Traffic has been developed, in co-operation with the other Divisional Officers to reflect the Roads Policing needs of the Dublin Metropolitan Region and in particular to:

- Build on the reduction of road fatalities achieved during 2008
- Further develop Regional capability in Roads Policing
- Implement the Government priorities as set out in the Road Safety Strategy 2007 – 2012
- Meet the particular challenges of Transport 21 (Major Infrastructure Public Transport Programme) during 2009 with a significant contribution to the free flow of traffic



The move from Traffic Management to Roads Policing includes additional commitments in support of Strategy Goal 2 (Crime) and 4 (Public Order). This move will necessitate changes in current work practices in order to provide us with the opportunity of Building Team Commitment and achieving our outputs and outcomes as set out in the plan.

My management team and I are committed to delivering strong leadership and a professional policing service, within budget, to the highest professional, ethical and human rights standards.

I would like to thank the key stakeholders, both external and internal for their input and I welcome comment from interested parties, positive or negative, which will assist me in achieving the objectives of this plan.

(Aidan Reid)
Chief Superintendent
January 2009.

Goal One – National & International Security

To maintain National & International Security

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Garda units dedicated to combating subversive activity and emerging security threats • Identify and monitor all targets with subversive/Islamic militant links • Constant liaison and cooperation with SDU • Sustain and continue our regional capability to effectively respond to immediate national and international security threats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals arrested and/or prosecuted for terrorist/subversive/ Islamic militant offences • Number of threats identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Garda units dedicated to combating subversive activity and emerging security threats • Number of Escorts requested by Assistant Commissioner Crime and Security 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of individuals arrested and/or prosecuted for terrorist/subversive/ Islamic militant offences • No. of V.I.P. escorts • No. of Garda/Cash escorts. • No. of Garda/Army Prisoner escorts • No. of E.O.D (Explosives Ordinance Disposal) escorts • No. of Events

Regional Outcomes: A Safe and Secure State; A Positive Contribution to International Security

Goal Two – Crime

- To significantly reduce the incidence of crime and criminal behaviour

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals involved in organised and serious crime will continue to be targeted through intelligence led operations to target gun crime, the drugs trade and human trafficking • Target Payment Card Fraud • Target Property Related Crime • Campaigns at regional and local level to heighten Public Awareness in relation to the prevention of domestic burglaries, unauthorised takings and theft from MPV • Pro-actively manage the sex offenders register • Inspector to be appointed in each district to ensure domestic violence policies are fully implemented • Support the implementation of the National Model of Crime Prevention and Reduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in Possession of Firearm incidents • Increase in the Detection Rate for Possession of Firearms Offences • Increase in Detections of importation of drugs, cultivation and manufacture of drugs, and possession of drugs for sale or supply • Reduced overall number of Fraud/Deception incidents • Reduction in the number of Property Related crimes • Increase in the Detection Rate achieved in Property Related crimes • Campaigns mounted in each Garda Division/District • Increase in the Detection Rate for Sexual Offences • Inspector appointed to monitor and support persons at risk of domestic violence • Increase in the Detection Rate for incidents of domestic violence • Support the implementation of the National Model of Crime Prevention and Reduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Garda units dedicated to combating organised and serious crime through assistance in intelligence led operations to target gun crime, the drugs trade and human trafficking • Support the implementation of the National Model of Crime Prevention and Reduction as applies to the DMR Traffic Division 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No. of intelligence led operations supported • Further development of Traffic Control Centre and other traffic technologies to support the Garda units dedicated to combating organised and serious crime • No. of individuals selected through intelligence led information for rigorous enforcement of the Road Traffic Act • National Model of Crime Prevention and Reduction supported

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue the process of expanding the case management system for juveniles and adults in every DMR Division • Increase the number of bench, penal, distress and committal warrants executed • Monitor criminal behaviour on public transportation and make DART, Luas and Dublin Bus a safer place to travel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued expansion of the case management system • Increase in the number of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bench warrants executed ○ Penal Warrants executed ○ Distress warrants executed ○ Committal warrants executed • Frequency of liaison meetings between Public Transport Operators and An Garda Síochána 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop intelligence led initiatives to identify and target persons wanted on warrant for serious traffic offences - denying criminals the use of the road • Frequency of liaison meetings between Public Transport Operators and DMR Traffic Division • Submit Business Case to A/C DMR to develop a Regional response for regular security operations on public transport • Monitor criminal behaviour with respect to SPSV's (Small Public Service Vehicles) operating within the DMR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in the number of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bench warrants executed • Number of meetings attended • No of operations conducted • No of SPSV operations completed
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Regional Outcomes: Serious and Organised Crime Undermined Within the State; Reductions in Property Crime and Increased Detections; An Garda Síochána's Ability to Detect Offenders; Risk Posed by Sex Offenders Subject to the Provisions of Legislation Reduced; Increased Confidence in An Garda Síochána's Ability to Investigate Crimes involving Domestic Violence and those of a Sexual Nature

Goal Three – Traffic

To significantly reduce the incidence of fatal and serious injuries and improve road safety within the Dublin Region

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<p>Through greater visibility and enforcement increase compliance of Road Traffic Legislation within the Region by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing the Regional Road Policing Operations Plan (<i>appendix A</i>) • Intelligence led initiatives to changing young driver behaviour • Develop an intelligence led initiative to identify and target persistent offenders and un-roadworthy vehicles • Deployment of Automated Robot speed detection Van at Speed Enforcement Zones • Utilisation of intercept speed detection equipment • Develop an ANPR (Automated Number Plate Recognition) Operational Strategy for the Region 	<p>Increase in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Drink driving detections ➢ Drug driving detections ➢ Road Transport offences detected <p>No. of MAT (Mandatory Alcohol Testing) checkpoints (manual ret) No. of persons breathalysed (manual ret)</p> <p>Implement the Regional Road Policing Operations Plan</p> <p>No. of intelligence led operations</p> <p>No. of disqualified drivers detected No. of persons wanted on warrant for serious traffic offences detected No. of Section 41 vehicle seizures No. of offences for non-compliance of NCT regulations</p> <p>No. of automated speed detections by speed limit zone No. of intercept speed detections by speed limit zone</p> <p>ANPR Strategy implemented</p>	<p>Through greater visibility and enforcement increase compliance of Road Traffic Legislation within the Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full implementation of Section 12 of the RTA 2006 (a)(b)(c). • Implement Roads Policing Operations Plan 2009 • Create an Intelligence led approach to changing young driver behaviour • Develop an intelligence led strategy to identify and target persistent offenders and un-roadworthy vehicles • Prepare a schedule for Regional Speed enforcement • Develop an ANPR Operational Strategy for roads policing in the DMR 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. of drink driving detections 2. No. of drug driving detections 3. No. of Road Transport offences detected 4. No. of MAT checkpoints conducted 5. No. of persons breathalysed at MAT checkpoints 6. Roads Policing Plan 2009 Implemented 7. No. of Regional operations 8. No. of disqualified drivers identified and targeted 9. No. of persons wanted on warrant for serious traffic offences detected 10. Development of an FCPS (Fixed Charge Penalty System) evader section 11. No. of section 41 vehicle seized 12. No. of detections for non-compliance with N.C.T. regulations 13. No. of insurance offences detected 14. No. of driving licence offences detected 15. No. of defective vehicles seized 16. No. of intercept speed detections by speed limit zone 17. No. of automated speed detections by speed limit zone 18. No. of roads policing alerts dealt with

Goal Three – Traffic

To significantly reduce the incidence of fatal and serious injuries and improve road safety within the Dublin Region

Regional Actions	Regional Actions	Divisional Actions	Divisional Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement a strategy to reduce the risks to vulnerable road users within the Region 	<p>Reduction in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fatal and serious injury traffic collision achieved Reduction in fatal and serious collisions involving drivers in the 17-26 year age group 	<p>Reduce the number of fatal and serious road traffic collisions within the region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through greater visibility and enforcement increase compliance of Road Traffic Legislation within the Region Through greater visibility and enforcement improve road safety and driver behaviour on national primary routes within the Region Within one week a combined FCIU/local authorities to carry out preliminary on site inspection of fatal and serious traffic collisions Piloting automated Red Light Camera detection systems Implement the Road Safety Strategy 2007-2012 within the DMR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19. No. of fatal and serious injury traffic collisions 20. No. of fatal and serious collisions involving drivers in the 17-26 year age group 21. No. of seat belt offences detected 22. No. of dedicated patrols 23. No. of motorway offences detected 24. No. of sites visited 25. No. of traffic light offences detected 26. Road Safety 3rd Level Education Presentation produced in conjunction with Road Safety Authority (RSA) and rolled out within the DMR 27. Road safety presentation specific to the elderly produced and rolled out within the DMR 28. No. of road safety presentations to vulnerable youths currently engaged in juvenile diversion programmes

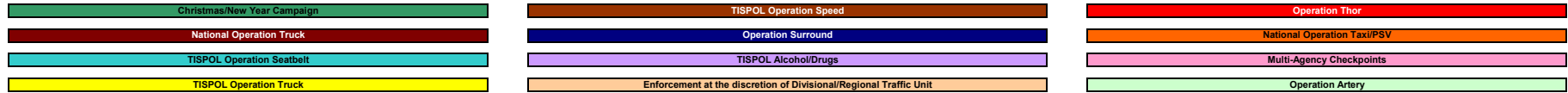
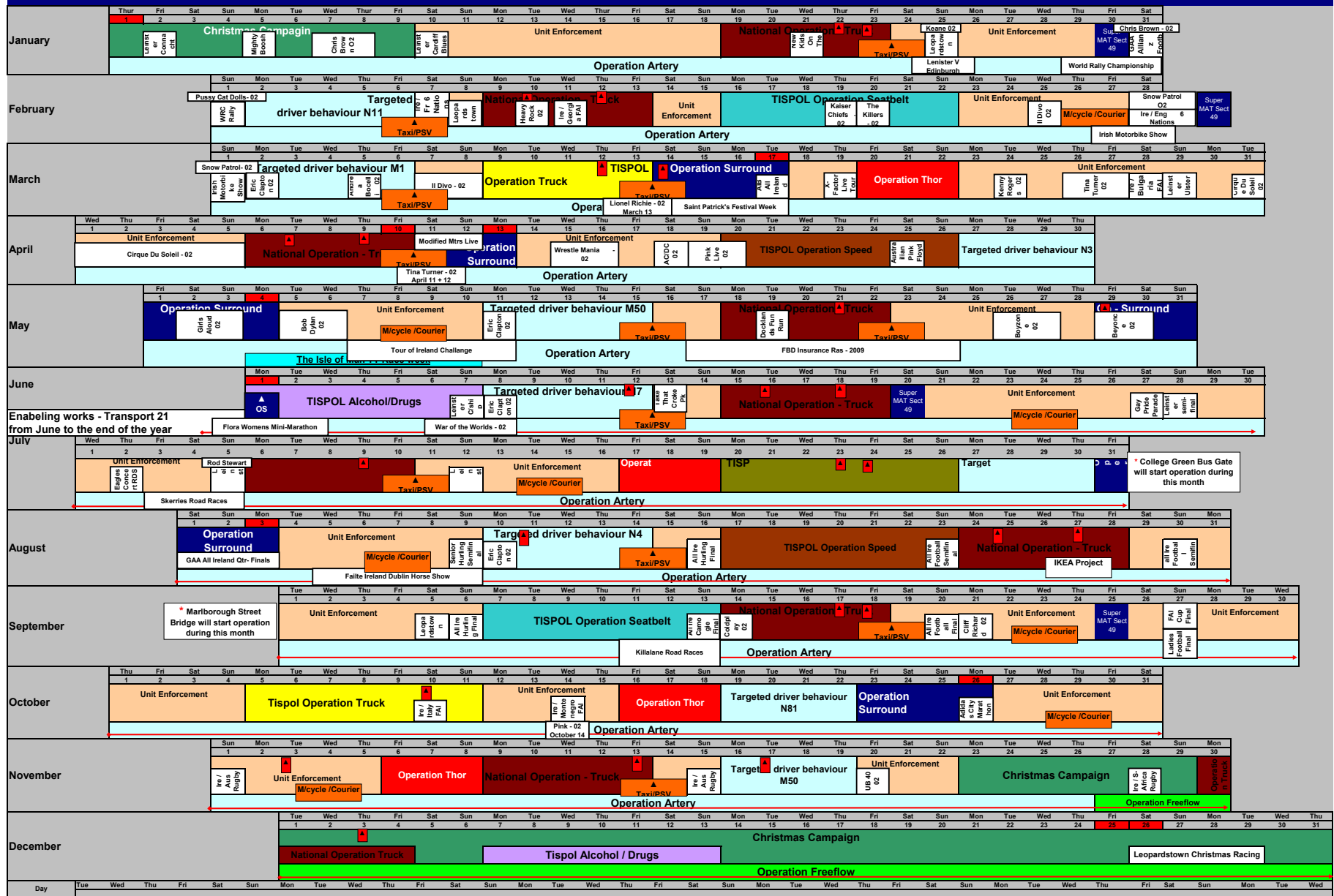
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Regional Actions	Regional Actions	Divisional Actions	Divisional Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and implement a strategy to reduce the risks to vulnerable road users within the region • Regional and Divisional Traffic Units increased in line with strategic review of Traffic Corps 2005 • Develop new Roads Policing Roster for DMR • Implement the National Roads Policing Strategy • Further develop a Regional capability in Roads Policing 	<p><i>Reduction in:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Fatal and serious injury traffic collision achieved ➢ Reduction in fatal and serious collisions involving drivers in the 17-26 year age group <p>No. of Traffic personnel deployed within the Region</p> <p>New Roads Policing Roster implemented</p> <p>National Roads Policing Strategy implemented</p> <p>Appropriate resources identified and trained</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the Road Safety Strategy 2007-2012 within the DMR • Regional and Divisional Traffic Units increased in line with strategic review of Traffic Corps 2005 • Develop and agree a new Roads Policing Roster for the DMR • Implement the National Roads Policing Strategy • Undertake two Roads Policing seminars for the DMR 	<p>29. Road safety presentation specific to cyclists produced and rolled out within the DMR</p> <p>30. No. of presentations to schools and colleges</p> <p>31. No. of Traffic personnel deployed within the Region</p> <p>32. New Roads Policing Roster implemented</p> <p>33. National Roads Policing Strategy implemented</p> <p>34. No. of seminars conducted</p>
<p>Regional Outcomes: Reduction in Incidence of Fatal and Serious Injuries and Improved Road Safety through Increased Road User Compliance; Significant Contribution to the Free Flow of Traffic</p>			

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Appendix "A" - Goal 3 - Traffic



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Goal Four – Public Order

To significantly reduce the incidence of public order and anti social behaviour in our communities

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase Garda visibility in urban centres and known trouble spots at night and on weekends thereby adopting a low tolerance stance in relation to alcohol and drug related anti-social behaviour • Pro actively enforce the various Liquor licensing and Public order legislation available to the Gardaí • Identify trends & patterns in relation to all forms of criminal damage • Identify trends & patterns in relation to assaults 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in Public Disorder offences • Number of Behaviour Warnings issued under the Criminal Justice Act 2006 (adults) • Number of Civil Orders applied for under the Criminal Justice Act 2006 (adults) • Number of Behaviour Warnings issued under the Criminal Justice Act 2006 (juveniles) • Number of Good Behaviour Contracts issued (juveniles) • Number of Behaviour Orders applied for (juveniles) • Number of Adult Cautions administered • Increase in the number of inspections of licensed premises • Number of prosecutions under S4 (1) Intoxicating Liquor Act 2003 • Number of warnings issued to license holders under S4(2) Licensing (Combating Drug Abuse) Act, 1997 • Number of applications to the District Court under S4(1) Licensing (Combating Drug Abuse) Act 1997 • Number of warnings issued to license holders under S18(2) of Licensing (Combating Drug Abuse) Act, 1997 • Number of applications in the District Court under S18(1) of Licensing (Combating Drug Abuse) Act, 1997 • Number of Exclusion Orders applied for under S3(1) Criminal Justice (Public Order) act 2003 • Number of notices served under S4(2) Criminal Justice (Public Order) act 2003 • Number of applications for Closure Orders to the District Court under S4(1) C.J.(P.O.) Act 2003 • Reduction in the number of criminal damage offences • Reduction in the number of incidents of assault 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Divisions to reduce the incidents of public disorder by high-visibility proactive patrolling • Continue to assist local Divisional/ District resources to reduce the incidence of public disorder and anti-social behaviour, particularly in respect of Road Traffic offences • Frequency of liaison meetings between Public Transport Operators and DMR Traffic Division 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No. of patrols • No. of requests complied with • Relevant information disseminated to Divisional Officers

Regional Outcome: Safer Communities and Public Places

Goal Five – Ethnic & Cultural Diversity

To provide equal protection and appropriate service, while nurturing mutual respect and trust

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the Garda Diversity Strategy as appropriate in each Division • Encourage recruitment of and answer queries from, interested members of ethnically diverse communities in relation to joining An Garda Síochána • Utilise community Gardaí to increase detections of racist incidents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action the relevant elements of the National Diversity strategy • Evaluate the implementation of the Diversity Strategy on a quarterly basis • Information provided to interested members of ethnically diverse communities in relation to recruitment into An Garda Síochána • Record and review all racist incidents on PULSE • Increase detections of racist incidents and number of racist incidents recorded 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the Garda Diversity Strategy as appropriate in the DMR Traffic Division • Evaluate the implementation of the Diversity Strategy on a quarterly basis • Upon recruitment drive (Garda Reserve or regular service), where DMR Traffic Division is requested to assist - an information day will be held within the Division to cater for, and answer queries from, interested members of ethnically diverse communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action the relevant elements of the National Diversity strategy • Evaluate the implementation of the Diversity Strategy on a quarterly basis • Information provided to interested members of ethnically diverse communities in relation to recruitment into An Garda Síochána
Regional Outcome: A Garda Service that Reflects and Serves our Diverse Communities			

Goal Six – Community Engagement

To build a Garda service that reflects the needs of and priorities of the people of Ireland

Regional Actions	Regional Performance Indicator	Divisional Actions	Divisional Performance Indicator
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the Garda National Model of Community Policing Regionally • Implement Garda targets of the National Youth Justice Strategy regionally • Commence pilot of the Garda Charter regionally • Engage with partner agencies in relation to satisfaction of older people with Garda service • Each person of pensionable age who is a victim of domestic burglary or assault shall have a community Garda visit with crime prevention strategies and reassurance offered which will be recorded on PULSE • Increase the level of Garda uniformed visibility throughout the Region • The development of partnerships by consultation with the Joint Policing Committees (JPCs) working together to achieve a Garda service addressing the needs of the community • Appoint and train Two Family Liaison Officers in each Garda District 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action the relevant elements of the National Model of Community Policing in each Division • Action the relevant elements of the National Youth Justice Strategy in each Division • Commence pilot of the Garda Charter • The proportion of persons of pensionable age, who have been victims of domestic burglary or assault, that have received a visit from their community Garda and have been given crime prevention strategies and reassurance • Chief Superintendents or Superintendents appointed to all Joint Policing Committees as appropriate • 100% attendance at all Joint Policing Committees meetings • All recommendations emanating from Joint Policing Committees are assessed and actioned as appropriate • Two trained Family Liaison Officers appointed and trained in each District 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action the relevant elements of the National Youth Justice Strategy as it relates to the DMR Traffic Division • Implement Ghost Customer survey of Road Traffic checkpoints to improve public satisfaction ratings • Increase the level of Garda uniformed visibility throughout the Region 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement the relevant elements of the National Youth Justice Strategy as it relates to the DMR Traffic Division • No. of surveys conducted • No. of Traffic Corps patrols carried out

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage with partner agencies in relation to satisfaction levels of victims of crime with Garda service • Advise crime victims in writing in a timely fashion in appropriate cases the contact details of the investigating Garda and the availability of victim support services • Improve response times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the engagement process with partner agencies in relation to satisfaction with Garda service • 100% of crime victims contacted in writing advising them of the availability of victim support services • Achieve an 82% response to Emergency Calls (Priority 1) within 15 minutes • Achieve a 94% response to Emergency Calls (Priority 1) within 30 minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve response times to emergency traffic calls (Priority 1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve an 82% response to Emergency Traffic Calls (Priority 1) within 15 minutes • Achieve a 94% response to Emergency Traffic Calls (Priority 1) within 30 minutes
<p>Regional Outcome: A Garda Service that is Partnership Based and Community Oriented; Improved Communication with, and Service to, Victims of Crime</p>			