

An Garda Síochána Policing Plan 2011 Mayo Division

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'Working with our Communities'

Foreword from Chief Superintendent Thomas A. Curley - Mayo Division.

I am pleased to introduce An Garda Síochána's Annual Policing Plan in respect of County Mayo for 2011. This plan outlines our strategic goals for the second year of the Strategy Statement 2010 – 2012 and includes the priorities determined for An Garda Síochána by the Minister for Justice and Law Reform under Section 20 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005.

The Strategy Statement 2010 – 2012 is based upon four core values, namely:

- Honesty Being honest and ethical and adhering to the principles of fairness and justice;
- **Accountability** Accepting individual responsibility and ensuring public accountability;
- **Respect** Having respect for people, their Human Rights and their needs;
- **Professionalism** Providing a professional policing service to all communities.

This document sets out how the management and staff of the Mayo Division will advance these strategic objectives and contribute to national performance indicators through local action. We are, as always, looking forward to the co-operation of the public in our efforts at achieving our stated objectives. In this regard we also look forward to the continued assistance and co-operation of local authorities, the Health Service Executive, state agencies, voluntaries agencies and the business community.

This interaction will be availed of to continuously identify the requirements of our community and their concerns and to find solutions which enhance the service we provide.

We are deeply committed to providing the best quality police service possible. I am cognisant of the valuable interaction which exists between An Garda Siochana and the community we serve. This most welcome interaction will be availed of to continuously identify the requirements of our community and their concerns and to find solutions which will enhance the service we provide. Partnership and consultation are vital and I look forward to your continued co-operation and support in the coming year. My team will continue to target people who are committing crimes of any nature. The prevention and detection of crime is our core activity and we will ensure that we use all our resources effectively and efficiently to get the best results. A strong focus will continue to be maintained in relation to incidents of anti-social behavior and public disorder. We will continue with our efforts to achieve a reduction in fatal and serious collisions on our roads. This will be achieved through the use of enforcement measures, education and the promotion of a partnership based approach. With this objective in mind, I have appointed Inspector Martin Byrne, to oversee all matters in relation to Traffic enforcement in the Mayo Division.

The Garda and civilian staff of the Mayo Division are committed to providing a quality, competent, helpful and efficient service to all our customers. I would welcome your views on how we can improve on the service level provided. I would like to thank all of those who made submissions and suggestions for this plan. There is a list of contacts on the last page of this document.

Signed: Thomas A. Curley.

Chief Superintendent.

Dated: January 2011

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`Excellent people delivering policing excellence`

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Working with Communities to Protect and Serve

VALUES

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Policing Priorities for An Garda Síochána for 2011

Determined by the Minister for Justice and Law Reform

Background

The function of the Garda Síochána under section 7 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005 is to provide policing and security for the State with the objective of:

- (a) preserving the peace and public order,
- (b) protecting life and property
- (c) vindicating the human rights of each individual
- (d) protecting the security of the State,
- (e) preventing crime
- (f) bringing criminals to justice, including by detecting and investigating crime,
- (g) regulating and controlling road traffic and improving road safety; and carrying out such other functions conferred by law, including those relating to immigration.

In producing his policing plan the Garda Commissioner is required to have regard to the priorities of the Minister for Justice and Law Reform and to the Garda Strategy Statement. The Commissioner is also required to have regard to relevant Government policy. This includes the provisions of the Programme for Government and the specific Government strategies in relation to drugs, human trafficking, youth justice, victims of crime, road safety, and on domestic and sexual violence.

Priorities for 2011

The Minister has determined the following matters as priorities for the Garda Síochána for 2011, in accordance with Section 20 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005.

Security

To protect the State and the people against terrorism in all its forms.

Crime

To combat serious crime, in particular organised crime.

Policing Communities

To achieve the maximum levels of safety for local communities and to provide a community policing service which meets the demands of the public.

Roads Policing

To police the roads, in particular to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries arising from collisions.

Efficient use of resources

To promote efficiencies in resource allocation and deployment so as to enhance the policing service to the public.

Victims of Crime

To support and protect all victims of crime and treat them with dignity. To keep all victims of crime informed about the progress of their cases and bring offenders to justice promptly.

Human Trafficking

To prevent and detect human trafficking.

Ensuring our Nation's Security

Ensuring our national security is a core commitment for An Garda Síochána. This goal demonstrates our unwavering focus on guarding national security and in playing an active role in strengthening international security. We are fully committed to maintaining a secure nation for all our communities

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Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Identify and analyse the threats to the State emanating from terrorist and extremist groups and take appropriate action	A heightened awareness of the threats posed by subversive groups, including a targeted approach to identifying and monitoring individuals involved in subversive activity	No terrorist attacks occurring within the Division Intelligence led operations targeted at groups and individuals involved in subversive and terrorist activity	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	
	Continuing to develop our intelligence gathering and analysis capability Prioritising the deployment of	Enhanced intelligence gathering Operations targeted at associations between subversive, terrorist and organised crime gangs	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	A secure nation
Disrupt the connection between organised crime gangs and subversive/terrorist groups	resources in support of national security operations Reviewing measures in place to		Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	
Continue to develop the crisis incident management capability in relation to tiger kidnappings, hostage negotiation and barricade incidents	secure and protect all vital installations, including Ireland west Airport, I.I.E., Kilkelly and the Corrib Gas Refinery. Airports Utilising all available legislation and specialist assistance within the organisation to target groups and individuals involved in subversive, terrorist and serious criminal activity	Continued implementation of the flexible Garda Operation for the Corrib Gas Operation	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	An active role in enhancing national security
Maintain and develop Mayo Divisional Major Emergency Plan	Adhere to international good practice Review and update of Major Emergency Plan in conjunction with other Principal Response Agencies as set out in the National Framework Document Conducting critical infrastructure audits	Test the various elements of the Major Emergency Plan by regular risk assessments and exercises. Continuous review and updating of Major Emergency Plan	Superintendent M. Murray	

Confronting Crime

In achieving this goal, An Garda Síochána will continue to confront crime in all its forms. Our aim, in reducing crime and the fear of crime, is to ensure that people feel safe in their homes and in their communities

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Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Tackle organised crime by: Continuing to target organised crime gangs Identifying and targeting human trafficking networks Proactively targeting drug trafficking, and low level street dealing Identifying and targeting assets which are the proceeds of crime	 Developing our intelligence gathering capability to tackle organised crime gangs The continued deployment of dedicated armed patrols both locally and nationally to disrupt the activities of criminal gangs * The full utilisation of the Garda Síochána Analysis Service (GSAS) in identifying trends and suspects The full utilisation of all available legislation 	Number of investigation files in relation to organised criminal activity (Criminal Justice (Amendment) Act 2009) forwarded to Director of Public Prosecutions Levels of activity against organised crime groups Intelligence reports relating to organised crime	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	Reduced crime and the fear of crime
Target crimes against the person and high volume property crime, including: Crimes involving prohibited weapons Domestic violence incidents Crimes of a sexual nature Support and protect child victims	 The effective use of intelligence-led briefings Joint operations in partnership with Customs and Revenue Officials and other relevant agencies Developing and implementing targeted operations aimed at street level drug dealing A proactive approach to targeting of 'Grow Houses' Implementing actions appropriate to An Garda Síochána as set out in the National Action Plan to Prevent and Combat the Trafficking of Human beings in Ireland 2009-2012 	Intelligence led operations against groups and individuals involved in the operation of 'Grow Houses'	Each District Officer, Detective Inspector, & Sergeant I/C Divisional Drugs Unit	
Deliver appropriate training in the management and investigation of crime.	 Actively engaging with the community and relevant stakeholders in the prevention and reduction of crime The effective use of intelligence-led briefings Ongoing consultation with all relevant agencies to enhance services provided to victims of sexual abuse and domestic violence 	Property crime and crimes against the person reduced and sources & quality of intelligence enhanced in the Mayo Division	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	Reduced crime and the fear of crime

Enhance organisational capability in managing the risks associated with sex offenders	 Implementation of Divisional Crime Reduction Strategy with the main focus on property crime and crimes against the person Increased crime prevention and reduction activities and increased detections Increased use of the AFIS system by fingerprinting all arrested persons in line with current legislation Increased use of Section 28 Criminal Justice Act 1984 Effective use of available resources. Active engagement with the community to deal with the threat posed by crime Working in partnership with relevant stakeholders and providing investigative support where 	Increased detections for property related crime Increased detections for crimes against the person	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector Each District Officer & Detective Inspector	
orionaers —	 appropriate Consultation with key stakeholders, and relevant agencies, to enhance the services provided to the victims of domestic violence and sexual crimes 	Risk assessment completed in relation to all persons subject to the provisions of the Sexual Offenders Act 2001 Number of 'HSE Notification Actions' in relation to crimes against children	Each District Officer & Inspector M. Byrne	Reduced crime and the fear of crime
	Continue to monitor all persons who are subject to the provisions of the Sex Offenders Act 2001.	All persons subject to the provisions of the Sexual Offenders Act 2001 risk assessed	Each District Officer	

Effective Roads Policing

An Garda Síochána is committed to making our roads safer and improving the behaviour of all road users. We are dedicated to achieving a reduction in the incidence of fatal and serious collisions on our roads during the lifetime of this Strategy.

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Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
	Continuing to deliver high visibility enforcement by targeting dangerous road user behavior through: • Utilisation of available information to identify priority times and locations for enforcement • Full utilisation of detection equipment and enabling technology Multi-unit, multi-agency checkpoints to improve cooperation and coordination between units and other agencies Enhanced capability in the detection of drug driving Continue to educate young drivers in relation to road safety and include traffic awareness on all Schools Programmes Each Divisional Officer to devise a Casualty Reduction Strategy with the overall objective of reducing fatal and serious injury collisions Denying the use of our roads for criminal activity by: • Intelligence led roads policing operations based on local intelligence • Increasing levels and quality of intelligence • The provision of appropriate resources and training to ensure effective roads policing	3	Each District Officer & Inspector M. Byrne Each District Officer & Inspector M. Byrne	
Increase roads policing capability in An Garda Síochána to deny the use of our roads for criminal activity	training to ensure effective roads policing The continued development of ANPR The development of a Criminal Interdiction Programme for An Garda Síochána	Reduction in Crime through joint policing strategy to incorporate District units, Traffic Corps and Crime Unit utilising ANPR system	Each District Officer & Inspector M. Byrne	

Ensuring a Peaceful Community

An Garda Síochána recognises the need to engage directly with communities to understand and respond to their concerns and to ensure a peaceful and safe environment for everyone. Working with our communities will enhance public confidence in our service by improving feelings of safety in the community.

Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Minimise the impact of public disorder, assaults and criminal damage	Through proactive analysis identify public order hotspots and deploy appropriate resources to identified areas in respect of alcohol and drug related anti-social behaviour and youth crime Providing a coordinated approach to incidents of public disorder and Anti-Social Behaviour Reducing the fear in communities caused by the incidents of antisocial behaviour by the continued use of behaviour warnings, good behaviour contracts, court orders and targeted operations Enhancing community safety through targeted high visibility patrols Full utilisation of all available legislation particularly in relation to underage drinking	Public disorder reduced Assaults reduced Criminal damage reduced Youth crime case management system introduced in each District Number of test purchase operations completed Local Public Order and anti- social behaviour black spots identified	Each District Officer Inspector J. Doherty	Safer and more peaceful local communities
Improved understanding and responsiveness to community needs.	Conducting test purchase operations to identify outlets selling and supplying alcohol to underage persons Continuing to liaise with the licensed trade and those involved in the management of the night time economy to reduce incidents of public disorder and anti-social behaviour		Each District Officer	

Working with Communities

This goal acknowledges that a community based approach is a priority for An Garda Síochána, in order to build and maintain trust and confidence in the Garda service.

We will deliver a service that recognises the diverse needs and priorities of all the people and communities in Ireland.

Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Work with and support all sections of our	Ensuring that Community policing	National Model of Community Policing	Each District	
community	is embedded in all Communities	delivered in each District	Officer.	
	Evaluating Community Alert and	Garda Diversity Strategy implemented	T / T N/	
	Neighbourhood and Coastal Watch		Inspector J. Mc Kenna	
	Strategies	Strategy for Older People implemented	Kemia	
	Implement the plan for Older	The Garda Youth and Children Strategy		
Ensure the protection of vulnerable persons and groups including Children,	People Strategy	implemented		
Older People and Diverse Communities	The development of a Youth and	Re-activation of dormant Community		
	Children Strategy for 2012 -2014	Alert / Neighbourhood & Coastal Watch		
	Implementation of the Garda	schemes		
	Diversity Strategy 2009-2012			Trust and confidence in
	District and other materials		District Officers,	the Garda service
	Playing an active role in the operation of Joint Policing	Participation in all established Joint	Castlebar, Ballina &	
	Committees (JPCs) and working in	Policing Committees in the Division and	Westport	
	partnership with community groups	agreed strategies implemented		
A partnership approach to solving				
community problems	Implementing the recommendations			
	the of JPC Survey 2009			
		Ensuring that letters 1 & 2 are issued to all		
	Implementing An Garda Síochána Victims Charter	victims of crime	Each District Officer	
	Victims Charter			
		Policy developed and implementation		
Recognising and responding to the needs	Reviewing the number of Family	commenced to enhance victim support mechanisms		
of victims of crime	Liaison Officers trained	The characters of the characte		

An Excellent Organisation

An Garda Síochána, in implementing this goal, will maintain our focus on the development of a highly professional organisation which acknowledges the contribution of its people at all levels.

We will use the resources available to us in effective and innovative ways. In developing our people to be highly motivated, we will ensure improved service to all members of the community, which will assist in achieving the policing and community centred objectives of An Garda Síochána.

Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
The continued development of an excellent organisation	The implementation of the Public Service (Croke Park) Agreement 2010-2014 The implementation of the Strategic Change Framework Identifying all training deficiencies in the Mayo Division and ensure there are sufficiently qualified personnel to meet requirements	Implement the performance management framework for An Garda Síochána when it is introduced Implement any new rostering system as agreed The implementation of appropriate reporting arrangements, where appropriate The numbers trained in the Division	Each District Officer	Highly motivated people
Maintain compliance with Human rights and legislative requirements for persons in Garda custody	Ensure there are adequate facilities for dealing with persons detained in custody	Management will inspect the facilities at frequent intervals and take appropriate action to address any shortcomings		
Enable smart processes and technologies to support frontline policing delivery	Continued implementation of the National Community Policing Model by installation of PULSE to non- networked stations	Number of additional stations networked	Each District Officer	Better service to citizens
Ensure value for money in the management of resources	Alignment of the 2011 Garda budget with the Divisional Policing Plan	Policing priorities financed within the Divisional budget		
	All major Operations costed and adhering to allocated budgets Developing the management of risk by the continued	All organisational risk registers maintained in line with organisation policy	Each District Officer	More effective use of resources
	rollout and support for organisational wide risk management	Training in the management of risk completed		orresources
Enhance our corporate commitment to the environment	Implementing the Garda Environmental and Energy Strategy	Garda Environmental and Energy Strategy implemented		

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