

An Garda Síochána



Annual Policing Plan 2013

Roscommon/Longford Division

VISION

*Excellent people delivering
policing excellence*

MISSION

Working with Communities to Protect and Serve

VALUES

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

Foreword

I am pleased to introduce An Garda Síochána's Annual Policing Plan in respect of Roscommon Longford Garda Division for 2013.

This Policing Plan sets out our policing commitments, and priorities, for 2013. **The plan outlines how An Garda Síochána in the Roscommon Longford Division intends to maintain and improve, where possible, its policing service to make our communities safer for all.** This will be achieved through four strategic goals;

- Securing Our Nation
- Proactive Policing Operations
- Ensuring Safe Communities
- Delivering a Professional Service

Every effort has been made to place the issues and priorities of the communities we serve at the centre of our ambitions for 2013.

My commitment is to maintain and strengthen the close ties that exist between An Garda Síochána in the Roscommon Longford Division and the communities throughout the Counties of Roscommon and Longford.

My primary objective is to prevent and detect crime in all its forms, to disrupt criminal activity, and to confront drug users and the suppliers of illegal drugs.

Road safety and public safety are also key objectives and every effort will be made by all Garda personnel in the Roscommon Longford Division to maintain progress in these areas.

The Garda and Civilian Personnel of the Roscommon Longford Division are committed to providing a quality efficient service to all our customers. I would welcome your views on how we can improve on the service level provided.

An Garda Síochána is undergoing significant change with a focus on achieving effectiveness and efficiencies through a programme of restructuring and reconfiguration. This will ensure we will continue to deliver policing services through the effective use of intelligence, technology and the deployment of resources to meet operational demands.

An Garda Síochána's District and Station Rationalisation Programme is outlined on Page 14. The Programme sets out the closure of a number of Garda Stations and the amalgamation of Garda Districts in the division. These changes will enable us to make the best use of resources to deliver the optimum policing service to our communities.

I am confident that with your continued support and cooperation we can meet the expectations of the varied communities and other stakeholders, in the Roscommon Longford Division.

Padraig Rattigan
Chief Superintendent

Policing Priorities for An Garda Síochána for 2013 Determined by the Minister for Justice and Equality

The Minister for Justice and Equality, under the provisions of section 20 of the Garda Síochána Act 2005, has determined the following matters as priorities for An Garda Síochána for 2013.

- **Security**
To protect the State and the people against terrorism in all its forms.
- **Crime**
To combat serious crime in all its forms, in particular violent crime, organised crime including human trafficking, and white collar crime.
- **Policing Communities**
To provide a policing service which meets the needs of local communities, tackles antisocial behaviour and burglary and supports the needs of victims of crime, treats them with dignity and keeps them informed about the progress of cases relevant to them.
- **Roads Policing**
To continue to reduce the number of deaths and serious injuries on our roads arising from collisions.
- **Domestic and Sexual Violence**
To prevent domestic, sexual and gender-based violence and to effectively tackle such violence when it occurs.
- **Efficient use of resources**
To maximise efficiencies in resource allocation and deployment of personnel, while maintaining professional policing standards across the Force.

Goal One: Securing Our Nation

Ensuring our National Security is a key priority for An Garda Síochána. We are committed to maintaining national security and will continue our role in safeguarding international security

Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Targeted operations against terrorist and extremist groups, including dissident republican	Targeting threats from terrorist, extremist and organised crime groups with links to terrorist groups	National security maintained through targeted operations	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector P. Finlay	A Secure Nation.
Targeted operations against organised criminal activity, involving terrorist groups	Targeted intelligence –led operations against known individuals and groups			
Continued exchange of information and intelligence	An Garda Síochána will work with relevant agencies to ensure that, in the event of major emergencies, the organisation has the capability to respond effectively at regional and local level	Garda major emergency plans in place and major emergency exercises conducted in Roscommon Longford division	Inspector P. Cuttle	Active Role in International Security.
Enhanced level of readiness for major emergencies	An Garda Síochána will actively manage all major emergency hazards in the Western Region	Ensure the security of Castlerea Prison in collaboration with partner agencies	Inspector D. Rock & Detective Inspector P. Finlay	

Goal Two: Proactive Policing Operations

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Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
<p>Information-led policing operations to combat crime</p> <p>Continue to target property crime and persistent offenders</p> <p>Use all available means to deny criminals the use of our roads for criminal activity</p>	<p>Intelligence-led interventions will be used to generate reductions in crime</p> <p>Target the ten most prolific offenders in each Division involved in property crime</p> <p>Target property incidents such as robberies and aggravated burglaries that use threats of violence</p> <p>The use of intelligence and technology to target and disrupt individuals and groups using the roads networks for criminal purposes</p>	<p>Reduced property crime and increased detection rates in Roscommon Longford division</p>	<p>Each District Officer & Detective Inspector P. Finlay</p>	<p>Reduced Crime</p>

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<p>Actively address all forms of Violent Crime</p> <p>Work with all our partners to help prevent and reduce the threat posed by crime</p>	<p>Continuing to work to reduce violent crime through strong enforcement and prevention strategies</p> <p>Striving to ensure that individuals feel confident that they can report sexual offences and/or domestic violence and that the organisation will pursue the investigation of these offences with vigour</p> <p>Working effectively with all relevant groups (such as Joint Policing Committees, community and businesses organisations) to prevent and reduce the threat posed by crime</p>	<p>Violent crime reduced and detections increased</p> <p>The full implementation of Garda Policy on Domestic and Sexual Violence when reviewed</p> <p>Proactive monitoring of all Sex offenders in accordance with organisational policy</p> <p>Increase feelings of safety in communities</p>	<p>Each District Officer & Detective Inspector P. Finlay</p>	<p>Reduced Crime</p>

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Target organised crime, human and drug trafficking networks	The identification and targeting of organised crime groups in each Division, whose activities have such a negative impact on communities across the country	Organised crime groups targeted and disrupted in Roscommon Longford division	Each District Officer & Detective Inspector P. Finlay	Reduced Crime
Effective targeting of the assets of those who engage in crime	Working in conjunction with relevant partner agencies and national units to identify and target the assets of those involved in crime	Targeted Asset related operations against individuals, groups or organisations engaging in crime		

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<p>Work in partnership with other agencies to successfully enforce our roads policing strategy</p> <p>Targeted traffic enforcement to reduce deaths and serious injuries on our roads and to challenge dangerous road user behaviour</p>	<p>Actions appropriate to An Garda Síochána as set out in the Government Road Safety Strategy 2013-2020 will be achieved</p> <p>Targeted enforcement, based on intelligence and analysis, as well as education and prevention programmes to reduce serious injuries and fatalities</p> <p>The development and implementation of a Roads Policing Plan</p>	<p>Actions appropriate to An Garda Síochána, as set out in the Government Road Safety Strategy 2013 – 2020 achieved</p> <p>Reduced fatalities and serious injuries in the division</p> <p>Increased compliance with Road Traffic legislation</p> <p>Roads Policing Operations Plan implemented as appropriate in the Roscommon Longford division</p>	<p>Each District Officer & Inspector P. Cuttle</p>	<p>Reduced Crime</p>

Goal Three: Ensuring Safe Communities

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Key actions	This will be achieved by	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
<p>Active community engagement to develop appropriate policing strategies that meet the needs and priorities of communities</p> <p>Support and protect vulnerable and diverse sections of our communities through community policing and proactive engagement</p> <p>Continue to support victims of crime and improve the services available to them</p> <p>Continue to foster positive relationships with children and young people to promote their personal and community safety</p>	<p>Continuing to engage with all community groups and Joint Policing Committees</p> <p>Ensuring that victims of crime are kept updated and ensuring that the best available police service is given to victims of crime</p> <p>The delivery of the Garda Schools programme and a range of other approaches to engage with young people</p>	<p>Increased feelings of safety in communities through enhanced visibility and engagement</p> <p>Increased levels of confidence and satisfaction in An Garda Síochána amongst victims of crime</p> <p>Processes in place in each District to ensure victims of crime are updated</p> <p>Enhanced engagement with children and young people</p>	<p>Each District Officer & Inspector F. Nicholson</p>	<p>Safe Homes</p>

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<p>Targeted local crime reduction and prevention initiatives</p> <p>Working in partnership, we will continue to tackle public disorder and anti social behaviour that will affect a community's quality of life</p> <p>Provision of a visible and responsive policing service</p>	<p>Developing local crime reduction programmes in conjunction with all stakeholders thereby contributing to increased feelings of safety in the community</p> <p>Working with relevant communities and business groups we will seek to continue reducing public disorder and tackle anti-social behaviour</p> <p>Using new work systems, innovative analysis and technology in order to ensure that the organisation responds as quickly as possible to emergency calls</p>	<p>Increased feelings of safety</p> <p>Reduced public order incidents</p> <p>New regional command and dispatch centre operational in Western Region</p>	<p>Each District Officer & Crime Prevention Officer</p> <p>Each District Officer & Inspector F. Nicholson</p>	<p>Safe Homes</p>

Goal Four: Delivering a Professional Service

An Garda Síochána will continue to use all available resources efficiently to ensure the delivery of a professional policing service

Key actions:	This will be achieved by:	Performance Indicators	Process Owner	Outcome
Restructure the organisation to best meet the challenges of criminal activity and public demands	As part of the restructuring of the organisation we will complete a District and Station rationalisation programme	District and Station rationalisation programme completed in the Western Region	Superintendent, Castlerea & Boyle	
Maintain and develop the knowledge and skills of our people to ensure we are capable of tackling crime and meeting the needs of our communities	An Garda Síochána will identify the development and welfare needs of our people and, where possible, deliver new and innovative approaches to meet these needs	CPD programmes developed and delivered in each Division	Inspector P. Cuttle	Best Use of Resources
Continue to enhance our organisation's performance and accountability systems	We will review the outcome of the pilot Performance, Accountability and Learning Framework and commence implementation for all members within the organisation	National implementation of the Performance and Accountability and Learning Framework commenced	Each District Officer	

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<p>Ensure Value for Money and the optimal and innovative use of resources</p>	<p>Delivery of policing in the Western Region within the Garda budget including the effective use of resources</p> <p>Proactive monitoring of all absences</p>	<p>Policing service delivered within budget</p> <p>Optimal use of resources through well targeted advanced planning and management processes</p> <p>Continued implementation of Sickness and Absence Management System (SAMS) in accordance with organisational policy</p>	<p>Each District Officer</p>	<p>Best Use of Resources</p>

Appendix A

District and Station Rationalisation

Table A - sets out details of Garda District amalgamation in so far as Roscommon Longford Division is concerned;

Division	Current Districts	New Enlarged Districts
Roscommon/ Longford	Castlerea	Castlerea
	Boyle	

Table B - lists consequential Garda District boundary realignments that will arise upon the Implementation of the District amalgamations.

Division	New Enlarged District arising from a District Amalgamation	Consequential District Boundary Realignments
Roscommon/ Longford	Castlerea	None

Table C - Six (6) Garda Station closures.

No	Division	Current District	Station
1	Roscommon/Longford	Roscommon	Ballyforan
2	Roscommon/Longford	Roscommon	Knockcroghery
3	Roscommon/Longford	Castlerea	Ballintubber
4	Roscommon/Longford	Longford	Newtowncashel
5	Roscommon/Longford	Granard	Ballinalee
6	Roscommon/Longford	Granard	Ardagh

Appendix B

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