

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council
Fermanagh and Omagh Policing and Community Safety Partnership

Minutes of the Fermanagh and Omagh Policing and Community Safety Partnership meeting held on **Tuesday 28 January 2025 at 7.00 pm** in The Townhall, Enniskillen

Present:

Councillors

Roy Crawford (Chairperson)
Keith Elliott
Noeleen Hayes
Tommy Maguire
Marty McColgan
Thomas O'Reilly
Allan Rainey

Independent Members

Miss Bernadette Lunney
(Vice Chairperson)
Miss Louise Bleakley
Mrs Bernadette McCollum
Miss Margaret McCrory
Mr Simon Wiggins

Designated Members

Chief Insp. Scott Fallis (PSNI)
Mr Alan Fleming (EANI)
Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI)
Ms Nicola McSherry (NIFRS)

Apologies:

Cllr Elaine Brough
Selina Carty (PBNI)
Mrs Siobhán Currie
Ms Sinead Dolan (YJA)
Cllr Shirley Hawkes
Donna Keenan (WHSCT)
Ryan McGee (EANI)

In attendance: Carol Follis (PCSP Manager) and Leanne Burns (PCSP Project Assistant).

PCSP 65/24

Welcome and Apologies

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the meeting and noted apologies.

PCSP 66/24

Declarations of Interest

The Chairperson read out the Conflicts of Interest statement and no declarations of interest were declared.

PCSP 67/24

Notification of A.O.B

1. Update from NIFRS
2. Independent Member reserve list
3. Visit to YJA
4. Members Social event

PCSP 68/24

Minutes

The minutes of the PCSP meeting held on 26 November 2024 were considered and approved by Members.

Proposed by Cllr Allan Rainey, seconded by Cllr Noeleen Hayes.

PCSP 69/24

Matters Arising

Due to time constraints from previous PCSP meetings, the following matters arising to be moved to a future PCSP Meeting. PCSP Manager Carol Follis thanked Members for their understanding.

1. PCSP 09/24: Speed Indicator Devices (SID's)
2. PCSP 44/24: EANI Activity Report
3. PCSP 49/24: Neighbourhood Watch Scheme Activity
4. PCSP 48/24: Fermanagh and Omagh Multi Agency Support Hub (MASH)

PCSP 70/24

PSNI Local Policing Plan

Chief Insp. Scott Fallis (PSNI) presented the Local Policing Plan 2025-2026 and following the presentation received questions from Members.

Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI) gave an update to Members on the current PSNI Recruitment Campaign and is currently engaging with ethnic minority groups in the district to promote the campaign.

Recommended:

- Cllr Noeleen Hayes to forward details of Erne Chinese Group to Chief Insp. Scott Fallis (PSNI).

PCSP 71/24

Workshop re Strategic Assessment and 2025-2026 Action Plan

During the meeting Members reconvened the Action planning workshop from November PCSP meeting.

PCSP Manager Carol Follis sought retrospective approval from Members for the inclusion of a small grants programme, total figure of which to be approved during the workshop.

Proposed by Cllr Thomas O'Reilly, seconded by Simon Wiggins.

Recommended:

- PCSP Small Grants to be included in the 2025-2026 Action Plan and included in the suite of funding to be rolled out by the Council February 2025.

PCSP 72/24

A.O.B.

1. Nicola McSherry (NIFRS) updated Members on the current NIFRS recruitment campaign for On-call Firefighters, open nights will be held in local stations throughout the district.

2. Nicola McSherry (NIFRS) provided an update on a query raised by Cllr Keith Elliott at a previous PCSP meeting regarding how NIFRS prioritise flooding incidents.

NIFRS will respond to flooding incidents where it is deemed there is a 'risk to life'. In non-life risk situations NIFRS will not be committing resources and would encourage residents in high risk flood areas to work with relevant agencies to prevent re-occurrence and prepare in advance.

3. Chief Insp. Scott Fallis updated Members on the stop and search powers and requested Members to seek feedback from their communities. After discussion, members queried what the exact figures were for the area.

4. Cllr Thomas O'Reilly sought an update from PSNI on Omagh custody suite opening following refurbishment. Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI) advised that a preliminary date of 02 October 2025 has been given.

5. PCSP Manager Carol Follis updated Members on the following:

- Recruitment of reserve PCSP Independent Members is now complete.
- Reminder of the forthcoming Youth Justice Agency (YJA) visit on the 24 February.
- Following feedback from Members a PCSP Members social event is scheduled for 20 March 2025 to allow Members to network outside of PCSP activity.

Recommended:

- NIFRS to share details of recruitment campaign and open nights with PCSP.
- Chief Insp Scott Fallis (PSNI) to provide figures on stop and search incidents within the district at the next PCSP Meeting.
- PCSP to issue invites for YJA visit and PCSP social event.

PCSP 73/24

Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the PCSP will be held on **Tuesday 25 February 2025 Townhall, Enniskillen at 7 pm.**

PCSP 74/24

RISING:

The meeting began at 7.03pm.

All Members were present for the remaining duration of the meeting with the exception of Cllr Marty McColgan who left at 07.45pm. Cllr Tommy Maguire left at 08.50pm, returning again at 09.11pm

The Committee rose at 09.25pm.