

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

Policing Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Fermanagh and Omagh Policing and Community Safety Partnership
Policing Committee meeting held on 25 November 2025, The Grange, Omagh.

Present:

Councillors

Thomas O'Reilly (Chairperson)
Roy Crawford
Aaron Elliott
Shirley Hawkes
Tommy Maguire
Allan Rainey

Independent Members

Miss Bernadette Lunney
(Vice Chairperson)
Mrs Jenny Ferguson
Mrs Bernadette McCollum
Miss Margaret McCrory
Mr Simon Wiggins

Designated Members

Chief Inspector Graham Dodds (PSNI)
Mr Colum Duffy (PBNI)
Chief Insp. Scott Fallis (PSNI)
Mr Ryan McGee (EANI)
Mr Peter Melarkey (NIFRS)

Apologies:

Miss Louise Bleakley
Seamus Bradley (NIFRS)
Cllr Elaine Brough
Mrs Siobhán Currie
Ms Jacqueline Doherty (WHSCT)
Ms Sinead Dolan (YJA)

Ms Carol Follis (PCSP)
Ms Helen Hicks (NIHE)
Ms Donna Keenan (WHSCT)
Cllr Marty McColgan
Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI)
Mrs Pauline Treacy

**In
attendance:**

PCSP Team Leader Greg McMullan
PCSP Project Assistant Leanne Burns
Dr Kate Lavery, NIPB Partnership Committee Vice Chair
Mr Michael McAvoy, DOJ Head of Community Safety Division
Mr Barry Eaton, Community Safety Coordinator, Monaghan County Council

PC 14/25

Welcome and Apologies

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the meeting and noted apologies.

The Chairperson extended a welcome to guests.

- Kate Lavery, NIPB Partnership Committee Vice Chair
- Michael McAvoy, DOJ Head of Community Safety Division
- Barry Eaton, Community Safety Coordinator, Monaghan County Council.

The Chairperson read out a statement from PCSP Manager Carol Follis, informing members that she has taken up a temporary role as part of a three-year secondment to the PEACEPLUS-funded RESTART programme. She advised that her substantive post is currently being recruited and that all interim PCSP queries should be directed to Greg.

The Chairperson thanked Carol for her contribution to the PCSP since 2016 and wished her well in her new role, noting that they look forward to the possibility of working with her again in the future.

PC 03/25

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

PC 04/25

Notification of AOB

None.

PC 05/25

Minutes

The minutes of the Policing Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 24 June 2025** were considered and approved.

Proposed by Cllr Allan Rainey and seconded by Bernie McCollum.

PC 06/25

Matters Arising

10/25 - Local Policing Plan 2024-2025

- That PSNI will present figures on damage to Dual Language signage at the next meeting.

Since the last meeting Chief Inspector Graham Dodds has forwarded the requested figures to PCSP Team Leader Greg McMullan.

Recommended:

PCSP Team Leader Greg McMullan to share the figures with all Members.

PC07/25

Road Safety Presentation

PCSP Team Leader Greg McMullan delivered a presentation to Members on the PCSP's ongoing collaboration with partner agencies to raise awareness of road safety, highlighting recent Road Safety Week activities. He also advised that Emergency Services Day will take place on 19 July 2026 at the RNLI Headquarters in Killadeas, Irvinestown.

Members received an update on the Speed Indicator Devices (S.I.D.s) and the Virtual Reality (VR) Meta headsets that have been acquired to replace the Crash Car Simulator, which is approaching the end of its service life. The VR headsets are currently in the commissioning stage and will be used in partnership with other agencies to support public road safety education.

- PC 08/25 **Questions from Members of the Public**
No questions were received.
- PC 09/25 **Members' Questions**
No questions were received.
- PC 10/25 **Six-Month Report on the Delivery of the Local Policing Plan**
Chief Inspector Graham Dodds delivered a presentation to Members detailing the six-month update on the delivery of the Local Policing Plan 2025/2026.
Chief Inspector Dodds also updated Members on the retirement of Chief Superintendent Robert McGowan and that temporary Chief Superintendent Peter Cunningham had been appointed and will take up post in due course.
Members were advised of the continued rise in road traffic collisions and associated fatalities. There was agreement that road safety will remain a high priority, with education from an early age being key. Peter Melarkey (NIFRS) highlighted the ongoing work of Road Safe NI Charity and The Road Safety Partnership in this area.
- Ryan Magee (EANI) suggested incorporating road safety education into the action plan for EA Youth Centres and requested police support in this initiative.
- Recommended:**
Chief Inspector Dodds, Peter Melarkey, and Ryan Magee to collaborate on developing the inclusion of road safety education within EA Youth Centres across the district.
- PC 11/25 **A.O.B**
Michael McAvoy conveyed his best wishes to PCSP Manager Carol Follis in her new role. He acknowledged her time with the PCSP and noted the high level of commitment she consistently demonstrated, particularly in coordinating effective working relationships with partner agencies.
- PC 12/25 **Rising**
The Committee rose at 8.41pm.
All Members were present for the duration of the meeting with the exception of Peter Melarkey who left the meeting at 8.00pm and Colum Duffy who left at 8.20pm.
- PC 13/25 **Date/time of next meeting**
The next Policing Committee Meeting will take place on Tuesday 26 January 2026 at The Grange, Omagh.