

**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 22 October 2024 in The Townhall, Enniskillen.

**Present:**

**Councillors**

Roy Crawford  
(PCSP Chairperson)  
Elaine Brough  
Shirley Hawkes  
Noeleen Hayes  
Tommy Maguire  
Thomas O'Reilly

**Independent Members**

Miss Bernadette Lunney  
(Vice Chairperson)  
Miss Louise Bleakley  
Mrs Siobhán Currie  
Mrs Jenny Ferguson  
Miss Margaret McCrory  
Mr Paul Stevenson  
Mrs Pauline Treacy  
Mr Simon Wiggins

**Designated Members**

Ms Judy Brady (PBNI)  
Ms Selina Carty (PBNI)  
Ms Jacqueline Doherty (WHSCT)  
Ms Sinead Dolan (YJA)  
Chief Insp. Scott Fallis (PSNI)  
Ms Helen Hicks (NIHE)  
Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI)  
Mr Peter Melarkey (NIFRS)

**Apologies**

Cllr Shirley Hawkes  
Ms Sinead Dolan (YJA)  
Ms Donna Keenan (WHSCT)  
Mr Ryan McGee (EANI)  
Ms Nicola McSherry (NIFRS)  
Greg Mc Mullan (PCSP Team Leader)

**In**

**attendance:**

Carol Follis (PCSP Manager)  
Leanne Burns (PCSP Project Assistant)

PC 12/24

**Welcome and Apologies**

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the meeting, apologies were noted.

PC 12/24

**Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were declared.

PC 14/24

**Notification of AOB**

1 Item.

PC 15/24

**Minutes**

The minutes of the Policing Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 21 May 2024** were considered and approved.

Proposed by Cllr Shirley Hawkes and seconded by Cllr Tommy Maguire.

PC 16/24      **Matters Arising**

1 Item

PC 17/24      **Questions from Members of the Public**

No questions were received.

PC 18/24      **Members' Questions**

No questions were received.

PC 19/24      **Community Engagement Projects**

Members were provided with an update on the delivery of Community Engagement Project – Community Cash Marketplace.

Due to the low number of applicants for the Community Cash Marketplace it was decided that it was not viable to proceed.

Following discussions among the members, it was unanimously agreed that, due to the limitations regarding the initiation of another grant call or project delivery, the budget for the Community Cash Marketplace would be redirected to support awareness initiatives related to Domestic and Sexual Violence which they feel is a priority area.

Members concurred that a more timely and strategic approach to funding allocation is necessary, enabling better planning and execution of projects.

**Recommended:**

PCSP Manager Carol Follis to consult with Fermanagh & Omagh Women's Aid on how funding will be allocated via SLA and present at the next meeting of the PCSP.

Proposed by Cllr Thomas O'Reilly, seconded by Cllr Tommy Maguire.

PC 20/24      **Six month report on the delivery of the Local Policing Plan**

To receive a report on the delivery of the Local Policing April – September 2024.

Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI) updated Members on the Local Policing Plan for G District.

Keys points noted:

- The success of rural crime engagement projects and thanked Crime Prevention Officer Joe Keys for his continued community engagement work.
- Satisfaction rates and 10 updates once a crime has been reported is currently 97.8% highest level compared to service wide area.

- Outcome rates have increased with G District now outperforming other districts with potentially the highest clearance rates in the United Kingdom.
- Noted the success of Neighbourhood Watch and reaccreditation of schemes.
- The success of the PSNI work experience programme and youth engagement work with local partner Blue Green Yonder.
- Rise in fatal Road Traffic Collision (RTC's) is a huge concern and will be focusing efforts on safety and drink/drug driving coming into the holiday period.

Superintendent Robert McGowan (PSNI) also updated Members on the refurbishment of Omagh Custody suite which has been delayed however is ongoing with no clear date as yet for completion.

PC 21/24

**Northern Ireland Draft Policing Plan 2025-2030**

Chief Insp. Scott Fallis updated Members on the draft policing plan that is currently out for consultation and encouraged members to engage and promote in their communities.

**Recommended:**

A response is drafted to NI Policing Plan with approval from PCSP Chair

PC 22/24

**Member Consultation re PCSP Strategic Assessment April 2025 – March 2028**

PCSP Manager Carol Follis updated Members on the Strategic Assessment which will be sent out to Members.

Two workshops will be arranged in due course and encouraged as many Members as possible to participate, bringing along ideas from their communities.

**Recommended:**

PCSP Strategic Assessment April 2025 – March 2028 to be shared with Members

The agenda for the next PCSP meeting to be amended to discuss the PCSP Strategic Assessment 2025 - 2028

Proposed by Bernie Lunney, seconded by Cllr Thomas O'Reilly

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**A.O.B**

1. Community Safety Survey has been completed.
2. Souls of Our Shoes exhibition will take place Enniskillen Library Saturday 23 November - Saturday 07 December.  
**Recommended:** Invitation to be issued to Members.
3. ASCERT Substance Misuse Awareness training: Taking place Wednesday 20 November 2024 in the Silverbirch hotel business suite.

This training is specifically for PCSP members and will commence at 7.00pm, lasting approximately 3 hours.

**Recommended: Invitation to be issued to Members**

4. Claims on Tech One: Members were reminded on the procedure for claiming travel and allowances on Tech One.

PC 24/24

**Rising**

The Committee rose at 9.05pm.

All Members were present for the duration of the meeting with the exception of Jacqueline Doherty (arriving 7.50pm)

PC 25/24

**Date/time of next meeting**

The next Policing Committee Meeting will take place 08 December 2024, Townhall, Enniskillen.