DMR North - Fingal Area JPC Sub Committee - Garda Report



Garda Síochána Act 2005 – Joint Policing Guidelines 15.9

The following is compiled by way of general information, for the period under review, as per regulation 17.6, in accordance with the headings specified in that regulation, (1) Commission of Crime and (2) Crime Prevention matters.

Garda Station / (Sub)District

Swords/Malahide

Period

2015/2016

Superintendent

Gerard Donnelly

Date of JPC Meeting 17/02/2017

Reports Of	2015	2016	Change	Detection Rate 2015	Detection Rate 2016	Comments
Assault Causing Harm	M – 10 S - 45	M – 9 S - 38	M (-10%) S (-15%)	M 60% S 40%	M 11% S 26%	
Assault Minor	M – 11 S - 115	M – 9 S - 126	M (-18%) S (+9%)	M 27% S 31%	M 22% S 17%	
Aggravated Burglary	M – 1 S - 4	M – 3 S - 1	M (+200%) S (-75%)	M 0% S 0%	M 66% S 0%	Suspects arrested in 2 of the incidents in Malahide.
Burglary	M – 155 S - 267	M – 148 S - 233	M (-4%) S (-12%)	M 4% S 5%	M 8% S 8%	Reduction in figures. Recent increases in western side of Swords.
Criminal Damage	M – 128 S - 319	C 211	M (-40%) S (-33%)	M 8% S 17%	M 10% S 18%	Significant decrease in this area, Car Parks/Housing Estates are targeted areas
Discharge of Firearm	$\begin{array}{c} M-0 \\ S-0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} M-0 \\ S-0 \end{array}$	M n/a S n/a	M n/a S n/a	M n/a S n/a	
Robbery from Person	M – 3 S - 16	M – 5 S - 18	M (+66%) S (+12%)	M 33% S 25%	M 80% S 38%	iPhones and cash are still target items. Positive increase in detection rates in 2016.
Robbery from Establishments	M – 2 S - 20	M – 3 S - 11	M (+50%) S (-45%)	M 100% S 40%	M 66% S 36%	Pharmacies and Petrol stations are targets. Also recent robberies at Bouchon Jewellers in Malahide - Significant investigation ongoing.
Theft from the Person	M-7 S-26	$\begin{array}{c} M-3 \\ S-24 \end{array}$	M (-57%) S (-7%)	M 0% S 3%	M 0% S 16%	iPhones, cash, wallets and handbags.
Theft from MPV	M – 173 S - 274	M – 105 S - 177	M (-39%) S (-35%)	M 1% S 3%	M 4% S 7%	Car Parks are targeted areas (in residential areas a large of number of cars not locked at night (Malahide in particular)
Theft from Shop			M (-2%) S (-16%)	M 55% S 82%	M 35% S 81%	Large amount of retail outlets in the Fingal area, detection rates are high
Theft (Other)			M (-22%) S (-36%)	M 4% S 23%	M 10% S 19%	Drive Off's at petrol stations account for many of these types of thefts
UT of Vehicle		M – 39 S - 64	M (-4%) S (-48%)	M 9% S 10%	M 5% S 9%	Significant decrease - unlocked vehicles are still an easy target
Fraud / Deception	M – 18 S - 48		M (-22%) S (+39%)	M 5% S 37%	M 14% S 8%	Skimmed and Stolen Card Details

Public Order Incidents			M (-3%) S (-22%)			Includes different facets of Public Order, Demonstrations, Trespassing, Drunkenness etc
Domestic Violence incidents (including breaches of Orders)	M - 52 S - 152	M – 69 S - 192	M (+24%) S (+20%)	N/A	N/A	Most cases are verbal arguments where no offence is disclosed. Advice is provided to parties involved. A call back is completed to ensure no underlying issues.

Garda Patrol Activity	2015	2016	Change	Detection Rate 2015	Detection Rate 2016	Comments
Possession of Firearm	$\begin{array}{c} M-0 \\ S-2 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} M-0 \\ S-0 \end{array}$	n/a	M n/a S 100%	M n/a S n/a	2015 – found to be a toy gun
Possession of Drugs for Sale or Supply	M – 5 S - 32	M – 4 S - 29	M (-20%) S (-9%)	M 100% S 100%	M 100% S 100%	Increase in searches has led to an increase in detections in personal and sale and supply of drugs and less getting out into the public domain
Possession of Drugs for Personal Use	M – 45 S - 193	M – 26 S - 189	1-/170/21	M 100% S 97%	M 88% S 91%	
Possession of Offensive Weapon	M – 6 S - 23	M – 3 S - 17	M (-50%) S (-26%)	M 100% S 91%	M 75% S 94%	Significant decrease in possession of knives/weapons
Searches under Drugs Act	M – 124 S - 713	M – 135 S - 773	-	n/a	n/a	
Vehicle Seizures Sec 41	M – 32 S - 485		M (+28%) S (+3%)	n/a	n/a	Seen as a positive in proactively policing road crime

National Crime Prevention & Reduction Campaign of 2017 entitled "Streetwise" will commence in March 2017. The following local initiatives will take place.

1st -6th March 2017.

Crime Prevention advice/talk to seniors in Donabate/Portrane area.

Crime prevention advice to pharmacists in the Swords Main Street/Pavilions Shopping Centre area.

Crime prevention advice to shopkeepers in Rivervalley area.

7th -12th March 2017

Talk on knife crime to transition year students in Fingallians Secondary school.

Talk on personal safety/respect to community to 2nd year students Donabate Community College.

Distribute crime prevention literature to seniors at post office Swords Central.

13th -20th March 2017

Crime Prevention Matters and Other Information

Sergeant Ferguson & 3 allocated members. Call to all off licences and as many public houses as possible in the district and offer advice re forthcoming St. Patrick's Day Festivities, i.e prevention of sale to underage patrons, ensuring enough PSA certified personnel working on day, ensuring appropriate arrangements re cash lodgements etc.

Crime Information display stand at Donabate Train Station, 2 evenings to be decided.

Crime prevention pedal cycle beat in Donabate (targeting and providing literature to patrons of car parks on New Road, The Tower Portrane, Newbridge Demesne).

21st – 26th March 2017

Sergeant Ferguson & 3 allocated members. To call to all retailers in Pavilions Shopping Centre and offer advice where appropriate/requested.

Target shoppers using the Pavilions Shopping Centre car parks re thefts from MPV's, theft from the person etc.

26th – 31st March 2017

Proactive foot and pedal cycle patrols of Airside Retail Park to prevent thefts from MPV's. Assessment of previous week's operations and repeat of any one which proved particularly successful.

It should be noted that in any reference to statistics, those statistics are provisional, operational, liable to change and some possibly re-classified with the introduction of Central Statistics Office reports.

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