

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT POLICING SUB COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF CAPPAMORE-KILMALLOCK HELD IN ÁRAS MAINCHÍN SEOIGHE, MILLMOUNT, KILMALLOCK, CO. LIMERICK, ON WEDNESDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 2018, AT 3.00 P.M.**

**PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:**

Councillor E. Ryan, An Cathaoirleach.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors Donegan, Gleeson, Mitchell, O'Donnell, Sheehy and Teefy.

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Director Support Services-Finance, Corporate, HR & ICT (Mr S. Coughlan), Meetings Administrator (Mr. M. Leahy). A/Senior Executive Engineer Cappamore-Kilmallock (Mr. B. Murphy).

Also in attendance: Superintendent An Garda Síochána Mr. Brian Sugrue and Public Participation Network (PPN) Nominee Mr. Thomas O'Dwyer.

**1. Adoption of Minutes**

Circulated, copy of draft Minutes of the Joint Policing Sub-Committee Meeting of the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock held on the 20th September, 2018.

Proposed by Councillor Gleeson;  
Seconded by Councillor Donegan;  
And Resolved:

“That, the draft Minutes, as circulated, be taken as read and adopted and signed.”

**2. Policing Issues in the District**

Superintendent Sugrue gave an update on policing issues within the District and he outlined some crime statistics in relation to reported criminal activity to date in 2018 in the Bruff Garda District. He confirmed that, overall, that there had been no major changes in crime statistics in comparison with the same period in 2017 but did confirm that there had been a slight increase in thefts from cars. The Superintendent stressed the importance of members of the public ensuring that their vehicles were securely locked at all times and that no property should be left on display in cars.

The Superintendent referred to increased liaison between An Garda Síochána and Limerick City & County Council whereby Exclusion Orders had been served on tenants of local authority housing under Housing Legislation. He confirmed that this was an important measure in dealing with individuals who were residing in a local authority tenancy and who were involved in anti-social behaviour within the local community.

He confirmed that Sgt Ted O’Riordan had been appointed as a Detective Sergeant in the Bruff District and that this was the first time that a Detective Sergeant was appointed in the Bruff District. He also confirmed that Sgt Tadhg Reeves had been appointed to the District, along with Garda Trevor McGrath.

The Members welcomed the update on crime statistics and the new appointments to the District. They also welcomed the appointment of the first Detective Sergeant in the Bruff District, which they noted was a milestone for the District. The Members acknowledged the fact that there was increased co-operation between the Gardai and Limerick City & County Council in tackling problematic tenants in local authority housing. The Members also welcomed the fact that, under the Councils 2019 Budget, that additional funding was being provided for extra tenancy enforcement staff to work in the area of social housing tenancy support and enforcement.

The Members referred to the problems with break-ins to cars and especially when this occurred at graveyards or during mass times, etc. when people were especially vulnerable. The Members agreed that ongoing vigilance was needed to deal with this issue and the importance of improved contacts between those communities and An Garda Síochána.

The Members acknowledged the overall work done by An Garda Síochána in the District and they congratulated Garda Kieran Lees from Caherconlish Garda Station who was part of the Garda team that came fourth in the European Police Championship Marathon which was held in Dublin in October, 2018. They also congratulated Garda John Hennessy, who is from Kilmallock, but based in Tipperary Town, who was being presented with a Municipal District award later that evening in recognition of the two National Bravery Awards he had received because of his work with An Garda Síochána.

The Members also referred to issues in relation to the speed of traffic, especially in towns and villages in the Municipal District area. The Superintendent confirmed that he would advise the Garda Traffic Corps if a particular area of the District was identified by the Members as requiring additional enforcement measures.

This concluded the Meeting.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Cathaoirleach**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_