

Meeting 11: 23rd September 2022 in The Red Door Project

An Garda Siochána Drogheda Division are allocating resources to the delivery of 'See Something Say Something' which will be rolled out in the coming months. A number of other community safety initiatives are being developed to deliver in tandem with this, it was resolved to develop a communications plan to ensure the public are made aware of these initiatives when they are implemented.

The announcement of capital investment in DIFE for Sports & Community Hub and Tertiary Education block by Minister Simon Harris was welcomed and noted as a significant input to actions 4.4 and 6.4 of the Drogheda Report Implementation Plan.

The board welcomed the securing of resources by LMETB from Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth for a Youth Officer post in Drogheda in response to a number of actions in the Plan and it was noted that post has already been filled.

Having considered methodologies for delivery, the Board resolved to roll out Community Crime Impact Assessments in Drogheda in accordance with actions 2.11 and 4.8; a procurement process to identify a community-based organisation to facilitate will commence in the coming weeks.

The Family Support, Children, Young People and Education subgroup have completed service audit as per action 5.2 of the Plan and are identifying priority areas to focus on. This audit reinforces a gap in mental health/counselling services as identified in both the Drogheda Report and Implementation Plan and the subgroup have resolved to meet with key stakeholders to progress same.

A number of positive developments under sections 9 (Local Infrastructure and Assets) and 10 (Employment, Enterprise and Development) of the Plan were noted, including Louth local authority progression of the Port Access Northern Cross Route (PANCR); progress on a three year Urban Animation festival for Hallowe'en starting this year; and the #LookingGoodDrogheda collaboration between Drogheda Chamber, Drogheda BIDs, Louth County Council, the Mayor and Drogheda Tidy Towns.