



Clare County  
Joint Policing Committee  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
Chief Superintendent Sean Colleran



# AN GARDA SÍOCHÁNA STRATEGY 2019 - 2021



Transforming our Service



Our People - Our Greatest Resource



A Secure Ireland



A Human Rights Foundation



Community Policing



Protecting People

## KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE



# Year on Year Comparison

Clare Division	January to April			
	2021	2022	Difference	% Difference
<b>Property Crime</b>				
Burglary / Buirgléireacht	29	55	26	+90%
Theft from M.P.V. / Goid as Feithicil	86	29	-57	-66%
Theft from Shop / Goid as Siopa	55	113	58	+105%
Theft Other / Goid Eile	53	56	3	+6%
<b>Drugs / Drugaí</b>				
For Sale or Supply / Le díol nó soláthar	30	15	-15	-50%
Simple Possession / Seilbh Shimplí	61	53	-8	-13%



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Road Accidents / Statisticí Timpistí Bóthair				
Fatal / Marfach	< 10	< 10	---	---
Serious Injury / Gortú Tromchúiseach	< 10	< 10	---	---
Speeding FCPN / Bhrostú (to 31/03/22)	1029	900	-129	-13%
No Insurance / Gan Árachas	47	45	-2	-4%
Driving under the Influence / Tiomáint faoi Thionchar	31	49	18	+58%

Note: Speeding FCPN figures are based on data from the FCPS on 01/05/2022



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<b>Public Order Incidents</b>				
Public Order Offences / Coireanna Ord Poiblí	68	74	6	+9%
<b>Assaults / Ionsaithe</b>				
Assault causing Harm / Ionsaithe ag Déanamh Dochar	17	18	1	+6%
Minor Assault / Mion-ionsaí	78	75	-3	-4%



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Domestic Incidents / Eactraí Intíre		
Breach of Barring Order, Safety Order, Protection Order / Bearnaigh d'Orda Cosanta, Orda Cosaint, Orda Sábháilte		-24%
Domestic Dispute - No Offence Disclosed		+34%



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<b>Rape &amp; Sexual Assaults / Éigniú &amp; Ionsaithe Gnéasacha</b>				
Includes Rape of Male or Female, Aggravated Sexual Assault, Sexual Assault (Not aggravated)	< 10	13	---	---



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Fraud/Economic Crime				
Fraud/Economic Crime	102	83	-19	-19%



# Snapshot of Community Engagement Initiatives March 2022 to April 2022

## GO PURPLE DAY – 29th April 2022



On the 29th April 2022 An Garda Síochána partnered with Safe Ireland to raise awareness about domestic abuse and the local domestic abuse services. Prior to the 29th April Dr. Siobhan O Connor and Sergeant Catriona Holohan participated in a live interview with Clare FM to promote the event and local services in County Clare. CLAN members were invited to Ennis Garda Station to meet Gardaí, have a cup of tea and chat about domestic abuse in County Clare. This was a fantastic opportunity for members of An Garda Síochána to meet Dr. Siobhan O Connor and Councillor Mary Howard. This event was hosted by the Community Policing Unit, Ennis.

**#GoPurple** was also celebrated at Crusheen Garda Station by Domestic Violence Liaison Sergeant, Catriona Holohan and Garda Lorraine Higgins. Crusheen Garda Station is also home to the Clare Garda Division Protective Services Unit which can be contacted on 065 6890132.

On the 29th April each Sergeant and Inspector in County Clare received a copy of the publication 'Listen, Hear, Act - Understanding and Responding to Children and Young People's Lived Experience of Domestic Abuse - County Clare Resource Pack'. This publication was created by the Clare Local Area Network Opposing Violence Against Women, an inter-agency group in County Clare chaired by Sergeant Holohan.



# Community Engagement Cont...

- Recruitment Campaign  
Stands during March 2022.
- Clare Youth Service
- Purple Flag Self-Assessment
- Teenage Discos
- School Talks
- Montessori Visits
- Sport - Clare Senior Schools  
Final, Under 17 Matches,  
Munster U19 Cup
- Ukrainian Refugee visits  
National Community
- Vigil – Fairgreen for murders  
in Sligo
- School Talks
- Purple Day for Domestic  
Violence
- Under 15 Féile Football
- Under 16 Girls Football



# Garda Station Visit, Ennis

Garda Denis Collins

## Open Day, Kilrush Garda Station



## Community Engagement Day, Ennis, April 27<sup>th</sup> 2022

Gardaí Irene O' Flynn and Lorraine Higgins





# Centenary 2022

The formation of the Civic Guards / An Garda Síochána' in February 1922 was a momentous event in the history of Ireland. Since 1922 An Garda Síochána has provided security and stability to the Irish state as a largely unarmed national civil police service.

The 9<sup>th</sup> February marked the centenary of the inaugural meeting of the foundation committee that led to the creation of the police force. Called by Michael Collins, the meeting took place at the Gresham Hotel in Dublin and among the attendees was Michael Staines TD, who would go on to become the first Garda Commissioner.

The first Civic Guards arrived in Clare on October 7<sup>th</sup> 1922 and there will be a number of events held both nationally and locally to commemorate the Centenary of An Garda Síochána.

Commemorative events and initiatives are planned for the year ahead include the presentation of a centenary service medal to all serving and retired Garda members, the publication of two books on the organisation in its first 100 years and the renovation of the Garda memorial cenotaph.

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Anyone wishing to provide information or photographs of interest of those who served in Clare can send them to [Clare.Centenary@garda.ie](mailto:Clare.Centenary@garda.ie)



## Michael Staines

Michael Staines came from Newport, Co. Mayo where his father Edward served in the Royal Irish Constabulary. He was elected to the First Dáil

Éireann in 1918, and fought during the War of Independence. At the meeting held in the Gresham Hotel on 9<sup>th</sup> February 1922 Staines was nominated by General Richard Mulcahy to be the first Commissioner of the new Civic Guards / Garda Síochána.

On the eve of his resignation he outlined his aspirations for the fledgling new police force he had briefly commanded saying; *'An Garda Síochána will succeed not by force of arms or numbers, but on their moral authority as servants of the people.'*

A century later, these inspirational words remain the foundation and ethos on which An Garda Síochána continues to operate as a modern community based police service.



# Questions

