

March 25th, 2025

Notice Of Meeting

You are requested to attend the meeting to be held on **Tuesday, 25th March 2025** at **6:00 pm**

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6pm on 27th May 2025

POLICING COMMITTEE AND POLICING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the Newry, Mourne & Down Policing Committee and Policing & Community Safety Partnership Meeting held on Tuesday 28th January 2025 at 6.00pm via MS Teams

In attendance via Teams:

Councillor T Andrews, NMDDC (Chair)
Superintendent Norman Haslett, PSNI
Chief Inspector Tori Anderson, PSNI
Chief Inspector Joe Tierney, PSNI
Inspector Kelly Gibson, PSNI
Inspector Darren Hardy, PSNI
Sergeant Ryan Duffy, PSNI
Sergeant Conor Valentine, PSNI
Sergeant Warren Roberts, PSNI
Joanne Malone, PBNI
Philip Mageean, NIFRS
Councillor D Finn, NMDDC
Councillor C Galbraith, NMDDC
Councillor H Reilly, NMDDC
Councillor D Taylor, NMDDC
Councillor A Mathers, NMDDC
Councillor D Murphy, NMDDC
Councillor K Murphy, NMDDC
Councillor A Mathers NMDDC
Councillor J Truesdale, NMDDC
Councillor O Hanlon, NMDDC
Tara Campbell, PCSP Independent Member
Niall Lawlor, PCSP Independent Member
Louise Kennedy, PCSP Independent Member
Colleen McCreesh, PCSP Independent Member
Anne Sheridan, PCSP Independent Member
Michelle Osborne, PCSP Independent Member (Vice Chair)
William Slater, PCSP Independent Member
David Vint, PCSP Independent Member
Aidan McCabe, Southern Health Trust
Michael Heaney, YJA
Aileen O Callaghan, EANI
Josephine Morgan, NIHE

Officials in attendance via Teams:

Martina Flynn, Acting Head of Engagement

Shannon Creaney, Acting Safer Communities & Good Relations
Manager
Amy McKeown, Monitoring & Evaluation Officer, PCSP and Good
Relations
Jacqueline Urey, PCSP Officer
Judith Thompson, PCSP Officer
Kaitlyn Hanna, PCSP Officer

1 Welcome, Chairperson's Remarks and Apologies

Councillor Andrews welcomed Members to the Partnership meeting.

Councillor Andrews noted that we look forward to a busy and successful year as a Partnership with a wide range of events and programmes taking place.

Councillor Andrews noted the impact that the recent Storm Eowyn has had across our District. He extended his thanks and appreciation to the Emergency Services and frontline workers for their ongoing work to support local residents during this difficult time.

Councillor Andrews advised the Partnership that Inspector Sheila Loughran would soon be retiring and extended thanks for her contribution to the PCSP in recent years.

Councillor Andrews thanked the members for completing and sharing the PCSP Members Survey and the PCSP Community Safety Survey.

Councillor Andrews advised that PCSP Financial Assistance is now open for applications until noon on 24th February 2025 and that information and guidance notes can be found on the Council website. Councillor Andrews asked Members to raise awareness of this to encourage applications from local community and voluntary groups.

Apologies were received from Alison Robb, Martin Healy and Roisin Leckey.

2 Declarations of Interest

None recorded.

3 Draft Minutes of previous PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2024

Read: Minutes of PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2024 (copy circulated).

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Truesdale, seconded by Councillor Reilly, it was agreed to approve the Minutes of the Policing Committee and PCSP Meeting held on 26 November 2024 as a true and accurate record.

4 Matters Arising

Councillor Andrews noted an item from the previous Action Sheet, where it was agreed to write to the Lady Chief Justice on behalf of the Partnership regarding the assault of a police officer. Councillor Andrews advised that a letter was sent, and a response received from the Lady Chief Justice on 8th January 2025. This response was circulated to Partnership Members.

Anne Sheridan noted that the Lady Chief Justice acknowledged the level of violence but there was a lack of committal. Louise Kennedy stated that the response is not surprising due to the law of the presumption of innocence and the right to freedom if no conviction is in place. Councillor Reilly said he felt that it was a weak response but understands that under the judicial system you are innocent until proven guilty, but voiced concerns about violent offenders who are prepared to attack police officers. Superintendent Haslett thanked the Partnership for raising the issue and advised that the officer is now back to work.

Louise Kennedy suggested that this may require a legislative change to the Bail Law and suggested that the Partnership write a letter to question the right to object to bail conditions on the grounds of safety.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Truesdale, seconded by Colleen McCreesh it was agreed to compose a letter questioning the laws of objecting to bail conditions, to the relevant body.

Policing Committee Business

5 District Commander's Report – Period 4

Read: District Commander's Report – Period 4 (copy circulated)

Superintendent Haslett provided the District Commander's Report to the Partnership, highlighting the following points:

Engagement

Superintendent Haslett advised that there are significant pressures on resources within the PSNI in the District. He advised that Neighbourhood officers are abstracted from their normal duties to support frontline PSNI response service. Mr Haslett advised that this is directly affecting officer levels of engagement. However, Superintendent Haslett

expressed that where possible, there are still significant levels of engagement by the Neighbourhood Teams. This was highlighted by examples given such as events and meetings attended by Newry City Neighbourhood Team, East Down Neighbourhood Team, South Down Neighbourhood Team and the Slieve Gullion Neighbourhood Team.

Social Media

PSNI NMD have over 75,000 followers on Facebook, over 9,000 followers on Twitter and 15,818 members on the NextDoor App. 105 posts on this app during 2024 to date.

Hate Crime

Superintendent Haslett advised that all types of hate crime have continued to reduce in Newry, Mourne and Down within the last 12 month rolling period, with the exception of racial hate crime which has increased by 4 incidents.

Anti-Social Behaviour

Superintendent Haslett stated that ASB levels in Newry, Mourne and Down have continued to remain below average for the time of year. Mr Haslett advised that there are locations with 4 or more records of ASB from December 2024 including, Merchants Quay Newry, Clanrye Avenue Newry, Newry Road Kilkeel & Kitty's Road Kilkeel. He stated that they have not seen any major peaks of hotspots for ASB in the District.

Domestic Abuse

Superintendent Haslett provided an update on domestic abuse & ending violence against women and girls and advised that these incidents continue to decrease in Newry, Mourne and Down from the last rolling 12-month period. Superintendent Haslett noted that domestic incidents have decreased by 206 incidents and domestic offences have decreased by 308 incidents. Mr Haslett stated he believes there is a greater confidence in Domestic Abuse victims reporting incidents to the PSNI, Women's Aid, Men's Advisory Project, other charities, or via a third party. Mr Haslett added that local PSNI Officers have been trained by Women's Aid to deal with Domestic Abuse incidents appropriately.

Superintendent Haslett also commented on PSNI participation in the Women's Aid led "One Stop Shop" initiative in Newry for potential domestic violence victims and advised that to date 17 women have attended this initiative. Mr Haslett also stated that Op Encompass remains active, with Police attending 308 domestic incidents where the Op Encompass criteria has been met and referring almost 600 children to schools or colleges as a result so far in the 2024/25 school year to 31st December 2024.

Road Safety

Superintendent Haslett provided an update on the number of fatalities in the Newry, Mourne and Down District due to Road Traffic Collisions, noting a total of 8 for 2024. 4 of these fatalities were pedestrians, the remaining 4 were drivers & a motorcyclist, all males of varying ages. Mr Haslett regrettably added that since the last PCSP meeting there had been 3 fatal RTCs in Newry, Mourne & Down.

Superintendent Haslett confirmed that Road Safety continues to be a priority for the PSNI. In November officers focused on the fatal 5 offences, targeting the main cause of road traffic collisions. In December, Officers focused on Operation Season's Greetings.

Superintendent Haslett stated that his officers have worked on enforcement events during this reporting period including the Cool FM Road Show in St Paul's High School, Bessbrook. Officers across the District participated in a service wide Road Safety Week, conducting anti-speeding operations, anti-drink-driving & drug driving checkpoints and liaising with pedestrians around hi-vis clothing and road safety. During the operation Mr Haslett confirmed that they had 5 road safety related arrests and a further 8 prosecution files forwarded to the PPS. Officers from Slieve Gullion Neighbourhood Teams conducted a joint operation with colleagues in An Garda Siochana's Roads Policing Unit carrying out a number of vehicle checkpoints across several border crossing points, focusing on breathalyser tests and checking vehicles for road worthiness.

Superintendent Haslett advised that during the reporting period there were 41 speeding detections, 40 detections for careless & dangerous driving, 45 arrests for drinking or drug driving and 8 detections for using a mobile phone or not using a seatbelt. Officers detected a further 47 vehicles being driven with no insurance.

During November, the Road Safety Partnership speed camera van was deployed in the District 40 times with 450 speeding detections made. In December it was deployed 33 times with 359 speeding detections.

Drugs

Superintendent Haslett informed the Partnership that in a rolling 365-day period, by the end of September 2024, 568 drug seizures and 207 drugs arrests had been made in Newry, Mourne & Down.

Superintendent Haslett advised that from 1st April 2024 to 21st January 2025 PSNI had conducted 64 inspections of 21 Rapid Bins across the District. He confirmed that almost 30,000 items have been recovered and subsequently safely disposed of.

Superintendent Haslett confirmed that during the reporting period there had been 3 drug related deaths in the District. Superintendent Haslett also advised that there had been a number of significant drug detections during the reporting period.

South Armagh Policing Review

Superintendent Haslett discussed the South Armagh Policing Review which was published in August 2021 with 50 recommendations to improve policing in the South Armagh area/ Slieve Gullion DEA. Mr Haslett advised that he has written to the PCSP Chair in respect of recommendation 46 regarding a cross-border accountability mechanism. The proposal is that, once a year, colleagues from An Garda Síochána would attend a PCSP meeting where they would do a joint presentation to the PCSP regarding cross-border policing. Likewise, PSNI would attend the equivalent Community Safety Partnership in County Louth and make a similar presentation. Mr Haslett acknowledged that this letter was now with the PCSP Chair and he would await the response.

Superintendent Haslett advised that as a temporary measure he has decided to amalgamate the two Slieve Gullion Neighbourhood Teams into one. Mr Haslett informed the Partnership that one team had 7 constables while the other team only had 4 constables. Mr Haslett reassured the Partnership that this was only a temporary measure until other officers return.

General

Superintendent Haslett stated that there has been a 16% decrease in overall crime in the District over the past year. The District clearance rate is 33% with the service average at 31%. Mr Haslett clarified that essentially 1 in every 3 victims is receiving a positive justice outcome when they report an incident to the PSNI.

Mr Haslett noted that the only crime type that increased this period was residential burglaries which increased by 11%. However, he confirmed that these levels have reduced in November and now sit at an average with a downward trend.

Superintendent Haslett noted multiple success stories regarding burglaries and arrests made in relation to these crimes during the reporting period.

Superintendent Haslett returned to the subject of assaults on police officers. In this reporting period from December to January there have been 25 separate incidents with 43 officers having been assaulted. The most serious incidents involved ramming of police vehicles, including an incident in Crossmaglen on 14 December where a Neighbourhood Team were rammed 4 times by a white VW Golf which then made its way across the border.

Superintendent Haslett advised that the PSNI are assessing their patrol strategy as a result of these incidents. Mr Haslett advised that he intends to explore Recommendation 45 of the South Armagh Policing Review which looks at hot cross-border pursuit from one jurisdiction into the other

Superintendent Haslett discussed significant incidents including an attempted murder in Downpatrick on 30th November 2024 and an aggravated burglary on 9th December.

Superintendent Haslett advised that the PSNI is currently conducting a recruitment campaign from 12th February. He stated that they require 7,000 officers and currently

they only have 6,300. This will be the first recruitment campaign since 2021. Mr Haslett asked the Partnership for any assistance possible in terms of promoting this recruitment campaign.

Superintendent Haslett thanked the Chair for his comments on Inspector Sheila Loughran's retirement and advised that he would pass the good wishes on to Sheila.

To conclude his report, Superintendent Haslett advised the Partnership about familiarisation events for Members planned for the Ardmore and Downpatrick Station. Dates will be issued to Members in due course.

Superintended Haslett concluded his report and welcomed any questions from the Partnership.

Councillor Andrews welcomed the work in the District Commander's report and opened the floor to Members.

Councillor Taylor offered his and the Partnership's condolences to those who have been affected by Road Traffic Collisions in the NMD District. Councillor Taylor thanked Superintended Haslett for his comprehensive report. Councillor Taylor expressed his concerns regarding the ramming incidents in the area and noted that he hopes to see a reduction or eradication of this type of incident. Councillor Taylor asked Superintendent Haslett if due to extremely limited resources and high pressures if the PSNI can seek resources from other PSNI Districts. Superintendent Haslett thanked Councillor Taylor for his comments and advised that other Districts face the same pressures as NMD, however, he advised that they regularly tap into PSNI Headquarters for specialist assistance e.g. Interceptors. Superintendent Haslett stated that despite pressures he acknowledges their positive clearance rate locally.

Councillor Hanlon commended all agencies for their efforts during Storm Eowyn. Councillor Hanlon shared her concerns about road safety due to debris and damage from the storm. She asked if the PSNI could convey a road safety message to slow down & take time. Councillor Hanlon stated her concerns regarding the burglaries in Downpatrick and asked if the PSNI could highlight the importance of home safety. Superintendent Haslett advised that the PSNI would share social media posts regarding this and asked the partners to reinforce this message. Councillor Hanlon noted her concerns about drug use across the District. Superintendent Haslett advised that education on drugs is key for young people.

It was agreed that the idea of replicating the 'One Stop Shop' by Women's Aid in other areas should be taken forward.

Louise Kennedy questioned the changes to how statistics are recorded by the PSNI in regards to Domestic Violence. Superintendent Haslett noted that he would get back to Mrs Kennedy with an answer regarding this. Mrs Kennedy asked Superintendent Haslett if he felt that there were less applications of non-molestation orders being received. Superintendent Haslett advised that he has not noticed a reduction in this District but advised he would look further into it and advise accordingly.

Anne Sheridan asked Superintendent Haslett what percentage of his workforce were on sick leave as a direct result of injury in the workplace and the details of long-term sickness absence. Mr Haslett advised he would revert to the Member with a response.

Councillor Galbraith raised concerns from constituents in Downpatrick regarding how easy it is to access illegal substances. Councillor Galbraith asked Superintendent Haslett what the PSNI are doing to remove drugs within the community. Mr Haslett stated that officers are visually present in the area and have a very pro-active District Support Team who develop community intelligence. He advised that this has been successful in other areas of the District but requires information and co-operation from the community so that the police can act appropriately.

Councillor Truesdale commended the PSNI report in the face of reduced resources. Councillor Truesdale condemned the ramming incidents recently in Newry & Bessbrook. Councillor Truesdale noted the impact of the recent storm on road safety, noting that hat potholes are prevalent in many areas. Councillor Truesdale also raised concerns regarding illegal taxi runs which are occurring from Newcastle to Kilkeel and that parents need to be made aware of this. Superintendent Haslett advised Sgt Conor Valentine will look into this issue. Councillor Truesdale addressed concerns about ASB in Donard Park and thanked the PSNI for attending a recent incident. Superintendent Haslett advised that PSNI resources are not the solution to this issue and urged Council to address this concern.

PCSP Business

6 PCSP Officer Report

Read: PCSP Officer Report (copy circulated)

Shannon Creaney advised that the PCSP Officer Report is for noting. Ms. Creaney added that PCSP Financial Assistance is now open for groups to apply to. Ms. Creaney advised that there is information on the Council website about this and PCSP would also have social media posts promoting this. Ms. Creaney asked Members to share these posts so that local groups are aware that Financial Assistance is open.

Ms. Creaney added that the PCSP have organised a Community Safety & Wellbeing Event on 4 March 2025 in Newry Leisure Centre. Ms. Creaney requested that Members share detail about this event on social media to ensure the public are aware.

Councillor Truesdale asked if more specific detail on locations could be provided in the Community Safety Warden report. Councillor Truesdale asked if the Wardens are collecting the geographical locations of repeated incidents. Ms. Creaney advised that the Wardens provide time stamped photos with their reports and also wear body-worn cameras to assist with recording and reporting incidents. Mrs Flynn added that Talon Security log any incidents and that there are protocols in place in terms of how these are reported. Mrs Flynn also added that the Warden reports have noted fewer incidents recently and that this is reflective of a noted decrease in ASB in some areas across the District. Mrs Flynn advised that more detail will be included in the Warden report where possible.

Councillor Reilly advised that there had recently been an increase in ASB in the Kilkeel area and that the PSNI officers brought in teams to suppress this. Councillor Reilly added that he was advised that the Community Safety Wardens may be deployed in the Kilkeel area. Councillor Reilly asked Ms. Creaney if the Wardens have any power to apprehend people if they are committing offences. Ms Creaney advised that the Wardens do not have any power in terms of arrest but instead they act as a deterrent by speaking to people and advising them about their behaviours. Ms. Creaney added that in an incident where someone would need to be apprehended the Wardens would contact the PSNI. Ms. Creaney advised that she was not aware that the Wardens had been asked to go to Kilkeel. Mrs Flynn advised that she is unsure why it would have been suggested that the Wardens would be going to Kilkeel as it is not an area that they are deployed to. She added that this can be considered if there is significant evidence of need and that PCSP rely on PSNI advising on emerging issues of areas that require focus. Mrs Flynn confirmed that the Wardens do not have any powers in terms of arrest or enforcement but that they are largely present as a deterrent and to work with young people or others to disperse ASB or potential ASB. Mrs Flynn confirmed that currently there has been no request to deploy the Wardens to the Kilkeel area.

Aileen O'Callaghan noted that the Community Safety Warden reports contain recurring references to incidents involving teenagers. She asked Mrs Flynn if the Wardens could be linked to the EA to provide information. She added that in some areas there is funded youth provision which could be utilised to provide safe spaces for young people. Ms O'Callaghan added that tailored programmes such as scooter safety could be organised to support young people. Mrs Flynn noted that linking with the EA on this would be very valuable. Mrs Flynn also added that there are incidents which may not be included in the Warden reports in order to protect the integrity of information, including where the Wardens have attended risk to life incidents.

7 ASB Sub Group Report

Read: ASB Sub Group Reports (copy circulated)

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hanlon, seconded by Anne Sheridan it was agreed the Committee:

- **Approve the report**
- **Approve the Action Sheet for the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 3rd December 2024**

Aileen O'Callaghan advised that there was an outstanding action for EA from the 8th of October meeting in regard to youth provision in the Clough area. She confirmed that she has been able to recruit a member of staff for Clough and they will be commencing post very shortly. She advised that youth provision will be resuming soon.

8 SIDs Update.

Read: SID Update Report (copy circulated)

Mrs Flynn advised that the report relates to the procurement of mobile SIDs. Mrs Flynn said that Members will be aware that the Action Sheet from the most recent SIDs Task & Finish Sub Group was approved at the November PCSP meeting. She advised that this included a recommendation that the relocation of the fixed SIDs be stalled because of the increased costs from DfI which were becoming prohibitive. Mrs Flynn advised that this process would not have been feasible within the financial year and the budget available. Mrs Flynn advised that officers have looked at what other PCSPs have done to address this issue along with liaising with colleagues in the PSNI. Based on this Mrs Flynn advised that the proposal was now for the PCSP to purchase 5 mobile SIDs at an approximate cost of £14,000. Mrs Flynn advised that there is an underspend in the Council PCSP budget due to an underspend in staff costs and emphasised that the opportunity to purchase these Signs only exists in his financial year. Mrs Flynn advised that they have been discussing the proposed terms & conditions for deployment of use with the PSNI. The PCSP would purchase the Signs and the PSNI will take ownership of them to be deployed across the District based on data from PSNI & the PCSP. PSNI have agreed to take responsibility for insurance and for downloading data and preparing reports for PCSP Members. Mrs Flynn commented that this should be considered a reasonable compromise to the issue and offers an opportunity to profile positive road safety messaging across the District.

Councillor Andrews thanked Mrs Flynn for her update and commented on the good work of the SIDs Sub Group.

Agreed: On the proposal of Councillor Hanlon, seconded by Councillor Truesdale it was agreed the Committee:

- **Approve the report**
- **Approve the procurement of 5 Mobile Speed Indicator Signs**

Councillor Oonagh Hanlon thanked Shannon Creaney & Shane McGivern for their hard work on this. She also thanked Inspector Paddy Heatley for the data that he provided to the team when making this difficult decision. Councillor Hanlon added that deciding on locations is very difficult as many areas wish to have these signs in place and that she feels that this is a great compromise as they will be rotated around the District. She added that there will be challenges in managing the distribution. She added that the relocation costs of the fixed SIDs would have taken majority of the PCSP Road Safety budget and could not have been justified.

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next PCSP & Policing Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday 25 March 2025 at 6pm.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7:28pm.

ACTION SHEET- POLICING COMMITTEE AND PCSP – 28 January 2025

AGENDA ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	Lead officer	Actions Taken/Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
4.0	Response from the Lady Chief Justice Office in relation to an assault on a female Police Officer in Newry in November 2024.	Compose a letter questioning the laws of objecting to bail conditions, to the relevant Governing Body.	S Creaney	Pending Completion – unclear which Governing Body was requested at PCSP Meeting.	N

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	25 March 2025
Subject:	PCSP Officer Report – March 2025
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-			
	For decision	For noting only	x
1.0	Purpose and Background		
1.1	Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note the report. To note the attached PCSP Officer Report. 		
1.2	Background <p>The attached report provides Members with an update on the progress of the PCSP Action Plan since the previous PCSP meeting on 28 January 2025</p>		
2.0	Key issues		
2.1	None.		
3.0	Recommendations		
3.1	That the Committee:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note the report. Note the attached PCSP Officer Report. 		

4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<p>Revenue</p> <p>All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2024/25 Action Plan</p> <p>Capital</p> <p>N/A</p>
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<p><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
5.2	<p><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p><i>Proposal initiating consultation</i></p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided) <input type="checkbox"/></p>
	<i>Rationale:</i>

6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	Appendices
7.1	Appendix I: PCSP Officer Report – March 2025
8.0	Background Documents
8.1	None.

Newry, Mourne and Down PCSP Officer Report – March 2025

The purpose of this Report is to provide an update on key activities and progress since the last PCSP meeting on 28 January 2025.

An update will also be provided on key areas which have been discussed by Members and where a more detailed update may be considered useful. During this reporting period Members should note progress in the specific areas below –

- **PCSP Action Plan 25/26 and PCSP Strategic Assessment 2025-28** – These documents were submitted to Joint Committee on the 14th of February 2025. Formal approval for the PCSP Action Plan 25/26 will be sought by Joint Committee members at the end of March.
- **PCSP Staffing Update** – Kaitlyn Hanna has recently been appointed as the PCSP Officer covering Slieve Gullion, Newry and Crotlieve DEA's. Jacki Urey remains in post covering Slieve Croob and The Mournes DEA's.

PCSP Officer Judith Thompson will be retiring from council on the 25 March 2025. We thank Judith for her contribution to the PCSP and wish her all the best in her retirement.

Martina Flynn has recently been appointed as Head of Engagement in Council.

- **PCSP Small Grants** - The PCSP Small Grants Scheme for 2025/26 closed at 12 noon on 24 February 2025. Applications are now being assessed, and a list of successful applicants will be shared with Members once Letters of Offer are issued to groups.

Overview of progress against PCSP Action Plan 2024/25

Strategic Priority 1: To ensure effective delivery in response to local need, and improve the visibility and recognition of the work of the PCSP through effective communication and engagement		
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (January – March 2025)
PCSP Delivery	Organising the work of the PCSP through appropriate structures and mechanisms	<p>PCSP Sub Groups (ASB, Bonfire and SID Sub Groups) have now been reconstituted following the reconstitution of the PCSP on 1 June 2024.</p> <p>ASB Sub Group 2 met in Newcastle on the 18 February 2025</p> <p>ASB Sub Group 1 met in Newry on the 6 March 2025.</p>
Raise awareness of PCSP	To evidence impact through increased awareness of the PCSP	<p>Continued development of PCSP social media channels (including Facebook and Twitter). PCSP staff are now responsible for managing all social media channels. Social media continues to be key to communication with local communities and the general public.</p> <p>PCSP held a Community Safety and Wellbeing Event in Newry Leisure Centre on Tuesday 4th March 2025. Over 200 members of the public were in attendance, and this included representation from 6 local secondary schools and 30 local support agencies.</p> <p>PCSP Officers have recently attended a series of events which have assisted with raising awareness of our work – these events have included attendance at the Newcastle Jobs and Benefits Centre event, the Ballynahinch Jobs and Benefits Centre Event and the Bolster Discover and Connect event in Newry,</p>

		<p>Feedback from these has been very positive and the events have also created new opportunities for partnership working.</p>
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Strategic Priority 2: To improve community safety by addressing local community safety issues, tackling crime and anti-social behaviour

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (January – March 2025)
ASB	Develop a range of diversionary youth & community engagement projects	<p>Both ASB Sub Groups continue to work to the Action Plans for their respective areas.</p> <p>In the previous 3 months, PCSP has worked in partnership with partner agencies across the Council District to address ASB issues. These included talks with the PSNI in SRC Campuses, a stall at the Education Authority LAG Health and wellbeing event, and support for the EA Youth Conference in Newcastle.</p> <p>Students from 6 local secondary schools across Newry were invited to the Community Safety and Wellbeing Event in Newry Leisure Centre on 4 March 2025.</p>

		PCSP also worked with Councils Environment Health Department to facilitate the 'Bee Safe,' event for Primary Schools throughout the District during March 25.
	Provision of a District-wide Community Safety Warden Scheme	<p>The Community Safety Warden Scheme remains operational across the District. Areas of focus for the CSWs continue to be Newry, Downpatrick, Newcastle and Warrenpoint. Service hours remain under ongoing review and further increased deployment will take place in other areas as required and in response to local need.</p> <p>392 hours of Community Safety Warden patrols were provided from 24th January – 8th March 2025. A detailed report can be found in Appendix I.</p>
PCSP Small Grants	Provision of a small grants programme to increase the capacity of the community to address community safety issues	<p>The PCSP Small Grants Scheme for 2025/26 opened on 13 January 2025 and closed on 24 February 2025. Applications are currently being assessed, and a list of successful applications will be circulated with Members once Letters of Offer are issued to groups.</p>
Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (January – March 2025)
Drugs and Alcohol	To support the delivery of a range of	Officer attendance at SEDACT and SDACT meetings in this Period.

	programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>We have recently facilitated Theresa Burke to deliver a series of presentations to schools and colleges throughout the District. The most recent presentations took place at Lecale Trinity Grammar School Downpatrick and Sacred Heart Grammar School in Newry.</p> <p>We are also currently working with the DSM Foundation to facilitate the drug use awareness play 'I love you mum – I promise I wont die,' in local secondary schools throughout the District. This play took place in Sacred Heart Grammar School in Newry and Lecale Trinity Grammar School in Downpatrick in February 2025, as well as in Newtownhamilton High School and St Joseph's Boys High School in Newry in March 2025.</p>
	To support the development of the RAPID Bin initiative across the NMDDC area	<p>A total of 20 RAPID Bins are now installed across the District.</p> <p>An update on the most recent collections from the RAPID Bins will be provided at the Partnership meeting on 25 March.</p>
Domestic Crime / Abuse and Sexual Violence	To support the delivery of a range of programmes, and develop a range of awareness raising campaigns	<p>Inter-agency work progressed in this period – Officer attendance at the Down Subgroup of the South Eastern Domestic & Sexual Violence Partnership and the Southern Area Domestic Violence Partnership.</p> <p>We continue to support the new One Stop Shop initiative which Women's Aid launched in Newry on 3 October 2024.</p> <p>We are also working with Women's Aid to help with the facilitation of a One Stop Shop in the Downpatrick area.</p> <p>We supported the "Together We Walk," Womens Aid Armagh Down and Volunteer Now event on 1st March 2025.</p> <p>We are currently supporting Council programmes for 'Ending Violence Against Women and Girls,' and will be supporting the Stakeholder Conference on this topic in the Canal Court Hotel Newry on 25th March 2025.</p>

<p>Community Safety & Vulnerability</p>	<p>To develop and implement a range of community safety initiatives for vulnerable persons</p>	<p>Continued attendance at local multi-agency partnership meetings including and Newry, Mourne & Down Intercultural Forum, Locality Planning Groups (Newry & South Armagh) and local Inter-Agency Forums.</p> <p>PCSP Officers are attending Newcomer Stakeholder Forum meetings in Newry and Newcastle.</p> <p>Personal safety & crime prevention talks were recently delivered to vulnerable adults and groups in Newry, Crossgar, Newcastle, and Killyleagh. This also included a talk to Clanrye Group Housing Residents in Downpatrick.</p> <p>Support agencies for vulnerable persons were in attendance at the PCSP Community Safety and Wellbeing Event in Newry on 4 March 2025.</p> <p>PCSP also delivered a joint Fraud Awareness initiative with Danske Bank and the PSNI Crime Prevention Officer at the end of November. This included hosting pop up stalls within Danske Bank premises to raise awareness around scams and safer banking.</p> <p>PCSP continue to attend Age Friendly Strategic Alliance meetings and are working on a number of initiatives with the councils Health Improvement worker (inequalities).</p>
	<p>Newry, Mourne & Down Community Support Partnership</p>	<p>The Community Support Partnership continues to engage with a number of vulnerable adults; the most recent meeting took place on 6 November 2024. Since its formation in late 2019 the Partnership has provided dedicated support to 36 individuals. This support has included help to access a range of services (including mental health, addiction and general health services), assistance with housing issues and return to education, employment and volunteering opportunities.</p>
<p>Road Safety</p>	<p>To support and promote road safety initiatives</p>	<p>Continued support to Road Safe NI (Newry, Mourne and Down Committee). The Road Ahead Support Group continues to meet and offer support to families and individuals impacted by Road Traffic Collisions.</p>

		<p>28 SIDs are now installed across the District. Data has been downloaded from SIDs across the District and a detailed report prepared for Members (see Appendix 2). There has been a further decrease in speed and the number of speed limit violations in the vicinity of the Signs. We have now moved to a remote data monitoring model for 19 of the Signs – this has resulted in a much more efficient information management system and allow for savings in both staff time and travel costs.</p> <p>PCSP has recently supported and facilitated the NIFRS “Your Choice,” presentation in the below areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRC campuses in Newry. • At the Community Safety and Wellbeing Event in Newry on 4 March (6 local secondary schools with pupils in attendance) <p>This presentation is also scheduled to take place in Sacred Heart Grammar School in Newry and the Clanrye Group in Slieve Gullion in April 2025. These presentations include a ‘cut out’ demonstration from a car by the Fire Service to reinforce the impact of RTC’s.</p> <p>PCSP also recently supported the Primary Schools Road Safety Quiz in Newry during February 2025</p> <p>PCSP has also recently provided Hi-Vis vests to a number of groups to facilitate pedestrian safety in the darker mornings and evenings. These have included Spa Rainbows Group and members of the public in attendance at the Community Safety and Wellbeing event in Newry on the 4th March where the Road Safe NI Committee were also in attendance.</p>
<p>Fear of Crime, Burglary & Crime Prevention</p>	<p>To support communities to protect themselves and their property to</p>	<p>The Home Secure Service remains open to referrals (258 referrals have been received since 1 April 2024); 100% of beneficiaries report feeling safer as a result of the interventions.</p> <p>The Social Alarm Scheme also remains operational. We are continuing to liaise with the PSNI to identify further beneficiaries for the Scheme (this is a targeted Scheme, aimed at high-risk individuals referred by the PSNI). Over 100 referrals have now been made to this Scheme and a number of arrests have been</p>

	reduce the fear of crime	made at the homes of victims after alarms were triggered due to perpetrators arriving at the premises. A total of 240 trigger calls have been made by Alarm beneficiaries since the Scheme became operational.
	To develop a range of crime prevention interventions (including rural crime)	A number of Crime Prevention events have taken place across the District in partnership with NPTs and the PSNI Crime Prevention Officer. These have included events in Newry, Crossgar and Killyleagh. PCSP recently held a Trailer Marking event with the local Neighbourhood Team in Ballynahinch on the 18 th of January 2025 and Kilkeel on the 22 nd of February 2025.
	To promote and develop the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme	Following the recent reaccreditation process there are now 60 active and fully accredited NHW Schemes across the District.

Strategic Priority 3: To improve Confidence in Policing through collaborative problem solving with communities.

Theme	Aims & description	Key Activities in this Period (January – March 2025)
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<p>Improve community confidence in policing</p>	<p>Advocate for policing and effectively monitor local police performance and progress of the local Policing Plan</p>	<p>We are aware of current challenges facing the PSNI (including budget / workforce) and the local impact on availability of NPT Officers to support some events etc.</p>
	<p>Support the engagement of the local community with the PSNI</p>	<p>Community/police engagement is progressing well via planned events and other activities (as outlined above and shared with members via the Events schedule).</p> <p>The PSNI/PCSP Mobile Unit remains very popular, and plans are in place to ensure that it continues to be widely deployed across the District. We have recently resourced the cost of some upgrades to the Unit's software and game consoles and are confident that this will extend the use of the vehicle even further.</p>

Summary of Community Safety Wardens Reports: 24th January 2025 – 8th March 2025

	No. Incidents attended	No. Incidents reported to PSNI	Total Hours Patrolled
Downpatrick	17	0	98
Newcastle	5	0	98
Newry	1	0	98
Warrenpoint	15	1	98
Total	38	1	392

Notes:

This reporting period covers the Half Term holidays.

Examples of Incidents Attended by Wardens:

Downpatrick 25.01.25 - When patrolling the area around the Omniplex Cinema, wardens see some kids are gathered at the lay-by beside the cinema premises. A few of them are drinking alcohol and laughing loudly. Wardens approach the group and ask them to leave the area and dispose of the alcohol, which they did.

Downpatrick 25.01.25 – While on patrol at Rathkeltair House, wardens see some young children are gathered inside a bush talking and laughing. Some of them are chasing each other around and throwing sticks. Wardens ask the young people to stop throwing objects so that they or anyone else passing by will not be injured.

Downpatrick 08.02.25 – While patrolling Dunleath area, Wardens came across two teenagers riding motorcycles and speeding around the field. Wardens stopped the teenagers advised them that acting in this way could cause injuries to themselves or others. Wardens ask the teenagers to move away from the area, and they left immediately.

Downpatrick 08.02.25 - At the back of the Bus Station wardens see two cars speeding and chasing each other. Wardens stop the cars and ask the drivers to stop driving dangerously so that they would not cause an accident. Wardens ask the cars to leave, and they left immediately.

Newcastle 07.02.25 – Wardens patrolling Donard Park and checking around the Tennis Courts, come across a group of teenagers smoking. Wardens speak with the young people and get them to stop smoking and move on from the area.

Newcastle 15.02.25 – Wardens checking the area at the back of the Bus Station come across a group of teenagers smoking, being loud and behaving anti-socially. Wardens ask them to keep the noise down, stop smoking and move away from the area, which they did.

Newcastle 08.03.25 – Wardens start their patrol at 7pm along the Main Street of Newcastle and pass around by the Bus Station. At the Bus Station, wardens see a group of youths loitering and ask them to move on from the area. At 9pm when wardens are patrolling Donard Park and the Tennis Courts wardens come across the same group of teenagers from earlier, drinking alcohol. Wardens attempt to approach the group of young people, but they run off in different directions. Wardens continue to look out for this group during their patrol, but they appear to have left the area.

Newry 22.02.25 – While on patrol around the Leisure Centre, wardens see a group of young boys loitering in the car park. Wardens approach the group and ask them to leave, which they did.

Warrenpoint 31.01.25 - While patrolling in Warrenpoint, wardens walk up to Duke street, where they come across an assault victim who had been injured. Wardens immediately notify the police and the ambulance service and stay with the injured person until help arrives.

Warrenpoint 21.02.25 - At around 8:30pm wardens see a group of youths gathered outside the library - potentially smoking cannabis and engaging in anti-social behaviour. Wardens ask the group to disperse and leave the area, which they did with no issues.

Warrenpoint 21.02.25 – Wardens notice a man behaving suspicious in the car park behind the arcade. Wardens observe the situation to ensure there is no illegal activity until the person leaves the area. Wardens continue to patrol the area regularly until the end of their shift as a precaution.

Warrenpoint 22.02.25 – Wardens see a group of youths gathered outside Friar Tucks causing an obstruction to paying customers. Wardens ask the group to move along, and they did with no issues. Later that evening, the same group of youths gathered outside Apache pizza causing the same problem and wardens once again speak with them and move them along with no issues.

Warrenpoint 22.02.25 – While patrolling the promenade wardens notice a man who was intoxicated walking along the promenade looking for his spouse. Wardens assist the man in locating his other half and direct them to a taxi service before ensuring they get into a taxi and home safely.

Warrenpoint 07.03.25 – When patrolling around the arcade area wardens come across youths smoking and behaving antisocially. Wardens ask the group to move on from the area, and they did so with no issues. Wardens then patrolled the area regularly until the end of their shift.

Table Showing Data collected from SIDs 20th January 2025 – 14th March 2025

Location of SID	85% of vehicles were travelling at this speed (MPH)	% Speed violations over 30mph (*40mph)	% Speed violations over 35mph (*45mph)	No. speed violations over 70mph	Average % reduction in speed caused by SID	Time of highest number of Speeding Offences (>30MPH*)
Annalong	37	62.2	21.0	0	4.51	06:00 AM
Ardglass	35	39.2	14.2	2	5.66	11:00 PM
Ballynahinch	33	26.5	5.7	1	7.03	06:00 AM
Burren	41	73.7	41.2	16	No Reduction	11:00 AM
Camlough	44	78.1	50.8	214	12.97	07:00 AM
Castlewellan	35	43.2	12.1	0	8.0	06:00 AM
Clough	35	46.2	14.9	6	5.33	10:00 PM
Crossmaglen	40	56.1	32.6	3	8.0	6:00 PM
Culloville*	42	21.3	5.5	0	3.05	06:00 AM
Darragh Cross*	41	15.5	3.7	3	4.85	5:00 PM

Downpatrick*	41	16.2	4.3	52	6.38	10:00 PM
Dundrum	37	51	20.9	42	4.37	08:00 AM
Kilcoo	42	74.4	44.0	44	4.28	03:00 AM
Killeavy*	37	3.7	0.6	0	5.80	06:00 AM
Kilkeel	-	-	-	-	-	-
Killough	34	39.8	8.5	0	4.48	7:00 PM
Killyleagh	37	58.1	24.2	0	6.45	4:00 PM
Leitrim	34	37.6	8.7	0	17.93	5:00 PM
Mayobridge	38	65.5	26.6	0	3.03	05:00 AM
Meigh	40	60.2	32.4	13	13.93	11:00 PM
Newcastle	33	25.9	7.6	1	5.18	05:00 AM
Newry (Camlough Road)	35	40.4	12.6	23	3.0	09:00 AM
Newry (Chancellors Road)*	39	8.9	2.1	3	0.3	11:00 PM

Newtownhamilton	42	76.2	44.3	8	6.57	11:00 PM
Rostrevor	42	58.3	33.7	87	7.5	07:00 AM
Saintfield	36	39.8	17.8	2	7.0	05:00 AM
Strangford	37	61.5	25.4	256	4.37	09:00 AM
Warrenpoint	36	50.2	16.4	6	1.0	2:00 PM

Notes:

Downpatrick, Newry (Chancellors Road), Darragh Cross, Killeavy and Culloville SID are placed in a 40mph zone and therefore the table has been amended to reflect speed trends for these areas by an Asterix.

The SID in Castlewellan was replaced on the 7th January 2025 and data from this SID is now reflected in the table above.

There are issues with downloading the data from the SID in Kilkeel. PCSP Staff are working with PWS to rectify this issue and expect it should be resolved by end of March 2025.

Key trends from data

- The overall average percentile reduction in speed caused by SIDs was 5.74%
- On average 18.99% of vehicles going past the SIDs were traveling over 35mph (*45mph).
- The SID which caused the highest reduction in speed was Leitrim SID with an average of 17.93% reduction in speed caused by the SID.

Report to:	Policing & Community Safety Partnership
Date of Meeting:	25 March 2025
Subject:	ASB Sub Group Report
Reporting Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)
Contact Officer (Including Job Title):	Shannon Creaney, Safer Communities and Good Relations Manager (Acting)

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either:-

For decision	x	For noting only	
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	<p>Purpose</p> <p>To consider and agree the Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 18th February 2025 and the ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 6th March 2025</p>
1.2	<p>Background</p> <p>The attached Draft Action Sheets provide Members with an update on the work of the ASB Sub Groups since the last PCSP Committee meeting on 28 January 2025.</p>
2.0	Key issues
2.1	None.
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<p>That the Committee-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note the report.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree the attached Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 18th February 2025 • Agree the attached Draft Action Sheet of the ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 6th March 2025
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<p>Revenue</p> <p>All actions are budgeted for in the PCSP 2024/25 Action Plan</p> <p>Capital</p> <p>N/A</p>
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)
5.1	<p><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
5.2	<p><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation <input type="checkbox"/></p>
5.3	<p><i>Proposal initiating consultation</i></p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

	<p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)</p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>
7.0	Appendices
7.1	<p>Appendix I: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 2 meeting held on 18th February 2025</p> <p>Appendix II: Draft Action Sheet of ASB Sub Group 1 meeting held on 6th March 2025</p>
8.0	Background Documents
8.1	None.

Newry, Mourne and Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 2 Meeting held on Tuesday 18th February 2025 at 7PM in The Newcastle Centre, Newcastle

Present:

Chairperson:

Cllr Jill Truesdale

Elected Members:

Cllr Henry Reilly, Cllr Kate Murphy (in place of Cllr Hanlon)

Independent Members:

Niall Lawlor, William Slater, Louise Kennedy

Statutory Partners:

Inspector Hardy (PSNI), Inspector Heatley (PSNI), Martin Healy (NIFRS), Maureen O’Gorman (EA), Bernadette McDowell (YJA)

Council Officials:

Jacqueline Urey (NMDDC)

Apologies:

Sgt Gracey (PSNI), Cllr Oonagh Hanlon, Tara Campbell (Independent), Philip Mageean (NIFRS), Aileen O’Callaghan (EA), Judith Thompson (NMDDC)

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
ASB/001	Welcome and Apologies	All were welcomed to the meeting and apologies were recorded as above.	
ASB/002	Adoption of previous Action Sheet	Action Sheet agreed. Proposed by Niall Lawlor and seconded by William Slater.	

		<u>Actions completed:</u>	<u>Actions Outstanding from previous meeting/s:</u>
ASB/003	Update of Outstanding Actions from last meeting	<p>(1) Inspector Hardy shared information with Sgt Gracey re Annalong.</p> <p>(2) Inspector Hardy continues to monitor Flying Horse area.</p>	<p>-Inspector Hardy to pass on 101 service feedback (meeting 8th October 2024)</p> <p>-EA to look at service provision in Killough (meeting 8th October 2024)</p>
ASB/004	Current / Emerging Issues	<p>(1) Cllr Truesdale shared Donard car park update. PSNI advised that additional resource can be planned if car meet dates are identified</p> <p>(2) Annalong public toilets are still closed due to vandalism.</p> <p>Ongoing ASB and the increase in police presence is welcomed and noted.</p> <p>(3) Killyleagh Street, Crossgar</p> <p>(4) Manse Road, Kilkeel</p> <p>(5) Main Street, Castlewellan</p> <p>(6) Quads and scramblers in Downpatrick</p> <p>(7) Lighthouse View, Newcastle – issues are now resolved</p> <p>(8) Cranfield beach area – quads, fires. Police and NIFRS have noted issue</p>	<p>(2) Cllr Truesdale to seek update of when the public toilets will reopen</p> <p>(3) Inspector Hardy continue to monitor</p> <p>(4) Inspector Heatley continue to monitor</p> <p>(5) Inspector Hardy continue to monitor</p> <p>(6) Inspector Hardy continue to monitor</p>

ASB/005	Development of ASB SG Plan 2024/2025	No further areas added	J Urey/PCSP - continue to populate with PCSP and partnership ASB interventions
ASB/006	Updates from Agencies	Update received from PSNI Update received from PCSP Update received from EA Updated received from YJA Updated received from NIFRS	
	For noting	Cllr Reilly extended his thanks to emergency services for their efforts during and after Storm Éowyn.	
ASB/007	Date of Next Meeting	Tuesday 15 th April 2025, 7PM	PCSP to send calendar invite and papers to members.

Meeting concluded at 8:02PM

Newry, Mourne and Down Policing & Community Safety Partnership (PCSP)

Action Sheet of PCSP ASB Sub Group 1 Meeting held on Thursday 6th March 2025 at 6PM in Newry & Mourne Enterprise Agency, WIN Business Park, Newry.

Present:

- Chairperson:** Cllr Aidan Mathers
- Elected Members:** Cllr Aidan Mathers, Cllr David Taylor
- Independent Members:** David Vint, Anne Sheridan, Michelle Osborne
- Statutory Partners:** Warren Roberts (PSNI), Conor Valentine (PSNI), Adam Ross (PSNI), Robin Blair (PSNI), Maureen O’Gorman (EA), Hannah Roberts (YJA), Josephine Morgan (NIHE)
- Council Officials:** Shannon Creaney, Kaitlyn Hanna
- Apologies:** Colleen McCreesh, Gerard Kearney (NIFRS), Cathy McDonald (PSNI),

ITEM	SUBJECT	SUMMARY	FOR COMPLETION – including actions taken/date completed or progress to date if not yet completed.
ASB/001	Welcome, Introductions and Apologies	All were welcomed to the meeting by ASB Sub Group 1 Chair and apologies were recorded as above.	

ASB/002	ASB Sub Group 1 Action Plan	<p>The Group discussed the below areas previously identified as priority for the ASB Sub Group 1 Action Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newry DEA – Newry City • Crotlieve DEA – Burren and Warrenpoint • Slieve Gullion DEA – Crossmaglen, Bessbrook and Newtownhamilton 	K Hanna to circulate an updated ASB Sub Group 1 Diversionary Action Plan with the papers for the next ASB Sub Group 1 meeting. This will include details of other agency interventions provided at ASB Meeting.
ASB/003	Update from Agencies	<p>Update received from PSNI. Update received from PCSP. Update received from EA. Update received from NIHE. Update received from YJA</p>	<p>PCSP to share social media posts surrounding legalities of E-Scooters</p> <p>ASB Sub Group 1 Chair asked that another group meeting is organised with Newry based Housing Associations and ASB Sub Group 1 / Newry Councillors in the next 6 Months.</p>
ASB/004	Current / Emerging Issues	Discussion around Community Safety Wardens & the areas that they patrol	

		Discussion around issues in a Play Park in Newtownhamilton	<p>Community Safety Wardens reports to be sent to PSNI. Communications between PSNI & Wardens to be facilitated.</p> <p>Community Safety Wardens areas & deployment to be reviewed on an ongoing basis (subject to approvals).</p>
ASB/005	Date of Next Meeting	The group agreed to schedule a meeting for Tuesday 10 th June 6pm	K Hanna to circulate the next meeting date, time and location with group.