

**Local Community Safety Partnership Sub Committee meeting minutes**

Name: Wicklow Local Community Safety Partnership – Steering Group	
Date:	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Time:	6.00pm
Venue:	Wicklow County Council Wurzburg Room
Attendance  Present:	Cllr Tom Fortune (Chair) Stephen Kearon Yvonne O’Neill Michael Nicholson Cllr Ned Whelan Selena McKenzie Patricia Carmody, Lorraine Horan
Quorum:	Yes
Apologies:	Superintendent John Fitzgerald, Ciara Martin
Absent	
1. Declaration of Interest: No	
2. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting. Proposed: Stephen Kearon Seconded: Selena MacKenzie	
3. Matters Arising: No	
4. Cllr Tom Fortune, Chair remarks	<p>The Chair emphasised the importance of maintaining momentum within the Steering Group, noting that meetings are held monthly and progress must continue between sessions.</p> <p>It was reported that the recent Community Safety event in Arklow was successful and feedback was very positive.</p> <p>The Chair acknowledged that public consultations may be challenging in terms of attendance. However, it was agreed that engagement with local councillors in each district will be essential to encourage participation.</p>

	<p>The Chair highlighted the need to progress the community safety survey.</p> <p>It was noted that the PPN will hold a plenary meeting in Arklow on 13 June and the LCSP should be represented.</p>
5. Coordination team feedback	<p>It was noted that the new members, whose details have been submitted to the national office for approval, are expected to be appointed by the Minister in time to attend meetings from June.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding potential use of the Community Safety Fund, with domestic violence identified as a possible focus area. It was agreed that we may explore the development of a pilot initiative in this area.</p>
Establishment of a new working group	<p>Following on the feedback on presentations held on 29th April, it was agreed that a new working group will be established under the title "Safe and Secure at Home."</p> <p>Proposed: Stephen Kearon Seconded: Yvonne O'Neill</p>
Review of public consultations and survey progress	<p>It was noted that 263 participants have completed the youth survey, while 57 participants have completed the adult survey. It was also noted that the adult survey has not yet been published in the public domain.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding how to increase engagement and traction across the group's social media platforms.</p>
Setting of agenda for the first LCSP public meeting	<p>A discussion took place regarding the upcoming public meeting scheduled for 15 June in Greystones. The format and structure of the meeting were agreed.</p>
11. Members' Interest Items	No
12. AOB	No
Next Meeting	
Date:	June 8 <sup>th</sup> 2026
Time:	6.00pm
Venue:	Wurzburg Room
Prepared by	Name: Patricia Carmody

	Local Community Safety Partnership Coordinator	
Adopted by Wicklow Local Community Safety Partnership	Proposed: SELENA MCKENZIE Seconded: STEPHEN KEARON 8/6/26	
Chairperson Signature	<i>Cllr Tom Fortune</i>	
<b>MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE LOG</b>		
NAME SURNAME	Representative Body	In Attendance Yes/No
Stephen Kearon	PPN - Arklow MD	Yes
Yvonne O'Neill	PPN - Greystones MD	Yes
Michael Nicholson	Wicklow County Council	Yes
Ciara Martin	PPN - Wicklow MD	No
Cllr Tom Fortune	Greystones MD	Yes
Cllr Ned Whelan	Bray East MD	Yes
Selena McKenzie	IFA	Yes
Superintendent John Fitzgerald	An Garda Síochána	No