

Agreed Report – Closed Discussion (Item under Section 9.6):

Meeting held 17th of June, 2026

The Chair confirmed that the minutes of the previous closed meeting were agreed.

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

Community Safety Concerns:

Members discussed concerns regarding the impact of illegal drugs on communities throughout County Cavan. It was noted that drug-related activity continues to affect towns and villages across the county, with concerns expressed about the accessibility of drugs and the consequences for individuals, families and communities.

Members also highlighted a number of related issues including:

- The need for increased community policing resources.
- Concerns regarding the growth of vape shops in towns across the county.
- The need for additional Garda personnel and resources.
- The potential benefits of increased foot patrols and Garda visibility in local communities.

Representatives from An Garda Síochána acknowledged the concerns raised and outlined existing measures in place, including the role of Drugs Liaison Officers within Garda divisions.

Partnership Membership:

The Partnership was advised that a number of vacancies remain and that additional community representatives are required. Particular reference was made to the need for greater geographic representation from some areas of the county.

Community Safety Survey Findings:

The Community Safety Co-Ordinator presented a summary of the recent Community Safety Survey, which received 670 responses from across County Cavan.

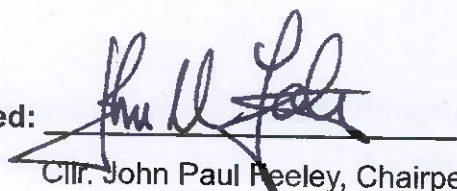
Key findings included:

- High levels of perceived safety during the day.
- Lower levels of perceived safety at night, particularly in public spaces.
- Concerns relating to drug and alcohol misuse, anti-social behaviour, road safety and Garda visibility.
- A need to improve awareness of crime reporting procedures.
- Support for measures such as increased Garda visibility, enhanced CCTV coverage and improved street lighting.

The survey findings will help inform the development of the County Cavan Community Safety Plan for the next three years.

The Chair thanked all those involved in the survey process and acknowledged the strong level of public engagement.

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Cllr. John Paul Feeley, Chairperson,

Cavan Local Community Safety Partnership

Date: _____

7th October 2016 .