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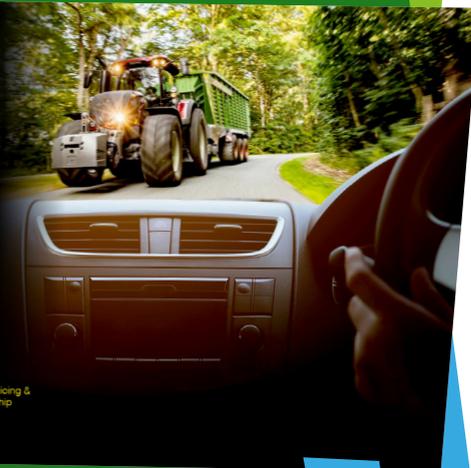
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WHAT WILL COME YOUR WAY WHEN YOUR MIND BEGINS TO STRAY?

Be Smart, Be Sensible and Think Safety First



Causeway Coast and Glens Policing & Community Safety Partnership



Staying safe on the roads

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Vaccine Scam

All COVID-19 vaccines are free of charge from the NHS.

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MAKING YOUR MARK!

TRAILER MARKING

Fermanagh & Omagh PCSP, working with local PSNI, have held a trailer marking event in Irvinestown.

Trailer marking involves stencilling a unique code on the trailer, making it easier for PSNI to trace stolen vehicles and equipment.

Trailers that have been marked also act as a deterrent to would-be thieves, letting them know they won't be able to hold on to their ill-gotten gains for long!

To make sure everyone stayed safe, residents were invited to book slots to ensure social distancing could be maintained where possible, and masks were worn throughout.



Working to mark the trailers

BIKE MARKING

With the theft of bicycles on the rise in Newry, Mourne & Down, the PCSP and PSNI decided to take action. Setting up next to the bike path in Kilbroney Forest Park, the PCSP staff and PSNI Officers offered free bike marking and free crime prevention advice.

When bikes are marked, their details are kept on a central database, and once applied the marking stickers can't be removed, showing thieves they've no chance of riding off into the sunset!

The day was a success, with a lot of positive feedback – Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP have already started planning even more events in more locations for 2021!



800
marking
stickers
funded



25 bikes
marked

**LOCK IT
MARK IT**



An advert for the scheme



One of the adverts

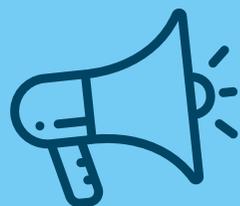
STAYING SAFE ON THE ROADS

Living and driving in a rural location brings a range of dangers on the roads, especially in Causeway, Coast & Glens which has the busy A26 running through the Council area. After a rise in the total number of fatal road traffic incidents, the PCSP decided to run a campaign to highlight the dangers on our roads both over the festive period and beyond.

Setting up a working group to ensure the messaging was as relevant as possible, the PCSP settled on an awareness campaign running across December and January focusing on drink & drug driving, speeding, using your mobile phone, and awareness around agricultural vehicles.

To make sure as many people as possible saw the messaging, Causeway, Coast & Glens PCSP launched across a number of platforms: bus rears, shopping centres, social media, and a local radio ad.

Councillor Oliver McMullan, Chairman of Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership, said: "Causeway coast and glens residents and visitors need to know and understand the dangers on our roads. Taking the chance of driving while under the influence of alcohol and or drugs, speeding or using your mobile phone while driving are all against the law and could result in a serious accident to themselves or someone else, the PCSP asks the public to be smart and think safety first."



90k people reached

"The work of local sports organisations in our community is vital, and they play a key role in diverting many young people from anti-social behaviour and towards positive activity."



Young people at a pre-COVID, in person session

A NEW GENERATION OF LEADERS

Ards & North Down PCSP have been working with the Council's Sports Development team and local sporting organisations to deliver a series of innovative sports leadership programmes aimed at redirecting young people who have been engaging in anti-social behaviour.

Continuing to connect with communities is essential, so rather than wait, the PCSP have partnered with Sports Community Network to deliver the programmes through online sessions. The sports leadership programme is just one of five new initiatives that the Council and PCSP will be undertaking over 2021 to address issues of criminality in the Borough and help improve confidence in policing.

“Anti-social behaviour has a significant impact on some of the most vulnerable in our community. The Mid and East Antrim Community Safety Wardens are a useful first tool when dealing with this. Perhaps one of the most important impacts they have is to give people reassurance that their concerns are being taken seriously.”

Lexie Scott, PCSP Independent Member



100 litter incidents dealt with



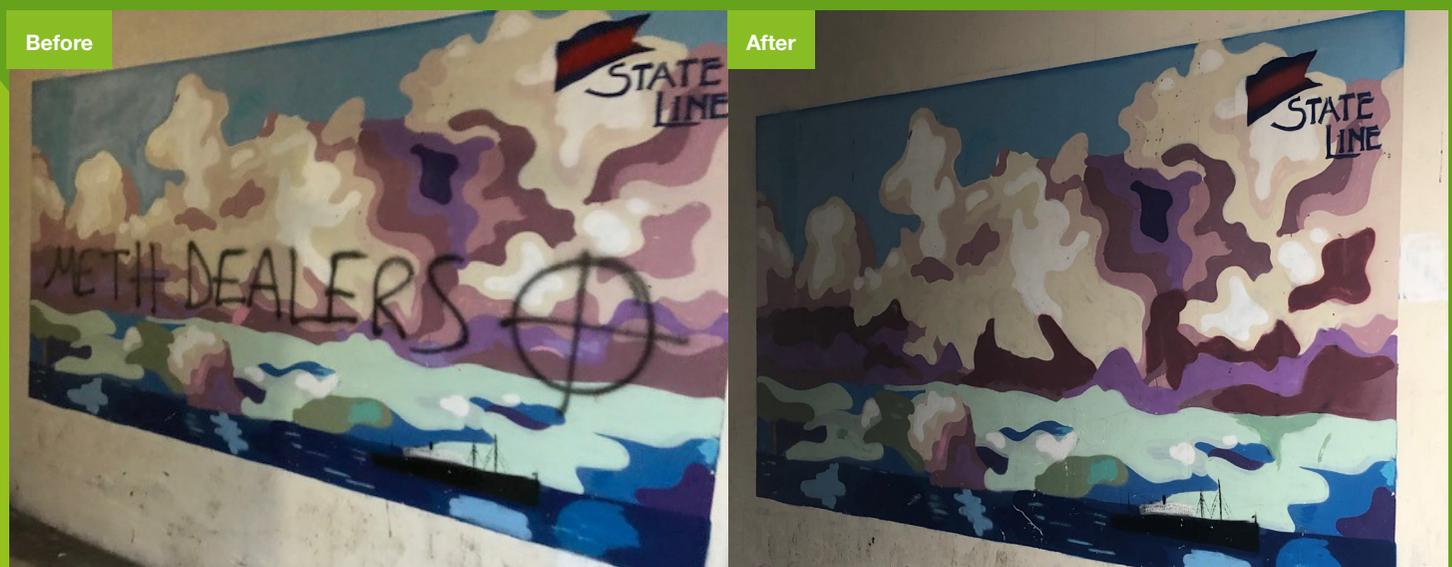
200 ASB incidents dealt with

COMMUNITY SAFETY WARDENS CONTINUE!

Mid & East Antrim PCSP have ensured three more years of Community Safety Wardens, extending their project work with NIHE and Ballymena Retailers Against Crime (BRAC) to employ three Wardens stationed throughout the Council area.

The Community Safety Warden project has been running since 2012, and the Wardens have assisted on issues like anti-social behaviour, drug abuse, local safety problems, graffiti, litter and dog fouling. A recent survey also showed that Wardens have helped address fear of crime locally, and have been a reassuring presence in both the community and for local businesses.

Feedback on the Warden scheme has been exclusively positive, with Wardens often assisting vulnerable individuals, and creating on-the-ground solutions to problems like antisocial behaviour. Wardens can also provide necessary advice and guidance to anyone who needs it.



“We have several victims registered who have experienced Domestic Violence and hate crime against them within intimate and intrafamilial relationships. It was really useful to know the services available to signpost them to.”

Attendee

RAISING AWARENESS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Following a concerning rise in domestic and sexual violence across Newry, Mourne & Down during COVID-19 lockdowns, the PCSP took the decision to fund and organise virtual domestic violence awareness raising sessions in partnership with South Eastern Domestic and Sexual Violence Partnership (SEDSVP).

The goal of the project was to raise awareness about the many types of domestic violence, and the fact there is no one type of victim. Particular attention was given to domestic violence issues with male, LGBTQ+ and BAME victims. The sessions gave more information on spotting the signs of domestic violence, what could trigger incidents, support for victims and the services which are available to those who have been victims.

Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP wanted to reach as many different organisations as possible to spread awareness across the District, and attendees came from a wide variety of organisations across the statutory, voluntary and community sectors. Sessions were as inclusive as possible – for example one session focused on domestic abuse affecting men, and was run in conjunction with both Men’s Advisory Project and the Rainbow Project, giving an overview that included all genders and relationships.

Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP also worked directly with Women’s Aid to deliver aspects of the project related to BAME communities directly to interpreters, meaning their experience of domestic abuse could reach those who need it with no language barrier. 100% of those who attended stated that their knowledge and understanding of domestic abuse in BAME communities had improved.

If you've seen or experienced domestic abuse, help is available.

PSNI:

101 or 999 in an emergency

Domestic & Sexual Abuse Helpline:

0808 802 1414

Women's Aid:

028 90 249 041

Men's Advisory Project:

028 90 241 929

Men's Action Network:

028 71 377 777

The Rainbow Project:

028 90 319 030

NEXUS:

028 90 326 803



PSNI ONLINE REPORTING

From January, anyone who submits a report online to PSNI will get a follow up email giving them details on how it was handled.

This is the first phase of a rollout that will also see follow ups being issued for 101 calls and over-the-counter reports.

Find out more with this short video:



How to report a crime

NEW PENALTIES

“We welcome this new legislation which underlines our very straightforward road safety message. When you are driving, your focus should be on the road and what other road users are doing, free from any distraction.

Our figures clearly indicate that driver distraction, together with inappropriate speed, drink and drug driving are consistently the main causes of the most serious crashes which kill and injure people on roads across Northern Ireland. No phone call; No message; No social media update is more important than the potentially catastrophic consequence of not paying full attention when driving a vehicle.”

Jonathan Roberts
PSNI Assistant Chief Constable



Increased penalties for using a hand-held mobile phone while driving:

- **£200 fine**
- **6 penalty points**

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#NOPLACEFORHATE

Latest PSNI figures show an increase in the occurrence of hate crime. There is #NoPlaceForHate in our community – if you have been the victim of or witnessed hate crime please report it

to view the statistics



During January Your Police Service:

received
49,224
requests for service

processed
1,730
arrests through custody

prepared
3,528
case files for submission to the Public Prosecution Service

travelled
1,295,100
miles to respond to your calls and build safer communities

These figures are provisional and subject to change

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Police Service of Northern Ireland



VACCINE SCAM

Be on the lookout - there are fake COVID-19 vaccine notifications being sent by fraudsters. The vaccine will always be free on the NHS. Please reach out to friends and family about this scam, particularly those who are older or may be more vulnerable.

For more advice and information:

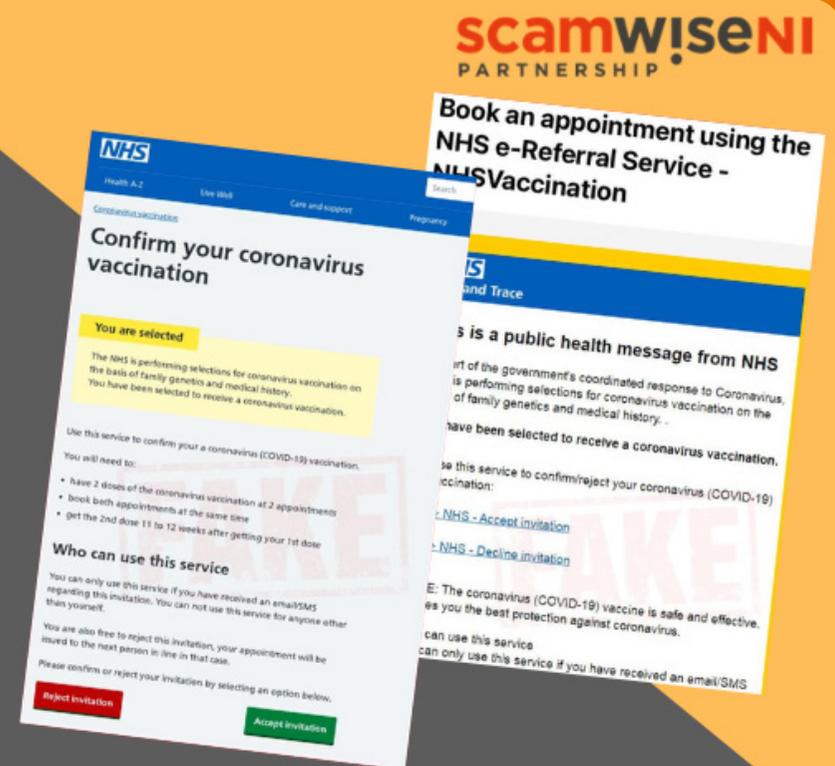
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Scams reported to the PSNI in January



13 doorstep scams



121 internet scams



7 postal scams



486 phone scams

Total money lost to scams?

£523,066

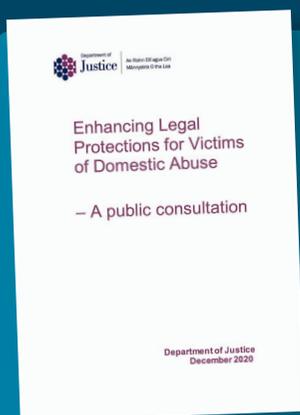
RECRUITING: INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY OBSERVERS

Independent Community Observers (ICOs) are volunteers from the community who observe key aspects of the PSNI's officer recruitment process and report back to the Board to ensure that it is independent, transparent and fair for all. ICOs help ensure that the same procedures are applied to all candidates, and that facilities and arrangements are adequate for applicants.

The Board will soon be looking for new volunteers for the Scheme. If you're interested in finding out more, register your interest by emailing information@nipolicingboard.org.uk

to find out more

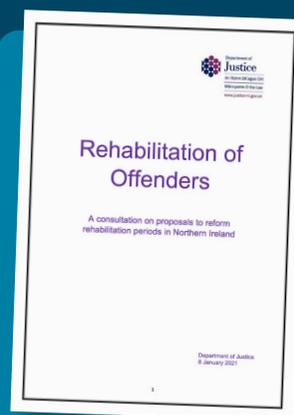
CONSULTATION CORNER



Consultation on enhancing legal protections for victims of domestic abuse

The Department of Justice is seeking views on enhancing protections for victims of domestic abuse.

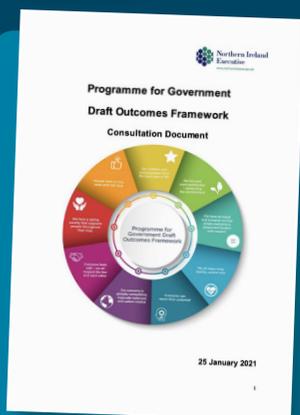
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Consultation on proposals to reform rehabilitation periods in Northern Ireland

The Department of Justice is seeking views on proposals to reform rehabilitation periods in Northern Ireland to reflect changes in sentencing practices and developments in other jurisdictions.

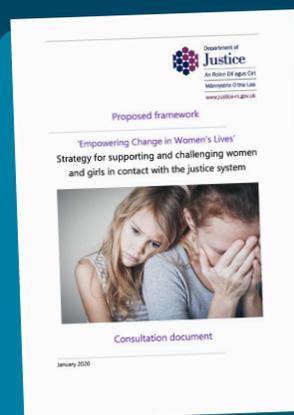
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Consultation on the Programme for Government for Government draft Outcomes Framework

The Outcomes in the Programme for Government Framework present a picture of the kind of society we want to see. The Executive want your views on what you'd like them to be.

[to read the report](#)

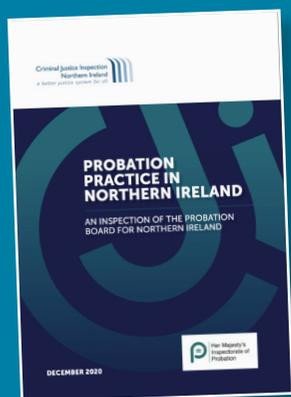


Proposed strategy to support and challenge women and girls in contact with the justice system

This strategy is focused on women and girls who are at risk of offending or who have offended and recognises the justice system could do more to support them using a gender and trauma informed approach.

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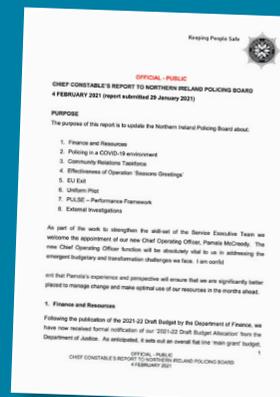
PUBLICATIONS



Probation Practice in Northern Ireland

An independent inspection of probation practice in Northern Ireland by CJINI has made 11 recommendations to improve the Probation Board's governance arrangements and deliver better services and outcomes.

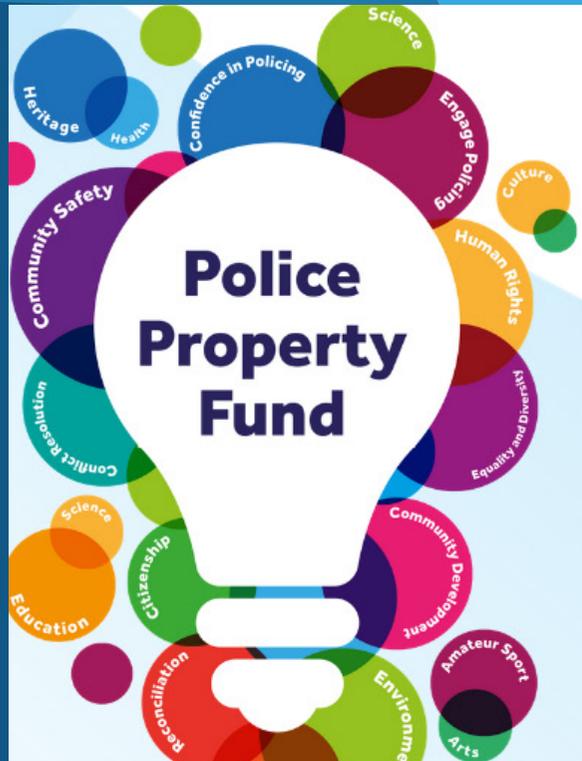
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Chief Constable's Report to the Board

The Chief Constable's report provides an overview of the key issues affecting policing at present.

[to read the report](#)





Working on a project that needs funding?

- Are you working with local police on it?
- Does it contribute to community safety in your area?
- Is your project/idea aligned to a charitable purpose?

Register your interest now

policepropertyfund@nipolicingboard.org.uk

POLICE PROPERTY FUND GRANT SCHEMES POSTPONED

Due to current restrictions and the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on gatherings and groups, the Policing Board is postponing the launch of the Police Property Fund Grant Schemes.

They will be reviewing the position at the end of February, but you can still register your interest now to be kept up to date with any news.

to find out more

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