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## TACKLING HATE CRIME

*“The single most important message that I would seek to convey is that we will listen, we will believe you and that we will try to help.”*

Insp Paula Johnston



Some of the participants in the Crime Awareness event.

### Building community bonds

**Fermanagh & Omagh PCSP** has been working with the PSNI, Women’s Aid and the Council’s Good Relations team to build stronger connections between Black and Minority Ethnic, Chinese, Hungarian and Latvian residents and local agencies.

The Crime Awareness event included short talks taking in home security, scam protection, signposting support services and reporting crime. It was an opportunity to meet local officers, and get a tour of Enniskillen PSNI station and custody suite.

Insp Paula Johnston said it was a welcome opportunity for local police officers to meet members of the community and listen to their concerns. She said: **“It is clear that sometimes people don’t know where to turn for help or even if help is available. If you have been the victim of a hate crime or incident please do speak with someone.”**

[click here](#) to report hate crime to the PSNI



**100%**  
increased  
confidence  
in the police

### No Hate in Antrim and Newtownabbey

**Antrim & Newtownabbey PCSP** has been working with the PSNI, the Council’s Good Relations team and the Community Relations Forum to ensure there’s no place in their district for hate or discrimination.

The campaign is designed to eliminate hate crime and support the Council’s commitment to creating a safe atmosphere in a shared community.

Resource packs have been distributed to spell out what hate crime is to businesses, organisations and community groups throughout the district and details how they can direct victims to get support.

Antrim & Newtownabbey PCSP Chair Cllr Paul Dunlop, said:

**“We live in a changing society that actively embraces diversity and welcomes the rich tapestry of cultures, traditions and histories that now make up our communities and we want that to continue.”**

**“As part of this discrimination and prejudice cannot be tolerated. However, we can only eliminate hate crimes and incidents together as a community and send a clear message that we will not tolerate anyone becoming a victim.”**

**NO  
HATE  
HERE!**

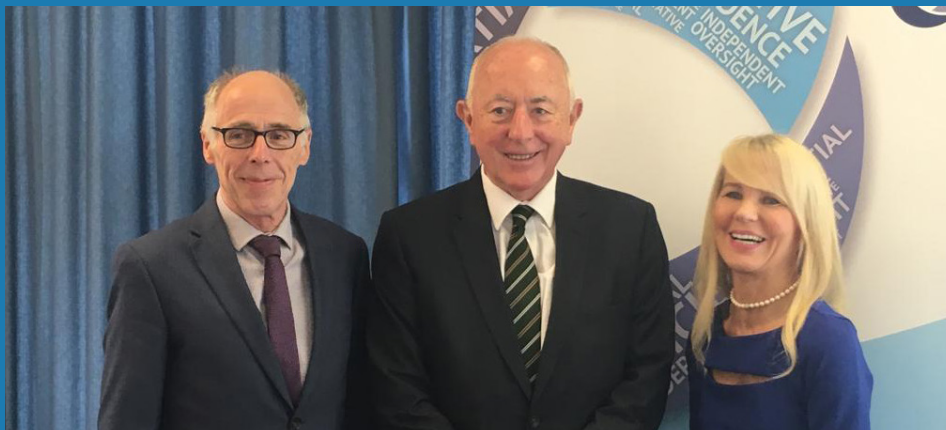
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IN OUR BOROUGH**

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HATE CRIME



## TACKLING HATE CRIME



Policing Board Member Brice Dickson, Judge Desmond Marrinan and Policing Board Vice Chair Debbie Watters recently discussed the review at the Policing Board.

### Hate Crime Review: Have your say

Earlier this year, the Department of Justice set up an independent Hate Crime Review Team led by Judge Desmond Marrinan, to review the current legislation around hate crime in Northern Ireland.

The Hate Crime Review Team will host a series of events for the public to give their input to the consultation.

The events are:

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| 16 January: Enniskillen | 19 February: Ballymena     |
| 21 January: Dungannon   | 4 March: Derry/Londonderry |
| 12 February: Belfast    | 12 March: Craigavon        |

For more information and to book a place, contact:  
[registration@hatecrimereviewni.org.uk](mailto:registration@hatecrimereviewni.org.uk)

To find out more about the Hate Crime Review visit:  
[www.hatecrimereviewni.org.uk](http://www.hatecrimereviewni.org.uk)



South Belfast DPCSP Vice Chair Richard Kennedy, Chief Constable Simon Byrne, Safer City Coordinator Glenn Thomas and South Belfast Area Commander Ch/Insp Gavin Kirkpatrick

### Tackling hate across Belfast

The North and South Belfast DPCSPs have been engaging their local communities with a series of meetings about hate crime.

The educational sessions opened up discussion about hate crime in the area, allowing people to raise concerns and for organisations like the Safer City Action Group and PSNI to talk about their work.

## KEEPING COMMUNITIES SAFER

### Schooled on road safety

**Antrim & Newtownabbey PCSP have developed Road Safety School Signs for primary schools across the area.**

The two portable signs can be used by local schools to help encourage drivers to slow down and promote positive parking at busy school drop off and pick up points.

Speaking about the initiative, PCSP Chair Cllr Paul Dunlop said: **“Road safety has been identified by the PCSP as one of its key priorities and the partnership continues to work on projects that increases awareness around particular issues of concerns on our roads.”**



Pupils from Glengormley Integrated Primary School with Antrim & Newtownabbey PCSP members



Pupils from Rathcoole Primary School are making great use of the signs

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### Working together to stop crime

**Mid & East Antrim PCSP has been linking in with Crimestoppers NI to keep up to date with the charity's work across the UK.**

Crimestoppers offers people anonymity if they are uncomfortable going directly to the police giving them an alternative option to report concerns.

PCSP members found out about upcoming campaigns which they can link in with and support across social media which will help keep people safe across the area.



**Follow Crimestoppers NI on Facebook**



## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS

### Ten new Neighbourhood Watches!

Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP has recently established 10 new Neighbourhood Watch Schemes, meaning a huge 87 schemes are operating across the district in partnership with the PSNI and local residents.

The Schemes are designed to tackle concerns raised by residents, particularly around anti-social behaviour and fear of crime. They offer local communities the ability to build connections and work with the PSNI to help build safer areas.

PCSP Chair Andrew Ewing had high hopes for the scheme's future:

**“By working together and looking out for one another, local communities can effectively reduce their chances of becoming a victim of crime. I look forward to working with the Scheme Co-ordinators and engaging with them at events organised for Neighbourhood Watch Schemes.”**



Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP Chair Cllr Andrew Ewing with District Commander Supt David Beck and new Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators launching 10 further schemes.

**10** Neighbourhood Watch schemes

### Neighbourhood Watch Conference

Working with their local PSNI, Causeway, Coast & Glens PCSP has organised a Neighbourhood Watch Conference where 75 Area Coordinators discussed the most effective ways to keep their areas safe.

The conference included speakers from Crimestoppers NI and the PSNI Cybercrime unit, and recognised 31 Coordinators for their contribution to the scheme.

PCSP Chair Ald George Duddy said: **“Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators are dedicated community members who volunteer their time to support their schemes. Without them, the Neighbourhood Watch network would simply not exist.**

**This dedication and community spirit has contributed to increased vigilance and crime prevention practices which we hope will help ensure Causeway Coast & Glens remains one of the safest areas to live, work and visit.”**

**85%**  
believe Neighbourhood Watch increases safety



**77%**  
use the Neighbourhood Watch Network to improve crime prevention



Samuel Kinkaid, Ald George Duddy, PCSP Officer Orlaith Quinn and Chief Inspector Ian Magee at the event.



## Fun, forest! Fun!

Gosford Forest Park staff and **Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP** have been working together to promote all the great things the park has to offer – including their absolutely fantastic off-road bike track.

The fun day included activities and meet-and-greets with NIFRS, PSNI, PCSP and Coastguard personnel, as well as a free bike marking service.

Philip Cassidy, Gosford Park Ranger: “The feedback from the public was great with people wanting to know when we are doing it again. I think this is something we can build on moving forward!”



Project Officer Billy Stewart with Sam and Lucy getting their bikes security marked



Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP Chair Cllr Andrew Ewing with District Commander Supt David Beck and local residents at the launch of the No Cold Calling Zone at Benson Street, Lisburn

## Showing criminals the door

**Lisburn & Castlereagh PCSP** have been working with the PSNI to launch a “No Cold Calling” initiative, designed to keep rogue traders at bay.

They gave out simple but effective window stickers and lamp post signage developed in association with Trading Standards to warn uninvited traders to stay away. They also include a contact number to report any dodgy deals. There are now a total of four No Cold Calling zones in the area.

PSNI Supt David Beck said: “**No Cold Calling Zones** are designed to discourage rogue traders who may be trying to sell shoddy or over-priced goods, or who try to trick their way into the house to commit a burglary. They also help to tackle fear of crime by making people feel more secure in their own homes, and give them the confidence to tell unwanted callers to leave.





Learning all about safety

## Do you want to know the truth about drugs?

**Causeway, Coast & Glens PCSP** have been working alongside PSNI, Extern, Start 360, Copius, #1PillWillKill, Oasis and Ashes to Gold to educate people in their area about drug use and misuse.

They invited people to listen to personal experiences with drugs and get up to date information from the PSNI on drug use within the area. They also saw a video made by young people from the area about their experiences of drug use.



**7**  
partner agencies involved



**95%**  
more aware of issues surrounding drug use



**95%**  
more aware of the work of the PCSP

## Stamp out rural crime in Northern Ireland

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## Spotlight on stopping rural crime

The Rural Crime Partnership in conjunction with Crimestoppers NI has launched a month long rural crime prevention social media campaign in Northern Ireland.

The campaign aims to encourage individuals in rural communities to help prevent crime by reporting any information relating to suspicious or criminal activity to the PSNI, or completely anonymously to Crimestoppers NI.

Preventing rural crime is a major part of many PCSPs work in Northern Ireland – so make sure your social media followers are aware throughout November and help promote the message.



## POLICING PLAN CONSULTATION 2020-25



## Have your say on the Policing Plan

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To get policing right, it's crucial to set out a blueprint and an agreed way to monitor how effective policing actually is.

The Northern Ireland Policing Board and PSNI are currently drafting the 2020-2025 Policing Plan, and would like to hear your views.

You can give us your thoughts by filling in a quick online survey or coming along to one of our events. Find out all you need to know at:

[www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/policing-plan](http://www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/policing-plan)

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