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na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

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TO THE MAYOR AND EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY CITY COUNCIL

Item on Agenda for Galway City Council Meeting Monday 8th July 2024

Re: Galway City Local Community Safety Partnership

In preparation for the national roll out of the Local Community Safety Partnerships (LCSP) in line with the Policing, Security and Community Safety Act 2024, three Local Community Safety Partnerships have been undergoing pilots over the past two years. It is now Government's intention to establish such partnerships nationwide.

LCSP's will replace the Joint Policing Committee (JPC) structure and will bring all the relevant state services and the community together at local authority level. This will build on the work undertaken through JPC's and supplement it by ensuring that all other relevant stakeholders necessary to constitute a more holistic forum for discussion and decisions on community priorities are present.

LCSP's align with similar approaches in related policy areas such as the Local Community Development Committees. Each Partnership will have the ability to consider the local landscape as it relates to the services already being provided, and those that are needed. Each community, its service providers and other stakeholders will be represented on the Partnership. Following public consultation, a Local Community Safety Plan will be developed by each LCSP which will reflect priorities identified by the community.

It is intended that membership of the LCSP will include residents; community representatives, including representatives of youth, new communities and the voluntary sector; business and education representatives; relevant public services in the area, including HSE, Tusla, AGS, and the local authority; and local councillors. The LCSP will have a maximum of 30 members.

Expressions of interest are now being sought from suitably qualified persons with relevant expertise for consideration for appointment as Chairperson of the Local Community Safety Partnership. The EOI was launched in each Local Authority on the week of 24th June to run until the 15th July 2024. A review and panel assessment process will then take place

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with a view to a Chairperson being appointed to LCSPs in August. Each Partnership will be supported by a dedicated Community Safety Coordinator.

I attach a copy of the LCSP Chairperson Expression of Interest document and a letter issued to all Councillors on the 26th June from the Minister for Justice which provides some further information.

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