



DMR NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION

**Community Engagement
Update**

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To all of you may I firstly wish you a happy and safe New Year. I hope that as we progress through 2021 life under restrictions will be relaxed and hopefully we move out of COVID 19 and the difficult time that has been for all of you.

This update is issued to inform and reassure you that my team here in the DMR North Central Division have continued to provide you with a policing service despite the challenges that presented. Much of our time was devoted to what I call COVID policing and I want to recognise the efforts that you have made to support us in that challenge and your compliance with the restrictions. This update is a snap shot of some of the work that has been carried out on a daily basis across the DMR North Central Division by the team on your behalf.

**Please continue to stay safe.
Patrick McMenamin Chief Superintendent**



Bridewell District News

Bridewell Community Gardaí Christmas Initiative

Community Gardaí at the Bridewell conducted a Christmas initiative whilst adhering to Covid-19 restrictions.

The initiative launched on Monday 7th December 2020 and consisted of providing a service to people of the Dublin 7 Bridewell area. Numerous items were donated by businesses in the Dublin 7 area and toys were collected from Br. Kevin and carefully chosen to facilitate the age of the children concerned.



Primary Schools were visited & students were asked to make Christmas Cards to be included with the parcels to be delivered. Just over 400 Christmas Cards were collected.



429 children, 272 homes, 95 elderly living alone, 70 children of Irish Defence forces, 60 Rescue Dogs and persons in homeless accommodation were visited by the Bridewell Community Policing Unit

All items were placed in the Bridewell Garda Station for a 72 hour quarantine period. Bags were packed carefully to ensure that all children, families and elderly were catered for. Address labels were placed on the bags and each bag was personally hand delivered by Bridewell Community Gardaí



Daughters of Charity

Community Gardaí assisted Daughters of charity to deliver hot meals to the elderly during the current level 5 restrictions.



Operation Faoiseamh

Operation Faoiseamh commenced on the 1st April 2020 with the goal of providing enhanced proactive support to victims of domestic abuse.

Travel restrictions DO NOT APPLY in the case of domestic violence or to escape a risk of harm, whether to the person or another person.

Operation Fanacht

Gardai attached to the Bridewell Garda Station are conducting a number of checkpoints in the district. An Garda Síochána continues to support communities through engagement and ensuring adherence to public health regulations.



We are #HereToHelp and always only a phone call away

Operation Navigation

Gardaí attached to the Bridewell visit various licensed premises throughout the district as part of Operation Navigation. Gardaí inspect the premises ensuring that all premises are closed during the current Level 5 restrictions.

Arrests and Crime updates

Gardai from the Bridewell are investigating a fire at the front door of a house in Annamoe Drive, Dublin 7 which occurred at 4:50am on the 24th December 2020. The lone male occupant of the house exited without injury. DFB attended the scene & extinguished the fire which caused fire damage to hall & stairs and smoke damage throughout the house. Gardaí are following a number of lines of enquiry and members of the public can contact the Bridewell Garda Station on 01 6668202 with any information regarding this incident.

A male was arrested on the 21st December 2020 as part of an ongoing investigation into the murder of Michael Barr at the Sunset public house on the 25th April 2016. Following his detention at the Bridewell Garda Station under Section 50 of the Criminal Justice Act 2007 the DPP directed that this male be charged with the murder of Michael Barr. The male was charged and brought before the CCJ courts on the 23rd December 2020 and was remanded in custody. This is the 3rd person to be charged with the murder of Michael Barr.