

Mayo Joint Policing Committee (JPC) -

- Síofra Kilcullen, Head of Community, Mayo County Council
 - Superintendent Joe McKenna, Mayo Garda Siochána
- Councillor Al Mc Donnell, Chair of the Mayo Joint Policing Committee



➤ What are Joint Policing Committees?

- The JPC provides a Forum to support **consultation and cooperation on policing and crime issues** between
 - An Garda Síochána,
 - local authority officials,
 - elected representatives and
 - the community and voluntary sectors

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“To ensure a safe and secure
environment
for all the people of the county,”

Mission Statement of Mayo JPC October 2016

➤ Key points in development

Garda
Siochána
Act 2005

Revised
Guidelines
2014

Mayo JPC
established
March 2009

2018
Getting
Results

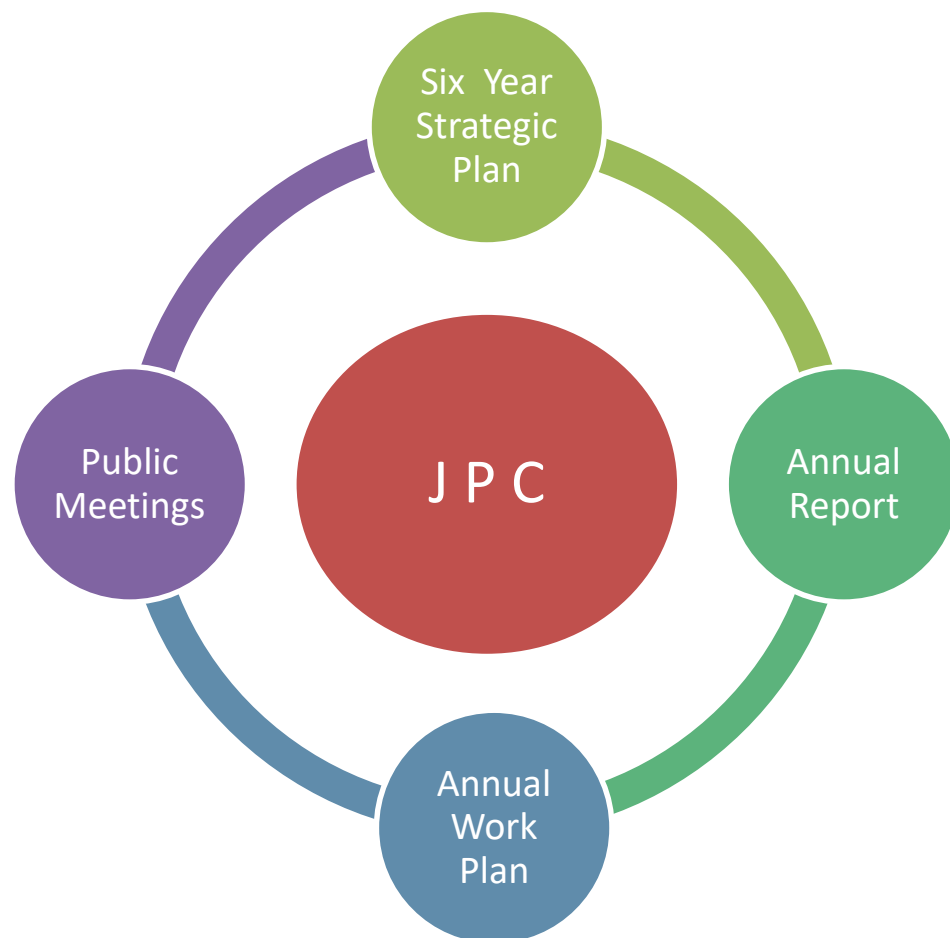
Functions of JPC

- Set out in Garda Síochána Act 2005 36 (b)
- Keep under review the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour and causes
- Advise the local authority and the Garda Síochána on how they might best perform their functions to improve safety and quality of life,
- Arrange and host public meetings concerning matters affecting the policing of the local authorities' administrative area.
- Establish and coordinate the activities of local policing fora to discuss and make recommendations to the JPC.

Membership - Mayo JPC - 31



Strategic Approach



Code of practice post 2014 Review

Strategic and be action oriented
Review crime levels and patterns
Including underlying and contributing factors



Deliver a partnership approach
and not a Q&A session



Annual report
Communications Strategy



Meetings are open to the public
Four meetings annually
One public meet annually
Spread of meetings in LA area
Option to establish Local Policing
Fora

County Mayo Joint Policing Committee Strategic Plan 2016-2021

Strategic Goal	Objectives	Key Action	Partners	Sub Committee Responsible	Timescale
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- ▶ Strategic Priorities
 - ▶ Promotion
 - ▶ Crime, Drugs and Public Order
 - ▶ Community Engagement
 - ▶ Road Safety

JPC Standard Meeting Agenda

- ▶ Minutes of Previous meeting
- ▶ Progress report on actions agreed
- ▶ Reports by Garda Síochána and local authority representatives
- ▶ Discussion on specific topic or presentation (examples include Drugs, Road Safety, Suicide Prevention, and the Criminal Assets Bureau)
- ▶ Work-plan Update
- ▶ Report Back from Sub committees if any
- ▶ Any Other Business

JPC Meetings Issues to be considered

- ▶ Should reflect on and consider issues identified in the Annual Work Programme
- ▶ Discussions should be outcome focussed and constructive
- ▶ Issues to be considered include:
 - ▶ Drugs
 - ▶ CCTV
 - ▶ Public order
 - ▶ Anti Social Behaviour
 - ▶ Vandalism
 - ▶ Estate management
 - ▶ Road Safety
 - ▶ Major emergency management and events

Engagement with Community & voluntary Groups & Other Stakeholders

- ▶ Public Participation Network
 - ❖ JPC Linkage Group
- ▶ Western Regional Drugs Task Force
- ▶ Cluid Housing
- ▶ Suicide Prevention Alliance
- ▶ Revenue & Customs



Collaborative Culture

- ▶ The JPC has resulted in a collaborative culture between local authority officials, elected representatives, local gardai and Community groups in relation to Community Safety
- ▶ Local Media attend to all meeting
- ▶ The following are some examples of initiatives which have emerged because of this working relationship

Annual Road Safety events

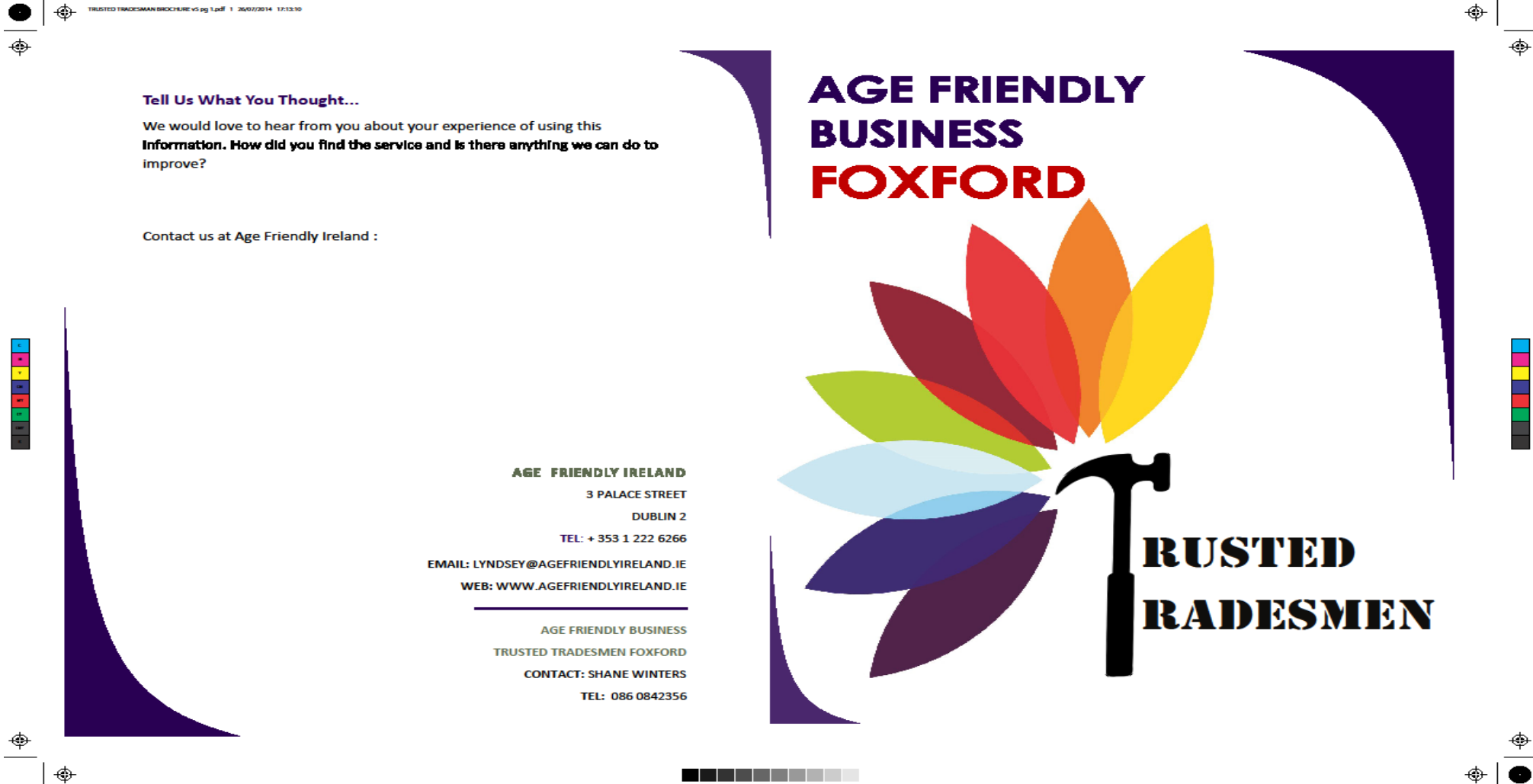


Age Friendly Initiatives

- ❖ Drive Safer for Longer Campaign
- ❖ Register of Older People - GPS coordinates - emergency service



Protecting older adults against rogue traders



CCTV Schemes

- ▶ Westport
- ▶ Ballina
- ▶ Achill Sound
- ▶ Castlebar



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**COMMUNITY BASED CCTV SCHEME
GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION**

Highlighting issues

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NEWS

Garda boss reports success in ongoing battle against drugs

But concerns raised over lenient sentences

Tom Shiel

Castlebar CHAMBER
IN BUSINESS FOR BUSINESS
Castlebar Chamber Of Commerce will hold their
AGM
on Tuesday 8th May 2018
Venue: The First Choice Credit Union Boardroom, Market Square, Castlebar
Time: 6pm
All Welcome
CASTLEBAR CHAMBER -
IN BUSINESS FOR BUSINESS

THERE have been 107 drug detections in the Mayo Garda Division so far this year - an increase of 50 on the same period last year.

So reported Chief Supt. Pat Diskin at a meeting of the Mayo Joint Policing Committee (JPC) in Castlebar.

Detections have been made in every garda district, including Belmullet, the Chief Supt. explained.

Provisional figures for the division also show that drug cultivation is up 23 per cent on the same period in 2017.

As regards the sale and supply of drugs, there have been 13 additional detections since January 1 in comparison to the first months of 2017.

There have been 83 detections so far this year for possession of small amounts of drugs (cannabis) - 35 more than in the corresponding period last year.

Of the ongoing battle against drugs in the division, the Chief Supt. commented: "Things are going well for us. It is costly. We are putting in a lot of resources but it's getting results, that's the most important thing."

Councillor Gerry Ginty, a Ballina-based JPC member, congratulated the officer on the success of the campaign mounted by local gardai under Supt. Joe Doherty against drug pushing in the town.

He said the effort into combating the drugs issue in Ballina had been noted and appreciated by the people of the town.

Criticising what he described as 'extremely lenient' court sentences in the past, Councillor Ginty told the Chief Supt.: "You and your men do a lot of hard work bringing people to court.

"I hope that the courts won't let you and the people down. Sometimes the judges take an over-benign view of things."

Councillor Damian Ryan said the conviction of a man for operating a major growhouse - described by gardai as the largest ever growhouse detected in Mayo - last week indicates the 'blight' that drugs pose in our communities.

* Cannabis with a street value of some €238,000 was seized at The Neale and a man, a Polish national, was sentenced to a total of three years in prison.

(See court report on page 10).

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MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018 WESTERN PEOPLE

25 ASBOs issued while drug crime is on the rise in Mayo

By Keith Bourke

Gardaí in Mayo have issued 25 Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) in the last two years.

The figures were revealed by Chief Supt of the Mayo Garda Division, Pat Diskin, at a meeting of the Mayo Joint Policing Committee on Friday.

Chief Supt Diskin said the majority of the ASBOs were issued in Ballina and Castlebar and have proved an effective way of curbing anti-social behaviour.

"The effect has been quite often very positive," said Chief Supt Diskin. He said the orders are usually successful in putting a stop to the problem in most cases without needing to take the matter to court.

ASBOs have to be issued within a month of the incident happening and remain in place for three months.

Meanwhile, there have been 50 additional drug detections in the county this year, compared to the same period in 2017. There were a total of 107 drug offences detected in Mayo this year.

Chief Supt Diskin said there were detections in every district in the county. Sale and supply detections were up by 30 and small seizures rose by 35, according to the provisional figures compiled by gardai.

Chief Supt Diskin said gardai in Mayo are "getting results" when it comes to drug crime.

There were 14 additional burglaries in Mayo this year. There has recently been a regional operation established to tackle burglaries across the west, with Cllr Damien Ryan noting its success in the South Mayo area.

Chief Supt Diskin said the number of Garda staff in the county has increased from 303 to 333 but noted more resources are needed in areas like Claremorris and Westport. He told the meeting steps have been taken to bolster the numbers in Swinford Garda station.

Cllr Michael Loftus highlighted the problem of boy racers on the N59. "They don't realise the consequence of their actions. They think they can do whatever they want on our roads and get away with it. I feel that this needs to be addressed," he said.

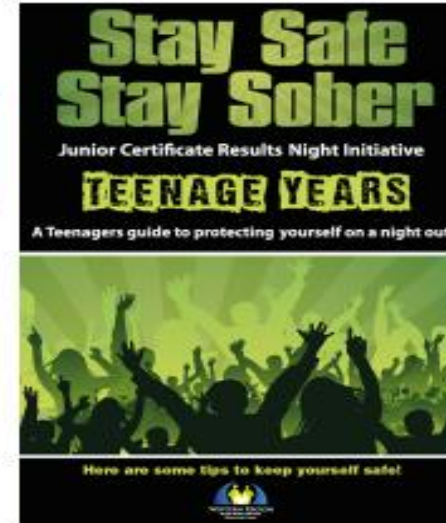
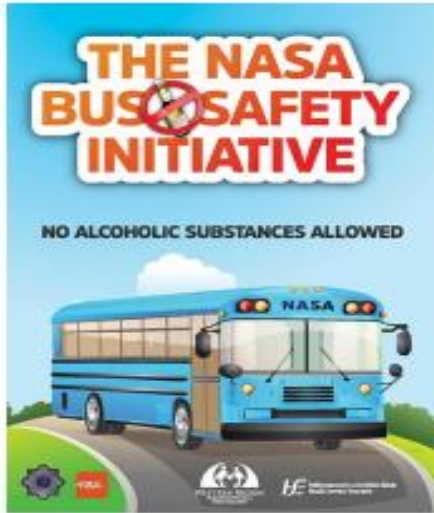
Inland Fisheries launches 'Operation Ephemera' campaign on lakes in the West

Inland Fisheries Ireland has...

Major Emergency Planning

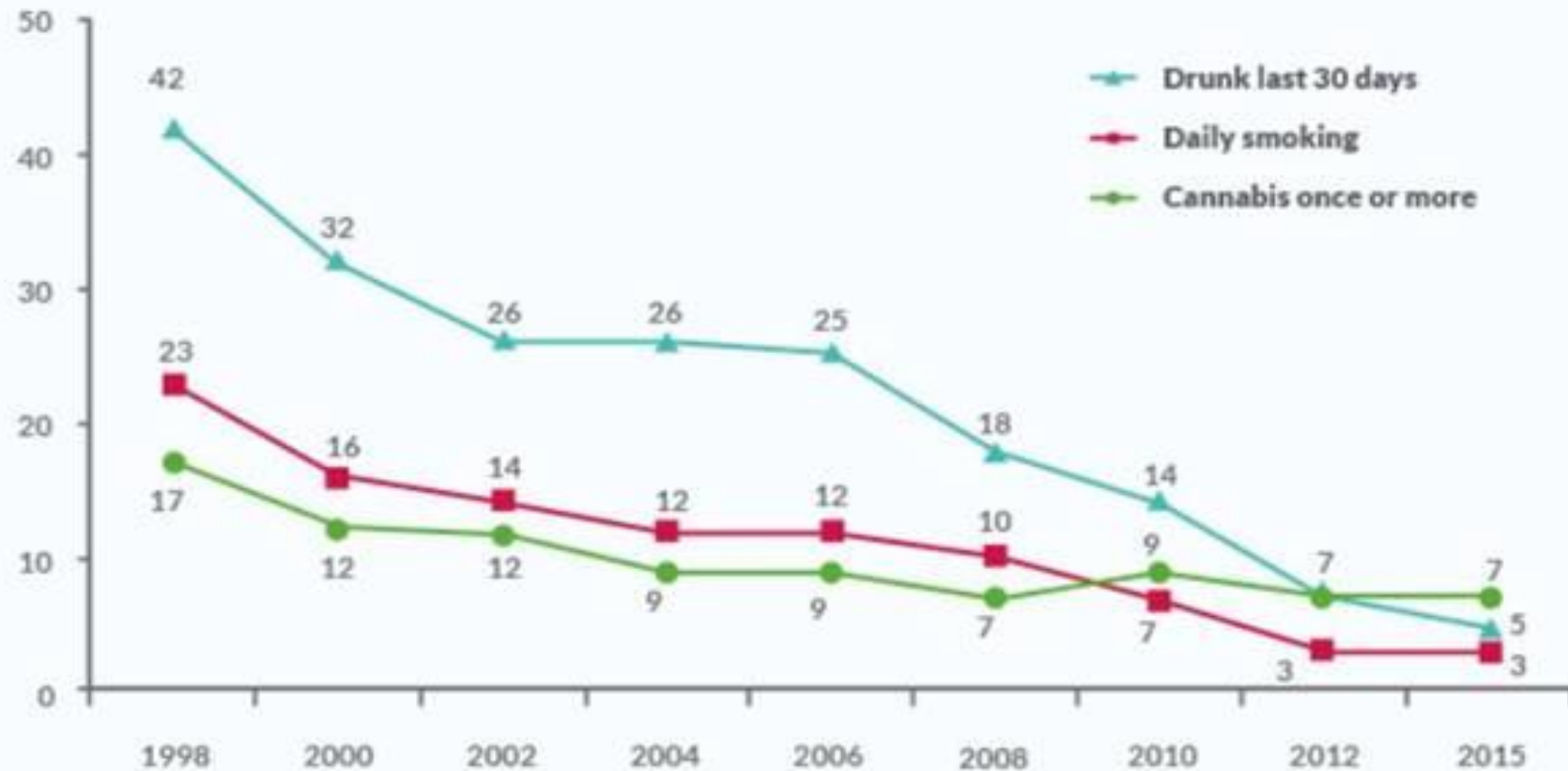


Western Regional Drug and Taskforce



New Pilot Project- Planet Youth Survey

SUBSTANCE USE IN ICELAND AMONGST 15-16 YEAR OLD



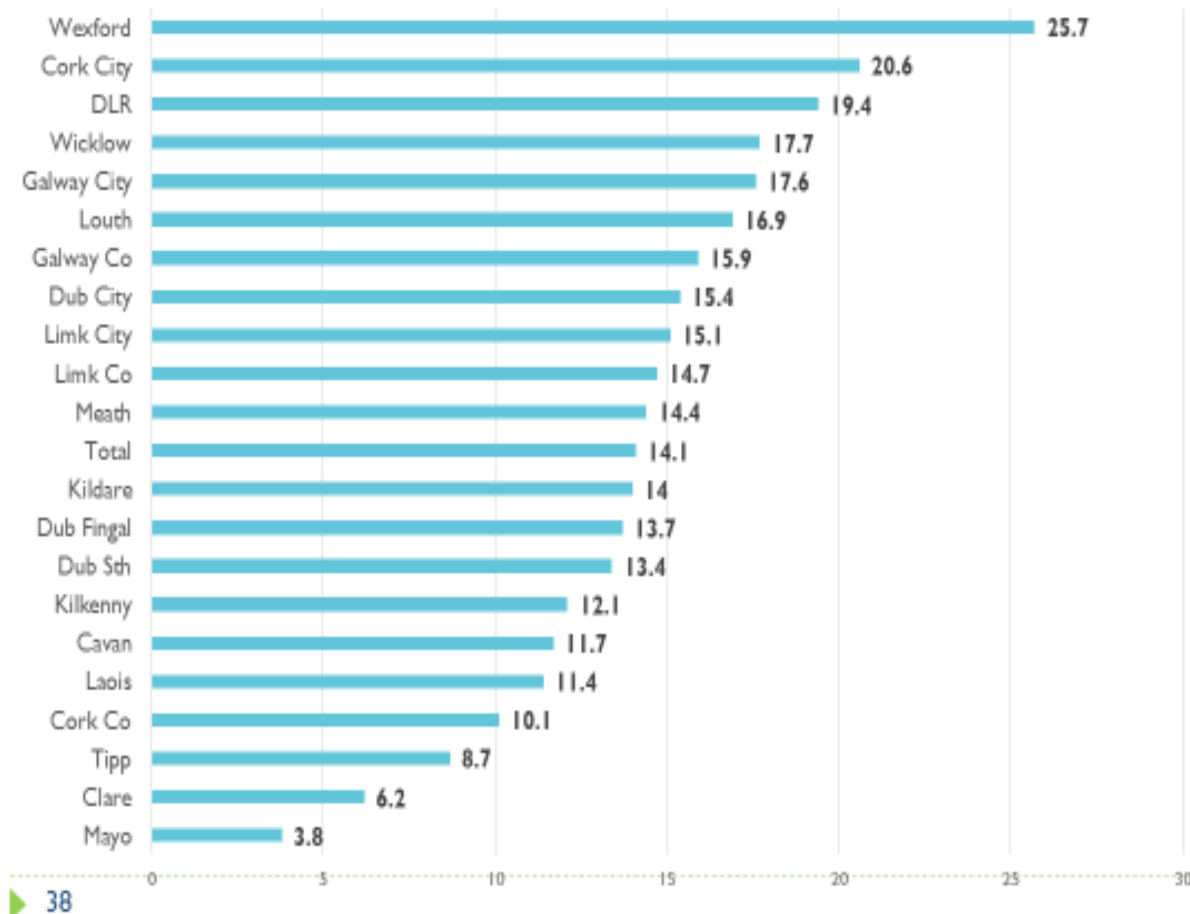
Other Initiatives

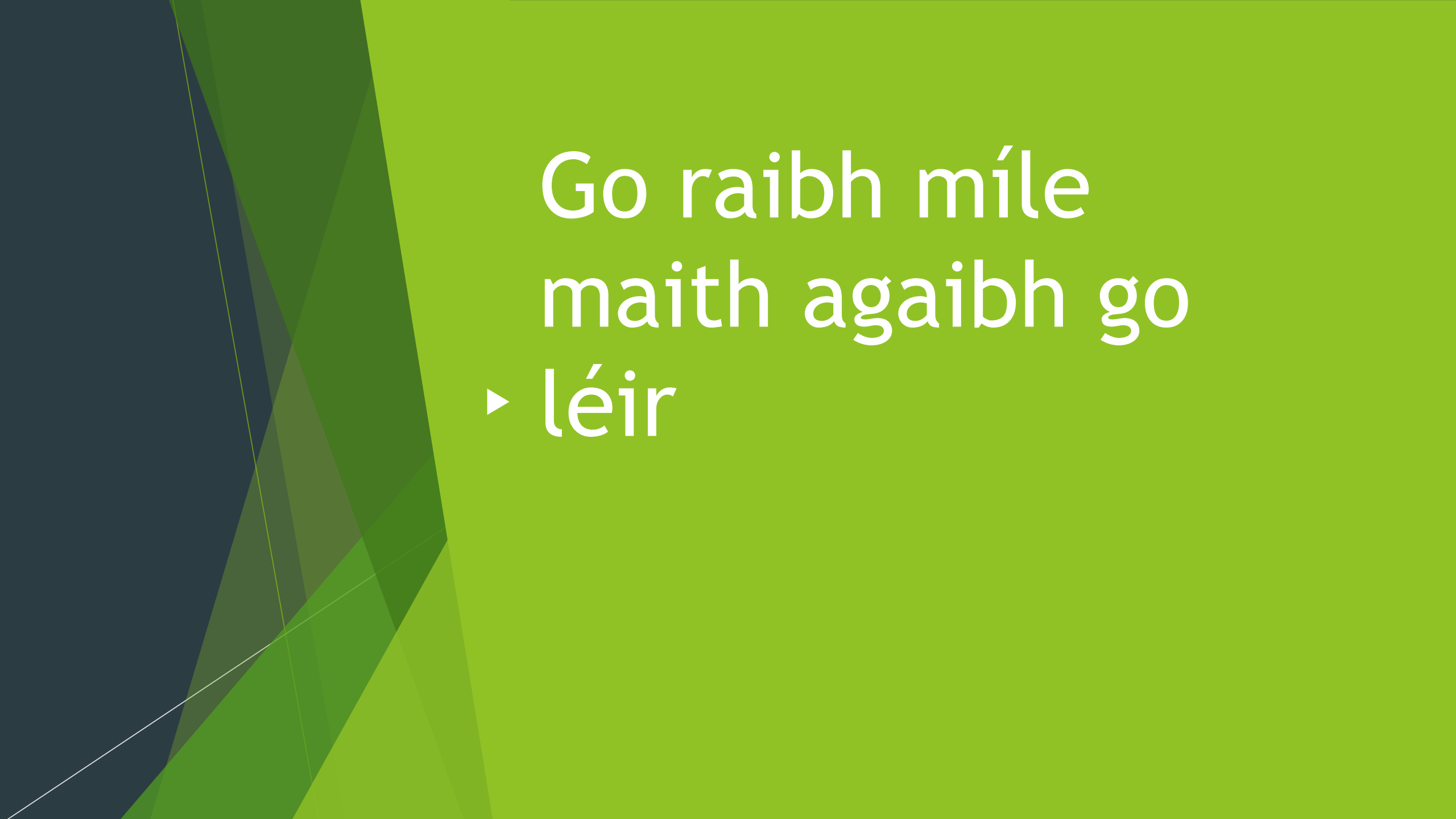
- ▶ Refugee Resettlement Committee - successful integration of Syrian families resettled under UNHCR Programmes with Department of Justice & Equality
- ▶ Sub-Committee on Coordination of Emergency Responses in relation to Suicide Prevention
- ▶ Farm Safety
- ▶ Subcommittee on Knife Crime and Young People
- ▶ Urban Horse Project

► Health and Positive Aging Initiative Survey

Had an experience that has left you concerned about your personal safety

Are we getting results?





Go raibh míle
maith agaibh go
▶ léir