

An Coimisiún um Thodhchaí na Póilíneachta in Éirinn Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland

Press Notification

Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland www.policereform.ie is live and accepting submissions

The website of the Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland (www.policereform.ie) is now live and accepting submissions from individuals and organisations on all issues relevant to the Commission's terms of reference. These submissions will form an important input to the Commission's report on the future of policing in Ireland, to be submitted to Government in September of next year.

The launch of the website facility is part of a broad consultative exercise being undertaken by the Commission nationally which will include a series of events and public meetings be further rolled out from this autumn.

Since the Commission was formed in May, it has been actively preparing its work programme, and has held discussions with the Garda Inspectorate, the Policing Authority and An Garda Siochana. Similar discussions and consultations with organisations key to the future of policing in Ireland will continue over the coming months.

Commission members are also engaged in field study visits which will inform the Commission's recommendations. These have included visits to Garda stations nationwide to draw on the experiences and expertise of frontline Garda staff.

Submissions can be made to the Commission by post (Second Floor, St. Stephen's Green House, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin DO2PH42) or through its website (www.policereform.ie) where details of how to make a submission are set out.

In order to assist the Commission in carrying out its work within the timeframe set down in its terms of reference, it is requested that submissions and views are received by 31 January 2018.

NOTES FOR EDITORS

The Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland was established by the Government in May 2017 and asked to carry out a fundamental review of the role, structures, leadership and management, ethos and culture of policing and existing oversight and consultative arrangements. The Commission will report to Government in September 2018 with recommendations on the future of policing in Ireland.

Membership of the Commission of the Future of Policing in Ireland: http://policereform.ie/en/polref/pages/bios

Terms of Reference of the Commission on the Future of Policing in Ireland: http://policereform.ie/en/polref/pages/terms_of_reference

Details on how to make a submission to the Commission: <u>http://policereform.ie/en/polref/pages/make_a_submission</u>. It is the Commission's intention to publish all submissions received once its work is complete. The Commission's website contains further information on privacy and publication policy.

Further details of the Commission's planned national consultative process will be publicised once confirmed.

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