

D.M.R. (West) – K District

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***Drug Related Intimidation Programme
Blanchardstown/Finglas/Cabra***

Overview of Drug Related Intimidation

- ▶ Garda National Drugs and Organised Crime Bureau and the National Family Support Network responded to the needs of drug users and family members experiencing drug related intimidation.
- ▶ Inspector was nominated by Garda Commissioner in every Division countrywide since 2013.
- ▶ The programme offers victims a facility to engage with a member of An Garda Síochána of Inspector Rank in a confidential manner.
- ▶ The Inspector provides safety advice to that victim and monitors the situation with a view to reducing incidents of violence.
- ▶ Safe, secure, advice and support.



Types of Drug Related Intimidation

- A threat where a complaint is made and the normal investigative process takes place
- Family member may owe a drug debt and loved ones may not know what action to take
- Referred through addiction services
- Neighbours who may be worried their properties may be damaged accidentally – collateral damage
- People coming to Gardaí for help



What to expect?

- Persons seeking the assistance of the Inspector in their area may contact their Inspector to arrange to meet with them either formally or informally.
- Safe and effective means in order to afford the person or family subject to the threat of the best level of security, advice and support which can be offered.
- Most importantly An Garda Síochána will deal with this issue in the utmost confidential and secure fashion.



What we offer?

- Confidentiality
- Frame risk and mitigate that risk
- Provide practical safety information
- Provide advice in relation to particular threats or instances of intimidation
- Provide information on appropriate drug support services for the individual in the family who is accruing drug debts
- Outline how to make a formal complaint, what is involved, what happens after and possible outcomes.



Reporting Framework

Nominated Inspector



Detective Superintendent



Nominated Inspector will liaise directly with
the local Superintendent



Resources

- Information in relation to the ‘Drug Related Intimidation Reporting Programme’ & a list of the nominated Inspectors countrywide is available on the Garda Website, www.garda.ie.
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