NORTH DUBLIN CITY AND COUNTY
REGIONAL DRUGS TASK FORCE

Working collectively for a comprehensive response to problematic drug use

STRATEGIC PLAN
2005-2008

December 2004
FOREWORD

Just over a year ago the Regional Drugs Task Force for Dublin North City and County was convened. From the outset it was clear that a large job of work lay ahead for the nominees from community, voluntary and statutory sectors, public representatives, and Local Drugs Task Forces.

Since 1997, Dublin North City and County had five Local Drugs Task Forces (LDTFs) operating with primary responsibility for the development and implementation of a local drugs strategy for their areas. Large parts of the North City and County were not served by a LDTF. The National Drugs Strategy (2001-2008) established a Regional Drugs Task Force to co-ordinate the development of drugs programmes and services in non-Local Drugs Task Force parts of the region.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the members of the task force for this tremendous input and commitment in agreeing the strategy. It is important to recognise that it would not have been possible to bring this work to completion without the excellent input of local communities, who participated so positively.

This strategy identifies guiding principles and first steps by which the business of the task force will be done over the next three years.

I believe that in coming years this strategy will be seen as marking a new era for the drugs focus in Dublin North City and County. I hope it will help sustain and strengthen a sense of shared purpose of all groups working together to resolve these issues.

*Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them to become what they are capable of being* - Benjamin Franklin

*Eleanor McEvoy*
Chairperson
Regional Drugs Task Force, Dublin North City and County
BACKGROUND

The Dublin North City and County Regional Drugs Task Force (RDTF) was established in December 2003. The regional task force was assigned the responsibility for ensuring the development of a co-ordinated response to tackling the drug problem in the non - Local Drugs Task Forces (LDTF) parts of its region (appendix 1).

Regional Drugs Task Forces are the latest structure to be put in place to direct, support and resource the delivery of addiction services and community responses to problematic drug use, following a recommendation in the 2001-2008 National Drugs Strategy (NDS).

The current National Drugs Strategy evolved following the 1985-1996 National Co-ordinating Committee on Drugs Abuse, the first Ministerial Task Force on Drugs (1996) and the second Ministerial Task Force Report (1997)

The National Drugs Strategy approach to tackling the drug problem has developed around the four pillars of supply reduction, prevention, treatment and research. Central to the approach has been the bringing together of key agencies – both the statutory and community/voluntary – in a planned and co-ordinated manner, to develop a range of appropriate responses to tackle problem drug use.

The table below highlights the lead agencies and other key players:

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                      Customs & Excise Services in the office of the Revenue Commission
                      Prison Service Naval Services                                                      | Dept of Environment & Local Government
                      Local Authorities LDTFs Community & Voluntary Sectors                               |
| Prevention          | Dept. of Education & Science Dept. of Health & Children
                      Regional Health Boards                                                              | An Garda Síochána LDTFs Community & Voluntary Sectors National Educational Welfare Board |
| Treatment           | Dept. of Health & Children
                      Regional Health Boards FAS                                                           | Prison Service Probation & Welfare Service LDTFs Community & Voluntary Sectors     |
| Research            | Health Research Board National Advisory Committee On Drugs (NACD)                       | LDTFs                                                                            |
To ensure co-ordination across the pillars the Government established the Cabinet Committee on Social Inclusion (appendix 2), the Inter Departmental Group (IDG) (appendix 3) and the National Drugs Strategy Team (NDST) (appendix 4).

In developing a new strategy for the period 2001-2008 the Review Group agreed to build on the solid foundation of the Ministerial Task Forces and recommended that the new strategy should endorse the existing approach and should expand on, and strengthen the pillars and the principles that underpin it. It should also be recognised there is widespread support for a fifth pillar, rehabilitation, which currently is succumbed under the treatment pillar.

The National Drugs Strategy’s overall strategic objective is to...
"...significantly reduce the harm caused to individuals and society by the misuse of drugs through a concerted focus on supply reduction, prevention, treatment and research”

The overall strategic aims of the National Drugs Strategy are to:
- Reduce the availability of drugs
- Promote throughout society a greater awareness, understanding and clarity of the dangers of problem drug use
- Enable people with problem drug use to access treatment and other supports in order to re-integrate into society
- Reduce the risk behaviour associated with problem drug use
- Reduce the harm caused by problem drug use to individuals, families and communities
- Have valid, timely and comparable data on the extent and nature of problem drug use in Ireland, and
- Strengthen existing partnerships in and with communities and build new partnerships to tackle the problems of problem drug use.
INTRODUCTION TO THE CATCHMENT AREA

The catchment area for this planning exercise is defined as any area in North Dublin City or County not covered by the five Local Drug Task Forces (Ref map).

As there exists no current data specific to the Regional Drugs Task Force area, it is necessary to carry out primary research (e.g. surveys) to provide evidence to support detailed planning. The appropriate methods to be used will depend on which population group the RDTF is researching.

The RDTF requires current, small area information under the following headings:
- Population
- Socio-Demographic Profile
- Accommodation
- Lone Parents
- Unemployment
- Education
- Early School Leaving
- Training and Education
- Socio Economic Profile
- Minority Groups
- Homelessness

The Northern Area Health Board recently completed a mapping exercise (Appendix 5) of all Addiction Services within its boundaries. This highlighted the fact that most addiction services are located within the LDTF areas. The Northern Area Health Board Addiction Services in the catchment area are:
- Clinic in Swords (half day per week)
- Mobile Clinic
- Outreach Worker x 1
- Addiction Counsellor x 1
- Education Officer (shared with Finglas, Cabra, Blanchardstown) x 1

EXISTING LOCAL SMALL AREA DATA:

In January 2004 the Area Development Management (ADM) commissioned GAMMA to provide statistical information on each local area. The information presented by supplied on an aggregated Electoral Division format. The following Maps provide statistical reports on an illustrated geographic distribution.

Reports were generated for (i) Fingal County Council and (ii) Dublin City Council. Relevant Maps are reproduced exactly with the kind permission of GAMMA.
FINGAL:
In Fingal, Map 1.1 - Population Density - illustrates that the current high-density areas are Balbriggan, Skerries, Rush and Swords.

Comparing Fingal Map 1.1 with Map 1.3 – Percentage Population Change 1996-2002 - the rapid growth since 1996, is in excess of 15%, for these four areas is observed.

While Map 6.6 illustrates that the population high density areas of the Fingal have unemployment rates below the national average of 8.8, observation of Map 4.1 shows that there are many areas where the population has no formal education or primary education only, as a percent of population aged over 15 whose full-time education has ceased.

Map 8.2 illustrates the changes from 1991 – 2002 with respect to deprivation. While many areas have experienced improvements there have been a similar number of areas where the trend has been towards disimprovement.

DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL:
A similar exercise on Dublin City shows areas of high density in population in Map 1.1 with some decline in the density since 1996 in RDTF areas by comparison with LDTF areas as seen from Map 1.3.

Observation of lack of formal or primary education in Map 4.1 requires reading on an area-by-area basis and is somewhat inconclusive.

The RDTF EDs illustrate, for the most part, low rates of unemployment. This is in contrast to unemployment rates for LDTF areas.

Map 8.2 illustrates that much of the RDTF area has not fared well by comparison with LDTF areas with respect to relative deprivation since 1991.

SUMMARY
In summary, Fingal and Dublin City are undergoing very rapid change with in its EDs. Local population profiles require timely monitoring, on a small area basis, if accurate evidence is to be used to feed into the planning process. Traditionally substance misuse information has been gathered and reported by the boundaries of the former health boards. In Dublin North City and County task force area this high level data lacks focus and is therefore misleading.
THE REGIONAL DRUGS TASK FORCE
The Drugs Task Force brings together all the State agencies at a regional level involved in the field of problem drug use as well as the voluntary and community sectors.

The RDTF is responsible for putting in place a strategy to tackle problem drug use specifically in its region. In addition, it has an important role to play in the whole area of prevention and is responsible for identifying and addressing gaps in service provision.

The Purpose of the North City and County Regional Drugs Task Force

- The RDTF will fulfil its terms of reference as outlined by the NDST (appendix 6) by bringing people together, from within its catchment area, to co-ordinate responses to tackling the drug problem in Dublin North City and County region, excluding the LDTF areas.
- The RDTF will maintain an up-to-date database on the nature and extent of problem drug use and provide information on drug-related services and resources in its region following the completion of the scoping exercise undertaken as part of the profiling of the region at the onset of the RDTF.
- The RDTF will base its work on evidence, which highlights the extent and location of problem drug use. Responses will be developed and regionally relevant policy proposals will be formed, in consultation with the NDST and LDTFs.
- The RDTF will promote research and models of effective practice, which send clear and consistent messages by tapping into the existing expertise or knowledge in communities. It will advocate on behalf of problematic drug users, their families and the community.
- An overall role of the RDTF is that of developing and implementing community based initiatives to raise awareness. The RDTF will take a leading role where the infrastructure doesn’t exist to develop such initiatives.

MEMBERSHIPS OF THE RDTF

The Dublin North City and County RDTF consist of senior representatives from all nominated agencies to ensure that members are capable of decision-making and influencing budgets. It includes an independent Chair, the Regional Drug Task Force coordinator (providing secretarial / administrative support) as well as representation from the following sectors:

- National Drugs Strategy Team
- Department of Education and Science;
- Revenue Commissioners - Customs and Excise Division;
• Public Representatives (nominated by Local Authority in accordance with normal procedures):
  • Voluntary Sector;
  • Community Sector;
  • Area Based Partnerships.
  • VEC;
  • Health Board;
  • Local Authorities;
  • Garda Síochána;
  • Probation and Welfare Service;
  • FÁS;
  • Local Drug Task Forces.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND VALUES

The key principles, which guide the operation of this strategy and underpin the RDTFs work, are outlined below. These principles are in line with the National Drugs Strategy.

Consultation
The RDTF will provide the opportunity for the community and voluntary sector, and those affected directly or indirectly by drug related issues to participate in the formulation of RDTF interventions, plans, and strategies through consultation processes which take regard of views, opinions, concerns, experiences and perspectives. The RDTF will ensure there are specific initiatives directed at the inclusion of groups such as Travellers, Homeless, Sex Workers and Immigrants. It is envisaged that the consultation processes will enhance acceptance and ownership of the initiatives, and to boost local support.

Quality of Access and Services
The RDTF will take a systematic targeted approach to the development of policies, services and projects under the four pillars of Prevention, Treatment, Supply and Research by developing appropriate responses and avoiding duplication while utilising and exploiting the expertise of the LDTFs. The RDTF is committed to the promotion, monitoring, evaluation and consistency of high standards of practice throughout its region.

Partnership
The RDTF will promote genuine collaborative working arrangements and the sharing of information and resources between all relevant statutory agencies, existing LDTFs, and voluntary and community groups. It will endeavour to work in partnership towards agreed goals and within clear processes of engagement and consultation among all the key players. Equality and inclusion will extend across the sector with equal parity for all voices.
Capacity Building
The RDTF is committed to providing capacity building opportunities that empower and enhance the participation of individuals and communities in the decision-making, planning and implementation of its work. By using a community development approach the RDTF can ensure, where it doesn’t exist, that suitable infrastructure will be developed to support the direct work of initiatives undertaken.

Dissemination of Effective Models of Practice
The RDTF will identify effective working models locally, nationally and internationally to adapt them to particular needs by gathering evidence based research and information. The RDTF is committed to defining and promoting models of best practice within service provision and community based responses and resourcing new and innovative projects.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Organisational Development
To ensure the on-going development, sustainability and funding of the RDTF

Strategic Priorities
- Strengthen, resource and support the Regional Drugs Task Force
- Employment of a competent, committed and flexible staff team
- Establish an office base for the implementation of the work
- Ensure reflective management and operational procedures
- Monitor and evaluate the impact of the work

Target Groups
Develop a comprehensive response to problematic drug use, which will respond to needs of problem drugs users, their parents / families and the communities in which they live.

Strategic priorities
- Consultation and Inclusion
- Identification of real, as opposed to perceived, needs both for the individual and groups
- Develop appropriate treatment services, rehabilitation, and community based responses

The Pillars
Identify key strategies within the framework of the NDS pillars which will reduce the harm caused to individuals and society by problematic drug use through a concerted focus on supply reduction, prevention, treatment and research.
Strategic Priorities

- Identify key actions within each pillar
- Ensure that appropriate supports and resources are available to implement the agreed actions
- Link RDTF strategies and actions to the NDS

PRIORITY ACTIONS

The following actions have been identified following a consultation process, which took into consideration the views, opinions, expertise and experience of the Regional Drugs Task Force members and the community/voluntary sector.

The consultation process highlighted the current situation within the catchment area of the RDTF and endorsed the objectives of the National Drugs Strategy in relation to the Pillars. The process also highlighted the necessity for specific actions in relation to organisational development needs of the RDTF.

In order to fulfil its strategic objectives the RDTF has agreed the following actions for implementation.

1 ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Rationale
The purpose of this strategic objective is to ensure that the RDTF has the resources and capacity necessary to implement, monitor and support the actions under the various pillars.

- To develop the capacity of the RDTF to carry out its terms of reference of NDS
- To ensure the implementation of the strategic plan
- To establish effective and efficient operational structures

2 SUPPLY REDUCTION

Rationale
Supply reduction measures seek to significantly reduce the volume of illicit drugs, arrest the dynamic of existing markets and curtail the developments of new markets as they are identified. They also aim to reduce access to all drugs, in particular those drugs that cause most harm, among young people especially in those areas where misuse is most prevalent.

- To increase the level of personnel and resources available to An Garda Síochána within the RDTF area
- To establish and ensure a framework for drug policy development in each Garda area within the RDTF area
• Establishment of community policing and estate management fora to include feedback to the community from Garda, Customs and Excise and to ensure more involvement in law enforcement
• To support the call for an increase in personnel and resources within the Customs and Excise sector
• To support a coastal initiative by ensuring closer liaison between the Garda, Customs, fishing community, all sea farers, local authorities and naval services
• To seek greater community involvement in licensing renewal policies
• To answer calls for submission to significant bodies regarding supply reduction in the region

3 PREVENTION
Rationale
The need for greater societal awareness about drugs is a key factor of the prevention pillar. This strategy is committed to equipping young people and other vulnerable groups with the skills and supports necessary to make informed choices about their health, personal lives and social development. Support services are critical for parents, as they need to acquire knowledge and skills in order not to be left behind by the young people.

Education & Awareness
• To provide educational awareness and information initiatives within the catchment area which supports and resources a holistic approach to education awareness.

• To co-ordinate actions within pubs, off licences, cigarette companies, social clubs or other relevant bodies highlight awareness of drugs issues

Youth work provision
• To ensure the inclusion of the RDTF in the provision of accessible, positive alternatives for young people through the expansion of the new round of the Young People Facilities and Services Fund (YPFSF).

• Establish structures and procedures for the development and delivery of appropriate youth services/projects which promote a critical social education model of practice

• To support and resource the development of existing youth services in the area to establish appropriate responses to young people at risk.

• To divert young people under 18 away from the criminal justice system by establishing Garda Diversion Projects (GDP)
Parent / Family Support Services
- To develop new and innovative approaches to adult and parent education on good prevention practice in families and communities, and constantly improve these programmes through monitoring, research and evaluation.
- Develop parent and family support services
- Establish a Parents’ Forum

Education and Awareness in Schools / Educational Centres
- To ensure the full implementation of the existing drug education policies within all schools and educational centres
- To seek the expansion of the National Education and Welfare Board, school completion programme and Boards of Management in the RDTF area
- To provide related training and awareness opportunities for school principals, Boards of Management, and Section 29 exclusion appeal Boards
- To promote the involvement of community groups in the delivery of schools drug education programmes e.g. Walk Tall and On My Own Two Feet.

Campaigns
- Implement an effective health promotion campaign to ensure continuous public awareness of alcohol and drug related issues
- To resource a programme of harm-reduction awareness promotion focusing on various drugs and aimed at various age, gender and ethnic/cultural groups
- To provide appropriate early Health Promotion interventions and campaign to curb the sale of alcohol to under age young people
- To devise implement and evaluate specific initiatives targeted at minority groups such as the Homeless, Travellers, Refugees, and Asylum seekers
- To increase the number of play grounds and facilities available to children and young people
TREATMENT
Rationale
The general thrust of this pillar is to encourage and enable persons dependant on drugs to avail of treatment with the aim of reducing dependency and improving overall health and social well being, with the ultimate aim of leading a drug free lifestyle. It also seeks to minimise the harm to those who continue to engage in drug taking activities that put them at risk.

- Assist in the development and monitoring of trends, and maintain a focus on applying appropriate treatment responses including harm reduction service and outreach as needs arise, while promoting flexibility in service delivery.

- Promoting equity of access to easy and equitable assessment, treatment and rehabilitation services across the entire region and the provision of an uninterrupted and integrated Care Plan.

- Development of one stop addiction assessment and referral points (one per community care area).

- Promotion of standardised treatment infrastructure consisting of main treatment centre, satellite clinics and with particular emphasis on the network of community pharmacies and GPs per community care area.

- Promote standard training in key work methodologies and care planning for all disciplines involved with service delivery.

- Integration of community based treatment services and prison based services to ensure seamless continuity of care on release.

- Development of joint strategy with the Mental Health Service for the appropriate care of service users with both mental health and addiction issues to include dual diagnosis services in both Mental Health and Addiction services.

- Development of more comprehensive rehabilitation/integration services to ensure progression of service users in line with their aspirations.

- Training in drugs awareness for professional bodies involved with the Courts system.

- Development of more comprehensive service to address needs of service users with HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C.

- To ensure appropriate childcare provision for service users.
To support the participation of clients and families in the design and delivery of services

RESEARCH
Rationale
The research pillar seeks to compare data on the extent of drug misuse amongst the people in the region and especially amongst marginalised groups. The research will feed into quality initiatives, systems of monitoring and evaluation, be relevant and add value in addressing the drugs issue.

The overall aim is to gain greater understanding of the factors, which contribute to people and particularly young people misusing drugs. This process will link with existing national research and databases in order to avoid duplication of existing material.

- To undertake a comprehensive analysis of the gap areas and gather local information of drug prevalence in areas of high need not covered by LDTFs
- To establish evaluation and local data collection systems on local drug and alcohol use, drug related crime, service provision, policy development in schools and drug related death
- Prevalence and patterns of use among specific target groups e.g. homeless people, Travellers, Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender young people, and children affected by problematic drug use
Appendix 1
LOCAL DRUGS TASK FORCES (LDTF)

The LDTFs were established in 1997 to facilitate a more effective response to the drug problem in the areas experiencing the highest levels of problem drug use. The Task Forces comprise a partnership between the statutory, voluntary and community services. They were mandated to prepare and oversee the implementation of action plans which co-ordinate all relevant drug programmes in their area and address gaps in provision.

Terms of Reference
To oversee and monitor the implementation of projects approved under their existing action plan
To ensure the formal evaluation of these projects with a view to their ‘mainstreaming’, i.e. their continued funding through state agencies in accordance with agreed procedures
In accordance with agreed guidelines to prepare updated plans which:
  o Update the area profile and take into account any changes in the drug problem since the preparation of the original plans;
  o Ensure that emerging strategic issues are identified and policies or actions are proposed to address them; and
  o Provide for the implementation of a local drugs strategy, in consultation with appropriate State Agencies and voluntary, community and residents groups;
To ensure appropriate representation by the voluntary and community sectors of the task force
To identify any barriers to the efficient working of the Task Force
To develop networking arrangements for the exchange of information and experience with other Task Forces, as well as for the dissemination of best practice;
To identify the training needs of Task Force members and take the necessary steps to meet such needs through appropriate training courses, etc.
To take account of and contribute to other initiatives aimed at tackling social disadvantage under the aegis of the Cabinet Committee on Social Exclusion, including the integrated Services Process, the Area Partnerships, the young People’s Facilities and Services Fund and the Report of the Task Force on the Integration of the Local Government and Local Development systems; and
To provide such information, reports and proposal to the National Drugs Strategy Team as may be requested from time to time.
Local Drugs Task Force in the Northern Area Health Board:

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Appendix 2

CABINET COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL INCLUSION

The Cabinet sub-committee on Social Inclusion is chaired by the Taoiseach and comprises the Tanaiste and relevant Ministers. The Local Development and Drugs Strategy unit in the Dept of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs regularly reports to the committee, through the Minister of State, on the implementation of the National Drugs Strategy and the RAPID (Revitalising Areas by Planning, Investment and Development) programmes.

The meetings provide an opportunity to review trends, assess progress in relevant strategies and progress and resolve any policy and organisational issues, which may arise.
Appendix 3

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL GROUP ON DRUGS (IDG)
The IDG is chaired by the Minister of State at the Department of Community Rural and the Gaeltacht Affairs. This group ensures greater co-operation and helps to maintain an effective communication between the IDG and the Cabinet Sub Committee. The IDG holds regular joint meetings with the NDST to contribute to the effective and efficient delivery of the National Drugs Strategy

The Terms of Reference of the IDG
- Advising the Cabinet Sub-committee on critical matters of a public policy nature relating to the National Drugs Strategy
- Ensuring the timely and effective input of relevant Departments and agencies into any emerging operational difficulties or conflicts in relation to the implementation of national drug policy; and
- Approving the plans and the initiatives of the Local Drug Task Forces (LDTFs) and the Regional Drug Task Forces (RDTFs) and monitoring and evaluating the outcomes of their implementation through joint meetings with the NDST.

In conjunction with the NDST
- To review the membership of the Team, every two years in order to ensure that all relevant interests are represented
- To review the workload of the NDST and satisfy itself that the level of support is adequate to carry out its terms of reference.
Appendix 4

NATIONAL DRUGS STRATEGY TEAM

The National Drugs Strategy Team was established as a cross-departmental team of the type envisaged in the SMI (Strategic Management Initiative in the Public Services). The team comprises experienced personnel from relevant Department and Agencies. The inclusion of one person from each of the voluntary and community sectors, who bring their extensive knowledge and experience of the drug problem, to the team’s work also represents a partnership between the statutory, voluntary and community sectors and works exclusively on a basis of consensus.

Terms of Reference

- To ensure that there is effective co-ordination between Government Departments and State Agencies in implementing the Government drugs strategy
- In relation to the Local Drugs Task Force
  - To oversee their establishment and assist them in their work on an ongoing basis,
  - To draw up guidelines to assist them in preparing their action plans,
  - To evaluate their plans, when submitted, and make recommendation to the Cabinet Committee on Social Inclusion regarding the allocation of funding to support their implementation,
  - To monitor development at local level, ensuring that the problems and priorities of communities are being addressed at central level,
  - To contribute to the development of Government policy on Drugs.

A liaison person from the NDST is assigned to each LDTF to maintain the effective relationship between the NDST and the LDTFs

**The following Departments/Agencies/Sectors are represented on the National Drugs Strategy Team**

- Dept of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs
- Dept of Health & Children
- Dept of Justice, Equality & Law Reform
- Dept of Education and Science
- Dept of Tourism, Sport and Recreation
- Eastern Regional Health Authority
- An Garda Síochána
- FAS, and
- One person each from the Voluntary and Community sectors
## Appendix 5

### ADDICTION SERVICES SECTOR TEAM

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Dublin 11
Tel: 01 8307051
Wed 11.00-1.00pm, Fri: 11.30-1.30pm
Dispense time:
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 2.00-3.30pm
Wed 11.00-1.00pm
Sat, Sun & B/H 9.30-10.30am

Barry Centre
Mon-Fri 9.00-5.00pm

Beldale View Darndale
Belcamp Lane
Darndale
Dublin 17
Tel: 8488951
Mon-Fri 9.00-12.00 noon, 2.30-4.00pm
Dispense times:
Mon-Fri 9.00-12.00 noon
Sat, Sun, B/H 9.30-10.30

Bonnybrook
Wednesday 2.00-4.00pm
Friday 10.00-11.30am

Coolock
Monday 10.00-12.00 noon
Wednesday 8.00-9.30

Donnycarney
Monday 1.30-3.00pm
Wednesday 10.00-12.00 noon
Thursday 9.30-11.00

Edenmore
Friday 8.00-10.00am

Howth
Wednesday 5.00-7.00pm

Kilbarrack
Tuesday 9.30-12.30pm
Friday 9.30-12.30pm 2.00-5-00pm

Swords
Monday 5.00-7.30pm

Mobile Bus – Dr Steeven’s
Mon-Fri 9.45- 10.45am
Sat, Sun & B/H 9.45- 10.45am

Empress Place
Mon-Fri 11.15-12.00 noon (WHP Driver
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<td>Jeff Moore</td>
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<td>Olive Wallace</td>
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<td>Martina Kenna</td>
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<td>Caitriona Brady</td>
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REHABILITATION/INTEGRATION SERVICES

**Ballymun RIS,**
The Axis Centre, Ballymun, Dublin 11

**Team Manager:** Rita Smith
**R/I workers:** Richard Brennan & Helene Costigan

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Fax: 01 8832101
Service Mobile: 086. 3835 069

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**Team Manager:** Rita Smith,
**R/I Workers:** Tony Stafford & Martina Mc Goldrick

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22A Main Street, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15

**Team Manager:** Niamh Moynihan,
**R/I Workers** Johanna Ivors & Vincent Grace

Tel: 8604840

**North Inner City RIS**
42c Lower Buckingham Street Dublin 1

**Team Manager:** John Mc Ginley
**R/I Workers** Ann Marie Talbot & Michéal Durcan

Tel: 086. 3835 049

**Finglas/ Cabra RIS,**
NAHB Tolco Satellite Centre, 121 Broombridge Close Ballyboggan Road, Dublin 11

**Team Manager:** John Mc Ginley
**R/I Workers:** Jim Doherty

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RIS staff operate office hours as follows: - Monday to Thursday: 9am to 5pm, Friday: 9am to 3.45pm (closed Monday to Friday 1pm to 2pm for lunch).
Appendix 6
REGIONAL DRUGS TASK FORCE

The terms of reference for the RDTFs as set out in the National Drugs Strategy are as follows:

- to ensure the development of a co-ordinated and integrated response to tackling the drugs problem in their region;

- to create and maintain an up-to-date database on the nature and extent of problem drug use and to provide information on drug-related services and resources in the region;

- to identify and address gaps in service provision having regard to evidence available on the extent and specific location of problem drug use in the region;

- to prepare a development plan to respond to regional problem drug use issues for assessment by the NDST and approval by the IDG;

- to provide information and regular reports to the NDST in the format and frequency requested by the Team; and

- to develop regionally relevant policy proposals, in consultation with the NDST.
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REGIONAL DRUGS TASK FORCE

Strategic Plan 2005-2008

Working collectively for a comprehensive response to problematic drug use

Implementation plan

Presented to the RDTF
December 04
Implementation measures for North Dublin City and County Regional Drugs Task Force’s Strategic Plan 2005-2008
## ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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<td>To develop the capacity of the RDTF to carry out its terms of reference of NDS</td>
<td>Consolidate membership</td>
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<td>To ensure the implementation of the strategic plan</td>
<td>Employment of a development team</td>
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<td>Consolidation &amp; evaluation</td>
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<td>RDTF &amp; Garda</td>
<td>To increase the level of personnel and resources available to the Garda within the RDTF area</td>
<td>RDTF (particularly community reps) work with elected reps to increase policing lines in line with increasing population trends.</td>
<td>Formally ask elected representatives to take this on and report to RDTF (On-going)</td>
<td>Consolidation &amp; evaluation</td>
<td>Garda presences in RDTF areas increased. More resources made available to specifically tackle problematic drugs use.</td>
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<td>Garda &amp; RDTF</td>
<td>To establish and ensure a framework for drug policy development in each Garda area within the RDTF area</td>
<td>To promote, support and resource the Garda in drawing up its drugs policy</td>
<td>Co-ordinated approach across the region</td>
<td>Consolidation &amp; evaluation</td>
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| 6   | Local Authority Garda Residents RDTF | Establishment of community policing and estate management fora to include feedback to the community from Garda and customs and excise and ensure more involvement in law enforcement | -Needs assessment  
-Support capacity of communities to participate  
-Ensure the identification of illicit drug dealers in the RDTF areas | -Act on findings of assessment  
-consolidate capacity building  
-ensure appropriate actions are taken regarding small and big time dealers | Consolidation and evaluation | Fora established. Increased capacity in RDTF areas to address supply issues in their area |
<p>|     |        | Links to Actions 5, 9 &amp; 11 of the NDS |        |        |        |         |</p>
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<th><strong>Customs and Excise &amp; RDTF</strong></th>
<th><strong>To support the call for an increase in personnel and resources within Customs and Excise</strong></th>
<th>-Highlight the significant passenger manifest in the RDTF area</th>
<th>Make submissions to increase personnel and resources</th>
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<th>Increased surveillance of local criminals Effective policing of airports, ports and route ways within the region</th>
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<td><strong>RDTF</strong></td>
<td><strong>Coastal Initiative</strong> - To ensure close liaison between the Garda, customs, fishing community, all sea farers, local authorities and naval services**</td>
<td>-Awareness raising (publicity) -Endorsing on-going liaison work -campaign asking all sectors to cooperate</td>
<td>Maintain the workload from year one Respond to local needs</td>
<td>Consolidation and evaluation</td>
<td>Reduction in the importation of drugs through the coast</td>
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<td><strong>Garda Dept of Justice &amp; Regional Drugs Task Force</strong></td>
<td><strong>To seek greater community involvement in Licensing renewal policies</strong></td>
<td>-Reviewing licensing policies &amp; procedures</td>
<td>-Submissions to the redrafting of legislation</td>
<td>Consolidation and evaluation</td>
<td>Local community &amp; Garda more say in Licensing</td>
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<td><strong>RDTF</strong></td>
<td><strong>To answer calls for submission to significant bodies regarding supply reduction in the region</strong></td>
<td>-Garda bill -Lord Mayors commission -Drug Courts -Arrest referrals</td>
<td>Respond as required</td>
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<td>Education &amp; Awareness</td>
<td>-Seek end of embargo on Education officers -Employment of additional education staff in RDTF area -To ensure information &amp; education on drugs and alcohol are accessibility to target different groups like Travellers, asylum seekers, Refuges, LGBT Young people</td>
<td>Education and awareness programmes devised and delivered</td>
<td>Consolidation and evaluation</td>
<td>-Education workers employed -Increased awareness re drug and alcohol misuse in both the formal and the informal education settings -Target groups informed re the issues of alcohol &amp; drugs misuse.</td>
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<td>To provide educational awareness &amp; information initiatives within the catchment area which support and resource a holistic approach to education awareness.</td>
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<td>Dept Educ &amp; Science</td>
<td>Youth work provision</td>
<td>-Campaign for YPFSF expansion -Survey the provision of youth work in the catchment areas -Support the capacity of local communities to respond to youth need</td>
<td>-Establish projects working within priority areas -Support and resource policy development</td>
<td>Consolidation and evaluation</td>
<td>Youth services and facilities offering critical social educational model of practice at appropriate times for young people (i.e. evening provision) Policy</td>
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| 13 | RDTF Comm/Vol sector | **Parent Support Services**
To develop new and innovative approaches to adult and parent education on good prevention practice in families and communities, and constantly improve these programmes through monitoring, research and evaluation.

- Develop parent and family support services
- Establish a parents forum

Linked to Actions 34 & 35 of NDS | -Needs assessment
- Outreach work
- Consultation
- Research into new approaches
- Community drug education providers to encourage parental/family participation in education & information programmes.

- Development of family support services which includes courses, counselling, parents forum, education and information programmes
- Family supports services to include grandparents | Training youth leaders | Consolidation and evaluation
- Family services and supports
- Active parents forum
- Education and awareness programmes in place |

| 14 | RDTF Dept of Education and Science | **Education and Awareness in Schools**
To ensure the implementation of the existing drug education policy within schools

Linked to Action 3 of the NDS | - Call for...
- Resources
- Staff
- Finances
- Training
- SHPE | - Ensure capacity of schools to deliver through training
- Provide training | Consolidation and evaluation
- Each school in the area will have a Substance Use Policy and a proper implementation of |
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<td><strong>To seek the expansion of the education and welfare board, school completion programme and exclusion appeals Board in to RDTF area</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>To promote the involvement of community groups in the delivery of schools drug education programmes e.g. Walk Tall and On my Own Two Feet.</strong>&lt;br&gt;Linked to Actions 29-34 of NDS</td>
<td><strong>-Support schools to not exclude drugs user</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>-explore community/school partnership opportunities</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>to principals and Appeals Board on not excluding drug users</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>-collaboration between schools and communities in delivering programmes</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Linked to actions 19, 38 &amp; 98 of NDS</strong></td>
<td><strong>To develop a campaign strategy for the RDTF following research, consultation</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>-To produce and provide information leaflets that take into account the different needs e.g. non nationals and ensure materials are provided in different languages</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Deliver a high profile Media campaign to include talks in schools given by pop stars, sports personalities and recovering problem drug users</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Consolidate and evaluate</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Successful campaigns to combat problematic drug use</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Targeted programmes</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>the SPHE curriculum.</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>-Increased awareness of needs of school going problem drug users</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>-Schools and communities working together</strong></td>
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<td>RDTF &amp; Service providers</td>
<td>To devise, implement &amp; evaluate specific prevention initiatives targeted at the Homeless, Travellers, LGBT youth</td>
<td>Consult service providers  Needs assessment  Devise strategy</td>
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<td>Projects and programmes in place to address specific needs</td>
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<td>Local authority RDTF Comm./Vol sector</td>
<td>To increase the number of play grounds and facilities available to children and young people</td>
<td>Research  Highlight priority areas</td>
<td>Plans for new play grounds</td>
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<td>Garda Diversion Projects (GDP)  To divert young people under 18 away from the criminal justice system</td>
<td>Needs assessment</td>
<td>To set up GDP in areas were a need can be established</td>
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<td>NAHB</td>
<td>Assist in the development and monitoring of trends and a focus on applying appropriate treatment responses as needs arise while promoting flexibility in service delivery.</td>
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<td>-Identify issues and blocks to development services and expansion of services</td>
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<td>Promoting equity of access to assessment, treatment and rehabilitation services across the entire region and the uninterrupted continuation of services when a service user moves location.</td>
<td>Working with LDTFs to review the boundaries in cases of significant need.</td>
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<td>Promotion of standardised treatment infrastructure consisting of main treatment centre, satellite clinics and network of community pharmacies and GPs per community care area</td>
<td>Delivery of services with available on an extended hours basis to meet needs of presenting service users in employment and an increase in capacity to meet needs of areas not currently receiving local service.</td>
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<td>Establish contact with Mental Health services Explore shared needs through</td>
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<td>Development of more comprehensive rehabilitation/integration services to ensure progression of service users in line with their aspirations</td>
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<td>Review the evaluation of the Drug Treatment Court and implementation of recommendations from the evaluation. Training in drugs awareness for professional bodies involved with Drug Treatment Courts</td>
<td>Highlight content of evaluation Implement findings -consultation -Buying in &amp; ownership of the process</td>
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<td>To undertake a comprehensive analysis of the ‘gap area’s and gather local information of drug prevalence in Balbriggan, Lusk, Rush, Swords, Skerries and Donabate</td>
<td>-Employ a Research officer to conduct specific pieces of research i.e. Poly drug use, cocaine, opiate crossover.</td>
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<td>-research effective data collection systems -implement system across the region -link with national and international systems</td>
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