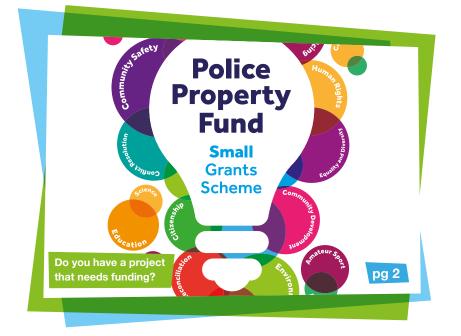
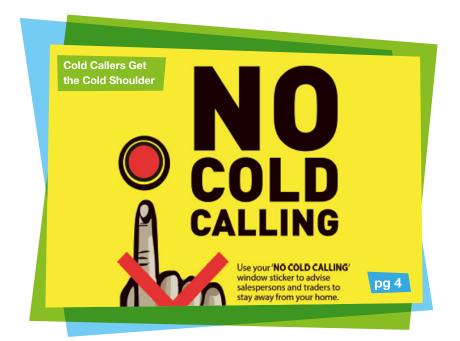
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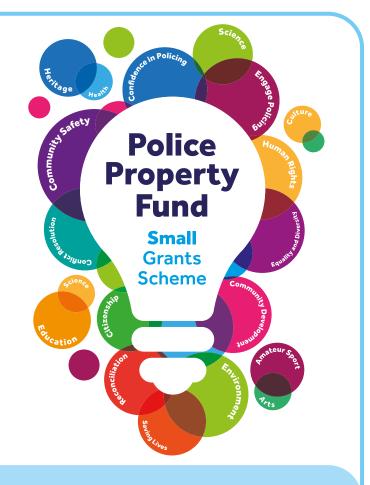
# Do you have a project that needs funding?

The Police Property Fund Small Grants Scheme is now open for applications, offering grants of £1000 to £10,000 for eligible projects. The Fund is made up of assets recovered by the PSNI as a result of criminal investigations, and grants will be awarded to projects that:

- Work with local police
- Contribute to community safety and/or building confidence in policing
- Are aligned to a charitable purpose

You can find more information, including the full eligibility criteria, on the Policing Board's website:

www.nipolicingboard.org.uk/ police-property-fund



### Hear more about the Scheme from...



Policing Board Chair Doug Garrett



Partnership Committee Chair Dolores Kelly



PSNI Chief Constable Simon Byrne





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**CYBER SAFETY** 

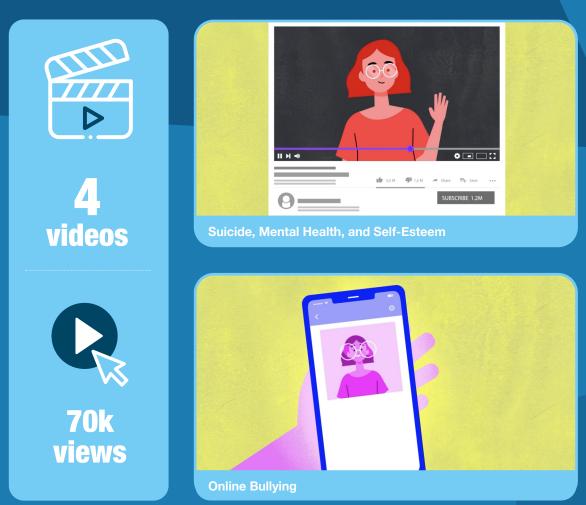
Causeway, Coast & Glens PCSP has created another fantastic suite of resources under their award-winning "Don't Worry, Be #APPY" umbrella with a series of animations about cyber safety for young people.

The PCSP sits on a working group with the NSPCC, Health and Social Care Service, and Education Authority, giving them great insight into the challenges facing young people growing up in a world that's always online, and the specific vulnerabilities they may face.

The series is made up of 5 one minute long videos, and was launched to coincide with Internet Safety Week. As well as being posted across social media and promoted by Q Radio, the videos will also become resources used within a number of local primary and post-primary schools and organisations that work with young people.



Gaming and gambling











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## **NEXT-GEN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

A key part of Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP's Neighbourhood Watch Scheme is quarterly engagement events, where many of their 110 Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators get together to discuss issues, suggest solutions and share best practice.

While COVID-19 put the brakes on these meetings, the PCSP recognised their importance and decided to move online, allowing Coordinators and the PCSP to continue engaging with each other and the Scheme to stay sharp.

Sessions were arranged by District Electoral Area and included presentations from PSNI on crime prevention, as well as question and answer sessions between PSNI Officers and Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators to help address concerns in their areas.





Constables Stephen Simpson and Simon Carey, PSNI Neighbourhood Policing Team ready to join an online event





## SCRUBBING UP WELL

Offensive graffiti is a frequent occurrence across Northern Ireland, whether you live in a rural or an urban area – sometimes it can feel like a fact of life. In Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon however, the PCSP is taking action.

Residents can report offensive graffiti to the PCSP directly or through statutory agencies. The PCSP then passes the exact location onto their contractors, who get to work removing it.



"This is a great partnership initiative that can really help people feel safer. I have encouraged all our Neighbourhood Watch link officers to work with their NHW Coordinators, the PCSP Team and our Crime Prevention Officer who have made a real effort to increase the number of No Cold Calling Zones in our area and they have done a fantastic job." Ch Insp Barney O'Connor, Engagement Lead for PSNI Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon.

## COLD CALLERS GET THE COLD SHOULDER

Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon PCSP, working alongside their local PSNI Crime Prevention Officer and Neighbourhood Policing Team, have been expanding their District's No Cold Calling Zones.

No Cold Calling Zones are designated areas with visible signage to discourage unwanted callers, and where residents are empowered to refuse cold callers. These zones tackle the fear of crime by allowing older and more vulnerable people who are the most common targets to feel more secure in their homes.

In January 2021, Armagh Banbridge & Craigavon had just 20 established zones – with the help of their Neighbourhood Policing Teams, Neighbourhood Watch, and PCSP engagement events that number has risen to over 100 in just a few months!



Graffiti from the area





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"Our local playpark was in complete darkness, resulting in an unwelcoming environment for the community and anti-social behaviour. Thanks to the grant, we now have a fully lit play area and park and a noticeable increase in community usage." Ederney Community Trust

### SECURITY GRANTED

To help continue to create safer, shared communities, Fermanagh & Omagh PCSP have established a Security Equipment Grant. Grants are designed to assist groups with the implementation of practical crime prevention initiatives such as installing security fencing, lighting, or replacing external doors for communityowned premises.

A total of £48,620 was given to schools and community groups across the District allowing them to continue their good work in the community knowing their premises are safe.



Members of Lisbellaw LOL who were able to upgrade their alarm system and fencing





Staff and pupils from Newtownbutler Cross Comm Preschool with PCSP Member Cllr O'Reilly

### DOMESTIC ABUSE AWARENESS RAISING

Newry, Mourne & Down PCSP have funded and developed a series of domestic abuse awareness workshops for hairdressers and beauticians, delivered by Women's Aid Armagh Down.

For many people experiencing domestic abuse, their salon is a safe space where they are at ease with people they trust which gives those working in the salon a unique position to recognise the signs of abuse.

The online sessions focused on how to recognise domestic abuse, the best ways to respond to clients who are experiencing it, and where to refer them for specialist support.

If you've witnessed or are experiencing domestic abuse, help and support is available.

24hr Domestic and Sexual Abuse Helpline: 0808 802 1414 or live chat: www.dsahelpline.org

**PSNI: 101** or **999** in an emergency







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## **PSNI SCAM UPDATE**

PSNI are urging the public to be vigilant after a number of scams which have involved fraudsters impersonating police officers to get access to people's personal information over the phone and online.

## SCAMWISENI PARTNERSHIP

**F** ScamwiseNI nidirect.gov.uk/scamwiseni

## JOINT PCTF/NCA OPERATION

The National Crime Agency (NCA) and Paramilitary Crime Task Force (PCTF) have conducted an operation in Carrickfergus to help stamp out drug crime.









### **STAY #SCAMWISE** WITH **CONSUMER COUNCIL NI**

March 22nd marked the first ever Northern Ireland Consumer Week, launched by Consumer Council NI. The Week focuses on a range of issues that affect consumers, including vulnerability and safety - including scams.

Working with Scamwise NI, they have produced a series of videos designed to educate the public about the Scamwise NI Partnership and how best to stay safe from scams.





Find out more: www.niconsumerweek.co.uk





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PUBLICATIONS

### Chief Constable's Accountability Report to the Northern Ireland Policing Board

The Chief Constable's Report is provided at the Board's meeting in public, and provides an overview of the key issues affecting policing and progress over the last year.

to read the report



### Policing Board's Response to the Inspection conducted by HMICFRS on the PSNI

Read the Policing Board's response to the HMICRFS inspection into how well the PSNI treats its workforce and the people of Northern Ireland

to read the report

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Organised Crime Strategy Northern Ireland 2021-2024 A multi-agency strategy to protect individuals, ommunities and businesses in Northern Ireland from organised orime

#### Northern Ireland Organised Crime Strategy 2021-2024

The strategy has been developed to consolidate and enhance the response to existing organised crime threats, as well as identifying and responding effectively to emerging crime types.

to read the report



Without Witness: A Thematic Inspection of the Handling of Sexual Violence and Abuse Cases by the Criminal Justice System in Northern Ireland

to read the report

### Evaluation of Support Hubs: Northern Ireland

Support Hubs were established in 2016 as part of the Problem-Solving Justice approach to help vulnerable people get access to the right support at the right time from the right organisations within their local area.

to read the report



Perceptions of Crime: Findings from the 2019/20 Northern Ireland Safe Community Survey

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