



Comhpháirtíocht Sábháilteachta Pobail Áitiúil Loch Garman

Wexford Local Community
Safety Partnership

Minutes of the Domestic, Sexual & Gender Based Violence Working Group

Date:	18 th May 2026
Time:	12-1pm
Venue:	Block A - 1 st Floor Meeting Room, Wexford County Council HQ.
Minute Taker	Brian McDonald – Wex LCSP Administrator
Attendance	Cllr Aoife Rose O'Brien (co-chair), Clare Williams (attended remote) Chief Exe. Wexford Rape Crisis (co-chair), Avril O'Sullivan, Comhairle Na nÓg, Liam O'Donovan Wex LCSP Coordinator Brian McDonald, Wex LCSP Administrator
Quorum:	Yes
Apologies:	Detective Inspector Padhraic Roberts, An Garda Síochána, Cllr Mary Farrell, Ann Lacey
1. Minutes of previous meeting. Cllr O'Brien opened the meeting and noted apologies from Insp Padhraic Roberts and Ann Lacey. Minutes approved and signed.	
2. Matters arising. <ul style="list-style-type: none">No matters arising.	

3. Update on actions.

(i) Update from Insp Roberts.

Brian stated Insp Roberts unable to attend but clarified he needs the request for data to be more specific. Brief discussion on a further data request from AGS. The following was agreed to request stats on the data below:

(a) Domestic violence (age 12+) incidents last 5 years

(b) Sexual violence (age 12+) incidents last 5 years

(c) Historical child sex abuse incidents(U17) last 5 years

(d) The no. of times Coco's law was implemented.

(ii) Update Clare Williams

Clare confirmed the meeting with Insp Roberts did not go ahead. However, she was referred to Garda Burke New Ross.

Clare forwarded an information email on the referral process to New Ross Gardai for any person who has been impacted in any way by domestic, sexual or gender-based violence. This will heighten awareness of the service.

Liam mentioned the Wex LCSP can assist in awareness of the service by promoting this on our WCC socials. Avril gave advice on how FDYS can assist and good practice on how to access schools. Brief discussion and agreement held on this as per actions listed below.

4. Reports.

Report submitted to the DSGBV group by Clare on the number of referrals to the service for 2025. As no report from AGS it was agreed to ask for an extension on the date to report back to Wex LCSP. This will be mentioned in the next LCSP meeting on the 28th May. Two new meetings agreed -

- **9th June** (indicative of AGS present)
- **25th August** This will allow a draft report based on all stats and evidence provided.

5. Agreed actions.

- (i) Forward DSGBV referral leaflets to WCC and FDYS**
- Clare

- (ii) Circulate leaflets to New Ross Garda Station re: DSGBV referrals and follow up with email to Superintendent.
 - Liam / Brian
- (iii) Draft wording for promoting DSGBV referrals on WCC Socials and circulate after approval from Clare.
 - Liam / Brian / Clare
- (iv) Circulate to WWETB for circulation to New Ross schools.
 - Liam / Brian
- (v) Clare / Aoife Rose to request extension for working group at next Wex LCSP on 28th May.
 - Clare / Aoife Rose

6. A.O.B.

Liam briefly mentioned Superintendent Duffy's support of a heightened awareness campaign on DSGBV support services.

7. Next Meeting

Date	9 th June 2026
Time	2-3:30pm
Venue	Block C - First Floor, Council HQ
Co. Chair	signed 
Wex LCSP Administrator Brian McDonald	signed 