



Who We Are



The PCSA is an independent, statutory agency responsible for the oversight of An Garda Síochána.

It is made up of an Authority of nine members, supported by an Executive team under a CEO.

Our objective is to independently oversee and assess An Garda Síochána to ensure the policing services provided to all communities are effective, consistent, and fair.

The way we do this includes:



Provide Consistent Oversight and Independent Assessment

Assess garda progress against the Policing Priorities 2026-2028 and other key plans and strategies



Conduct in-depth oversight on homicide investigations, policing of children and young people, roads policing, and responses to domestic, sexual and gender-based violence

Undertake 4 inspections



Monitor key enablers of policing, e.g. resources, training, and the introduction of technology



Support and Promote Community Safety

Support and engage with Ireland's new community safety infrastructure



Meet extensively with community groups and stakeholders to understand their experiences of policing and community safety



Be a Credible, Trusted, and Expert Voice on Policing

Communicate our assessments and wider work



Build our research and data capacity



Provide expert advice to stakeholders



Be a Well-Run and Effective Organisation

Develop our human rights capacity



Support our people and provide them with necessary training and technology



Maintain the highest standards of governance and reporting

