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HQ Branches

Offices of the Commissioner, Deputy Commissioners and Chief Administrative Officer



Office of the Garda Commissioner

The general direction and control of An Garda Síochána is the responsibility of the Garda Commissioner who is appointed by the Government. She is responsible to the Minister for Justice, Equality & Law Reform, who in turn is accountable to the Dáil (the Irish legislature) for the activities of the Service. The Commissioner's Office is at Garda Headquarters. She is assisted by the Deputy Commissioner in charge of Operations, the Deputy Commissioner in charge of Strategy & Change Management, and the Chief Administrative Officer. The Commissioner has a

Personal Assistant (Chief Superintendent) and a Private Secretary (Superintendent), together with an administrative staff.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner Strategy & Change Management

The Deputy Commissioner in charge of Strategy & Change Management is responsible for strategy development and performance improvement subject to the Commissioner's approval. The main function of this office include overseeing An Garda Síochána's corporate planning process, establishing change, leadership and training programmes and ensuring that strategy implementation is achieved in a coordinated and integrated fashion across the organisation. The Assistant Commissioners in charge of Professional Standards and Strategy & Training, the Head of Legal Affairs and the Head of the Internal Audit Section report to the Deputy Commissioner for Strategy & Change Management.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner Operations

The Deputy Commissioner in charge of Operations is responsible for operational policing. The Assistant Commissioners in charge of Crime & Security, National Support Services, Traffic, and each of the 6 Regional Assistant Commissioners all report to the Deputy Commissioner for Operations.

Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is responsible for the Finance Directorate which includes the Garda Estate, Fleet Management, Procurement and Services; Information & Communications Technology; Recruitment & Probationer Management, Performance Management, Human Resource Policy & Programmes and the Occupational Health Department. Assistant Commissioner HRM and the Executive Directors' of ICT and Finance report to the CAO.