

POLICE SERVICE LAUNCH - 'TIS THE SEASON TO STAY SAFE' CAMPAIGN

The Police Service, with support from Translink and Retail NI, have launched the annual operation which aims to keep people safe in the run up to Christmas.

Operation Season's Greetings will run into January and ensure that resources, including highly visible patrols, are deployed across all parts of Northern Ireland to deter and detect criminality and provide visible reassurance to the public.

This year, the police will mainly focus on public safety across a range of priorities including shopping, roads and transport, safety in the home and safety when out and about and socialising. The operation will have a particular focus on violence against women



and girls with an increased presence in nightlife areas, working with the hospitality industry and other partners to improve safety in public spaces.

The Police Safe Transport Team is also working closely with Translink to ensure passenger and staff safety across the public transport network at this busy time of year. Translink will also provide a range of additional late night services to assist people to get safely home.

They will also take active steps to support all victims of domestic abuse. In the past there has been an increase in domestic abuse incidents over the Christmas period and the police want all victims to know that they are there for them.



(L-R) Ian Campbell, Translink Director of Service Operations, Davy Beck, Chief Superintendent for Loc Policing, Police Service of Northern Ireland and Glvn Roberts, Retail NI Chief Executive

Speaking at the launch Chief Superintendent for Local Policing, Davy Beck, said: "I am pleased to announce the launch of Operation Seasons Greetings today. This year will see a focus on public safety across a range of priorities including shopping, roads and transport, safety in the home and your safety when out and about and socialising. We have teamed up with partners such as Translink and Retail NI to deliver guidance and ensure everyone has the best experience possible.

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