## GRA members vote to accept 'Building Momentum' Public Service Agreement [2021-2022]

MEMBERS of the Garda Representative Association have resoundingly voted to accept the terms offered under the latest Public Service Agreement as recommended by the Central Executive Committee (CEC). The Vote, which was counted and overseen by independent auditors, Quintas, was passed by 74% 'Yes' compared with 26% 'No'.

Prior to the ballot, the GRA Central Executive Committee had considered the content of the Building Momentum proposals and were satisfied that these proposals protected the members' interests regarding ongoing change and modernisation of An Garda Síochaná and its workplaces.

GRA Interim General Secretary Philip McAnenly reacted to the result by saying, "It has been a difficult time for all members of the Association policing during the pandemic and the subsequent reopening and we believe this has been recognised within these proposals.

"The result of today's ballot will see a pay increase of up to 4.2% for our members at the beginning of the scale, with effect from October 1<sup>st</sup>, with similar increases in February and October 2022, representing a minimum increase of €1,515 per year for our members."

GRA President Frank Thornton also welcomed the news, saying: "The Association and its Executive tirelessly examined these proposals and had recommended that they were accepted in the best interests of its membership.

"We appreciate that this matter can now be resolved and we can concentrate on the important work that is currently being undertaken by the GRA on behalf of its members."