GARDA SÍOCHÁNA OMBUDSMAN COMMISSION PRESS RELEASE

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UPDATE to the below:

It has been confirmed that the man who died in this morning's incident has been named as Eamon Carroll, aged 32 of Bellurgan, Co. Louth.

Fatal road traffic incident in Co. Louth

A road traffic collision involving a garda patrol car and a pedestrian was referred to GSOC in the early hours of this morning.

The collision took place at approximately 1:20am outside Bellurgan, on the main Carlingford to Dundalk road, the R173, and resulted in the death of the male pedestrian in his 30s.

GSOC sent a team of investigators to the scene, which is still closed and undergoing forensic collision investigation, with diversions expected to remain in place until mid-morning.

GSOC are appealing for witnesses, or anyone who may have information relevant to the investigation to make contact, using the locall number 1890 600 800.

The incident was referred to the Garda Ombudsman for independent investigation in accordance with Section 102 of the Garda Síochána Act.

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