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**BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE  
CHIEF OFFICER GROUP MEETING  
MONDAY 02 JUNE 2008**

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**Present**

Chief Constable Ian Johnston  
ACC Paul Crowther  
ACC David McCall  
ACC Steve Thomas  
Linda Scott  
ACC Alan Pacey  
Sharon Burd  
Jake Trees  
Marie Daniels  
Deepa Bidd

**Apologies**

DCC Andrew Trotter

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**1. Urgent Business**

- 1.1 ACC Thomas gave an update on events over the weekend. A debrief will take place between TfL and LU to discuss how this was managed and what plans should be put in place should a similar event happen next weekend. The Chief Constable asked that ACC Steve Thomas ensure Ch Supt Miles Flood gets involved in this debrief. ACC Alan Pacey will ensure Events Planning have a strategy in place. ACC Paul Crowther will monitor any intelligence on a similar event occurring next week. The Chief Constable will speak to Mike Brown or Jereon Weimar regarding the reputational impact and risks of this happening again.

**Action: ACC Alan Pacey, ACC Paul Crowther, ACC Steve Thomas, Chief Constable**

- 1.2 Press coverage on the launch of the final crime statistics was very successful and positive with approximately 100 pieces of coverage going out.

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**2. Actions from Previous Meeting**

2.1 Actions from the previous meeting were discharged.

**3. Chief Constable**

3.1 The agenda for the SB&PM Committee was agreed. It was agreed that in future all Police Authority Committee papers would be circulated to all of COG for any comments / observations at the COG meetings immediately before the relevant Committee meeting.

**Action: Marie Daniels**

ACC Paul Crowther will speak to the Police Authority on the MoU with the NPIA on the £1.9m funding for mobile data.

**Action: ACC Crowther**

3.2 Pensions

The Chief Constable will raise pensions at the A&CG Committee.

**Action: Chief Constable**

**4. ACC Operations**

4.1 COG Messaging service

ACC Alan Pacey presented COG with options around having an on-call messaging service, COG will be sent an SMS on an incident which will be of interest to them. COG agreed provisionally on Option 3 of the paper, using an external service provider. It was important however, that messages state whether the on call Chief Officer has been apprised of the incident. This procedure should not supplant the line of command notification process.

**Action: ACC Alan Pacey**

4.2 BTP Utilisation of section 44

The need for the wider rollout of BASS training will be submitted to the Force Training Board with COG's support for an assessment of where it should fit into the current programme of training.

**Action: Linda Scott**

4.3 Op Alert Review

ACC Alan Pacey updated COG on the Op Alert Review.

4.4 Events Policing

ACC Alan Pacey presented the current Events Planning table. All have been allocated with command structures in place.

**5. ACC Crime**

5.1 PDRs

Linda Scott will run the moderation process for the Chief Superintendents with ACC Alan Pacey, ACC Steve Thomas and ACC Paul Crowther.

Assessments will be made for Superintendents and if necessary, a moderation process will be created

**Action: Linda Scott**

**6. ACC London & Olympics**

6.1 ACC Steve Thomas updated COG on the Uniform and Body Armour project. There will be a delay in getting the uniform. We cannot get a contract signed until January 2009. The Chief Constable asked Sharon to check that provision for body armour is included in the 09/10 capital budget.

**Action: Sharon Burd**

6.2 The LN Area budget was discussed. LN Area have a number of vacancies to be filled for which they do not seem to have a budget. The Chief Constable asked that Strategic Development Department report on police officer numbers for each Area, broken down by year from 2003/04 to present. The figures for each Area should identify the split between the numbers of core officers and the numbers of ring-fenced officers. Figures to be presented to COG in two weeks time.

**Action: Marie Daniels**

**7. ACC Scotland**

7.1 ACC McCall updated COG on the move to the new Scottish Area Headquarters.

**8. HR Director**

8.1 Police Staff Employment Package

The business case for the Police Staff Employment Package Project was presented and Option 3 agreed.

8.2 Recruit of additional 50 officers

COG approved the special recruitment process for the additional 50 officers.

**9. Finance & Corporate Services Director**

9.1 BTP have been awarded the Barclaycard Business Award for procurement facilities provided to staff.

9.2 A paper will be presented to COG on 9 June on the budgetary position for 2008/09.

9.3 Head of Finance Department, Nick Khinch will be leaving BTP at the end of June.

**10. Strategic Development**

10.1 COG noted the paper on effects of immigration on BTP.

10.2 Frontline First update

Martyn Ripley reported on the Frontline First Programme. The Chief Constable would like a more specific proposal of work for the identified efficiency areas with timescales over the three year planning period and details of who will be delivering.

**Action: Martyn Ripley**

It was agreed that the definition of efficiency would be taken from the Flannagan report. The Chief Constable asked Marie to obtain this.

**Action: Marie Daniels.**

It was also suggested that the Areas provide an update on the efficiency programme at the Finance review meetings every quarter.