

**BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE
CHIEF OFFICER GROUP MEETING
MONDAY 8 DECEMBER 2008**

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| Title and Version: | Chief Officer Group Meeting |
| Summary: | Notes and Actions |
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Present

DCC Andrew Trotter
ACC Alan Pacey
ACC David McCall
Linda Scott
ACC Paul Crowther
ACC Steve Thomas

Apologies

Chief Constable Ian Johnston
Sharon Burd

In Attendance

Andrew Clarke
DCS Mark Smith
Leigh Stringer
Marie Daniels
Jo Bird
Deepa Bidd

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Weekly Update

- 1.1 ACC Operations updated COG on the week's events.
- 1.2 Media
Jo Bird updated COG on the review into the investigation by the Metropolitan Police into the leaking of government information which is being conducted by the Chief Constable.
- 1.3 The Deputy Chief Constable would like COG to update on current work of following critical incidents as well as new incidents. Marie Daniels will liaise with COG, Area Commanders and Departmental Heads to put together a table of current critical incidents so an update can be given at each meeting.

Action: Marie Daniels

2. Actions from Previous Meeting

- 2.1 The action arising from the meeting on 17 November was discharged.

3. Deputy Chief Constable

3.1 COG noted the BTP Regulations 2008 following the Home Office's introduction of Regulations which bring the Taylor recommendations into effect.

3.2 Special FMT

COG reviewed the actions agreed from the Special FMT meeting which took place on 27/28 November 2008. Action 5 regarding the review of rosters will be presented to FMT in January. Agenda item 7 regarding football policing and the Policing Plan will be brought to FMT on 18th December.

Action: Marie Daniels

4. ACC Operations

4.1 ACC Pacey briefed COG on the Home Secretary's announcement regarding the extended use of Taser and the possible options for BTP. A discussion was held around training needs and costs. It was agreed that this will be revisited following the additional testing by the Home Office Scientific Development Branch on the safety implications of Taser within the railway environment.

5. ACC Crime

5.1 DCS Mark Smith and Andrew Clarke presented a paper outlining budget pressures for the Crime Department. The Deputy Chief Constable asked that Andrew Clarke and DCS Mark Smith prepare a well presented, robust paper to the Police Authority on the Crime Department budget pressures and what plans are in place.

Action: Andrew Clark

6. ACC London & Olympics

6.1 ACC Thomas invited comments from COG on the draft letter to him from TfL regarding the 50 officers from the Mayor and other overground policing issues. The Deputy Chief Constable will raise this at the Police Authority fortnightly meeting. It was agreed that a smaller group should meet to agree the detail of our response.

7. ACC Scotland

7.1 ACC McCall updated COG on recent events concerning the Chief Executive of the Scottish Police Services Authority.

8. HR Director

8.1 Linda Scott provided an update on the Equal Pay project. It was agreed that a contingency plan should be in place around possible strike action by police staff within Operations departments.

- 8.2 Chief Inspector Boards
The Deputy Chief Constable asked that Linda Scott look into what vacancies there currently are and what may be coming up.
Action: Linda Scott

- 10. **Finance & Corporate Services Director – represented by Leigh Stringer**
- 10.1 Leigh Stringer presented a draft internal audit report on estates which is due to go to the A&CG meeting on 18th December.

- 11. **Strategic Development**
- 11.1 Marie Daniels updated COG on the recent HMIC inspections. They will give the Deputy Chief Constable a full debrief on 16 December.