

**BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE
CHIEF OFFICER GROUP MEETING
MONDAY 20 APRIL 2009**

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Summary:	Notes and Actions
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Present

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

Apologies

Chief Constable Ian Johnston
ACC McCall
Sharon Burd

In Attendance

Marie Daniels
Jo Bird
C/Supt Peter Zieminski
Leigh Stringer
Elaine Derrick

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Urgent Business

- 1.1 The policing operation for the FA Cup semi finals had been successful, including the use of the FHQ Control Room for this operation.

45% of staff in the control rooms and FCC came into work during the industrial action over the weekend, and resources were supplemented by police officers. A high level of performance was maintained throughout the weekend.

- 1.2 COG noted the critical and notable incident log.
- 1.3 Forthcoming events over the next few weeks include the London Marathon, football play offs, and the FA Cup final. Operational orders for these events are already developed.

2. Actions from Previous Meeting

- 2.1 The update on actions arising from the previous meeting on 6 April were noted.

3. Deputy Chief Constable

- 3.1 The DCC attended a Gold meeting at NSY regarding complaint management following G20. 89 people were arrested during the protests

and a crime investigation into these arrests is ongoing. 2 complaints have been received against BTP officers which will be dealt with by PSD. A notice has been issued reminding officers to wear their epaulettes on their outer garment at all times.

- 3.2 Andrew Watson provided an update on recent technology issues:
- FIS is now back up after taking 2 days to replace faulty hardware
 - An order has been placed to increase the speed of the network. Once installed this should result in significant improvements throughout BTP.
 - Some Blackberrys are still not working to full functionality and this will be chased up. **Action : Andrew Watson**

4. ACC Operations

- 4.1 COG discussed options to resolve the issues over paid meal breaks within the Control Rooms and FCC. ACC Pacey was given approval to open negotiations with staff and report back to COG with a resolution, noting any additional funding would need to be found from within existing budgets.
- 4.2 COG agreed to move ahead with Incident Exchange and agree protocols with participating forces as to what incidents BTP will accept.

5. ACC Crime

- 5.1 No items to note.

6. ACC London & Olympics

- 6.1 ACC Thomas will liaise with BTPA regarding the PSA for CTRL.
- 6.2 ACC Thomas chaired a Uniform Committee meeting where he provided a full update on the replacement uniform to Federation attendees. ACC Thomas will also arrange for the uniform policy to be updated to state officers can wear a nose stud for cultural / religious beliefs.

7. HR Director

- 7.1 COG discussed the Police Staff Employment Package (PSEP) project and agreed HR should continue with its implementation strategy. HR will look at some alternative solutions including job evaluation, development of a job description library, and simpler salary structure. Any changes to pay and terms and conditions will initially be implemented on a voluntary basis. A progress update to be provided to COG in 6 weeks time and a detailed update following the evaluation of all JDs to be provided to COG in 3 months time.

8. Finance & Corporate Services Director – represented by Leigh Stringer

8.1 Leigh Stringer provided an update on key pieces of work currently being undertaken by Estates. The tenders are in for the custody suite at Brewery Road and work is taking place on gaining planning permission. If agreed the custody suite should be complete by the end of the year. The CT relocation to Blundell Street is on target, and the accommodation for HR at Birmingham is due for completion on 3 May with staff moving in in June.

9. Strategic Development

9.1 COG noted the update on performance against the 2008-09 Policing Plan targets. BTP achieved 18 of its 22 national targets.

9.2 NAO consultants have asked to meet BTP to find out about collaborative project working BTP have been involved in. COG were asked to inform Marie Daniels of any such projects she can share with NAO. **Action : COG**

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