# Major Incident – North Kensington London SCG Minutes: 06:30, 14 June 2017

MEETING London Strategic Coordinating Group (SCG)

**DATE** 14 June 2017

**TIME** 06:30

PLACE Teleconference

## 1 Any urgent business

- 1.1 St. Mary's hospital are receiving numerous affected people in search for support and accommodation. The hospital requires support from RBKC to deal with these people and the location and address of rest centre to signpost people. RBKC to contact the hospital to deal with this.
- 1.2 RBKC are in the process of consolidating their open rest centres into only one, which will be located at W11 1PZ.
- 1.3 Clarity is required whether there will be a temporary mortuary / body holding centre near the scene.
- 1.4 The Coroner to liaise with NHS / LAS re casualty / fatality numbers.
- 1.5 LFB have requested MCA support, however this is no longer required.
- 1.6 A contact number for advice and support to be shared with the public as soon as possible.

#### 2 Introductions

2.1 Introductions were made, see attendees list for more details.

#### 3 Situation brief

- 3.1 LFB update (approx.. 1 hour old) fire is ongoing from 4<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> floor with small partial collapses. BA deployed as far as 6<sup>th</sup> floor, EDBA deployed as far as 13<sup>th</sup>/ 14<sup>th</sup> floor. The structural integrity of the building has been assessed, at the moment there is no reason to assume that a catastrophic collapse will happen. Firefighters are accessing the building using shields to protect themselves from falling debris. The 30 pump relief has been down-scaled to a 20 pump relief.
  - LFB is using restricted attendance and cover arrangements to ensure the rest of London remains covered.
- 3.2 MPS have approx.. 100 officers on scene. There were some issues at the cordons earlier regarding access and getting information on residents within; this has been dealt with.
- 3.3 Casualty bureau is now open: 0800 796 1233
- 3.4 LAS have 44 ambulances involved, 54 casualties conveyed, 6 people have been declared dead so far (not for release). NHS is taking all measures to be able to deal with

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- casualty numbers, at the moment London hospitals can deal and no external assistance is required.
- 3.5 RBKC are in the process of consolidating rest centres into one centre only, this will be located at W11 1PZ. Full contact details to be shared asap. There are 2 LALOs on scene, these will be relieved within the hour. RBKC BECC is open and will remain so for the remainder of today. RBKC Gold will meet at 1100 today.
- 3.6 TfL reports that the A40 is still closed and will remain closed for a time. Command and control have been stood up at Palestra to deal with traffic issues. Information for the public available on Twitter and TfL website.

## 4 Strategic Aim and Objectives

#### Strategic Aim:

 To maintain an effective emergency response, preserve life, minimise the impact on London while the incident at Latimer Road is ongoing, and support the return to normality.

#### Strategic objectives:

- Preserve life and prevent further loss of life
- · Minimise impact of the incident
- Provide support for those affected by the incident
- Provide continuity across London
- Ensure health and safety of responding staff
- · Provide information to the affected community and to the public
- Aid the return to normality

## 5 Mass Fatalities Response

- 5.1 Coroner to get in touch with SIM to establish mass fatalities response.
- 5.2 RBKC can provide support to the Coroner if required.

#### 6 Communications

- 6.1 The number of the casualty bureau will be published asap. NHS / LAS still await newest numbers on casualties / fatalities; at the moment figures cannot b e shared yet.
- 6.2 Chair asked LRCG to work on comms messages and update the SCG at the next teleconference at 0830 today.

## 7 Recovery

- 7.1 Recovery issues will be discussed internally at RBKC; an update should be available at the next SCG
- 7.2 The humanitarian assistance process will be established within RBKC with the possibility to open a HAC at some point. They will seek advice from Andrew Meek if required.

## 8 Any Other Business

- The Mayor will be at the opening of Borough Market this morning. It is expected that he will be questioned on the incident by the press. Following the opening of the market, he will probably move to the incident site (TBC)

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- Next meeting 14 June 2017 / 08:30

#### **Attendees**

Organisation	Name
MPS	Neil Jerome, Joe Stokoe, Collette
London Resilience Group	Toby Gould, Matt Hogan, Manuela Roedler
LFB	Richard Mills, Ian Frost
NHS England (London)	Kadir Mir
Local Authorities	Stuart Priestly (Kensington & Chelsea Silver) David Kerry )Kensington & Chelsea EP) Dr. Fiona Wilcox (Coroner)
HSE	Tim Galloway
LAS	Stuart Price
Thames Water	Rob Clemons
DCLG Government Liaison Officer	Denise Welch
GLA	Jon-Paul Graham
TfL	David Reid