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Subject: Finsbury Park Incident 19 June - Moslem Welfare Centre Statement
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Copy of the Moslem Welfare Statement attached for info.

Luke Miller (Chair, Faith Sector panel) is aware of the incident and will alert his network. The Bishop of Stepney will attend to 1100 Gold in Islington.

Regards

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Subject: Summary of Local Authority Teleconference - Finsbury Park Incident 19 June

Held at 0900 19 June 2017

Attendees

- Chris Naylor, LB Barking and Dagenham. LLAG (except Grenfell Fire)
- Paul Martin, LB Wandsworth. Reserve LLAG
- David Chapot – LBH&F Acting PREVENT lead
- Doug Paterson, LB Bromley and support to LLAG Grenfell Fire
- Eleanor Kelly, LB Southwark and support to LLAG Grenfell Fire
- Lesley Seary, LB Islington
- Hamish Cameron, LRG, facilitator and secretary

Situation

Approx 0020 on Monday 19 June there was an incident near the Moslem Welfare House (off Seven Sister's Road). People exiting the mosque were giving first aid to a person who had collapsed when a white van was driven into the group resulting in one dead and (tbc) 8 injured. The van driver was detained by people at the scene then arrested by police. Cordons in place with impacts on traffic in Islington and neighbouring boroughs.

LB Islington opened its BECC, opened an FFRC at the request of MPS and Chief Exce and Leader deployed to scene overnight – local action being taken on community issues including visit by Jeremy Corbyn.

Command arrangements:

- MPS declared this a Plato incident. Multi-agency aspect of that response now closed and MPS at pan-London level are treating this as a police issue. Counter-Terrorism Command is investigating
- Borough Multi-agency Gold planned for 1100 today
- COBR meeting planned for 1000 today.
- From Local Authority perspective LB Islington is leading.
- **Action – Lesley Seary to forward info from Borough Gold meeting if possible, by text, to John Barradell**

Community Impact

- Crowds gathered in area at around 0130 but quiet by 0600.
- Local concerns at first police statement which mentioned “mental health assessment” for the arrested person. Local concern at perception of “whites get mental health assessment/blacks get called terrorists”
- Various baseless rumours in the area early in the morning
- Concerns also at length of time for MPS to issue statement – this would have helped manage rumours locally.
- Moslem Welfare Centre mosque, with support of LB Islington have issued statement.
- Some concern around potential for spread of tension across London, especially because of media reports linking the incident to the Finsbury Park Mosque (which is incorrect)
- It is Ramadan:
 - Prayers at night therefore mosques are busy at night
 - In Islington women have expressed fears for their safety travelling to and from mosques at night

Actions

- Lesley Seary to forward copy of Moslem Welfare Statement if possible.
- Hamish Cameron to communicate with Faith Sector Panel to ensure chair is aware

Community Cohesion

In addition to actions above:

- London PREVENT staff communicating with local contacts to collect information and offer reassurance
- Home Office in touch with PREVENT network.
- [Refugee Week](#) this week
- **Actions**
 - PREVENT staff to be aware of Refugee week
 - LLACC to ask BECCS to report by exception on community cohesion issues.

Comms with the Public

- Important that the response to the incident is seen to be as significant as an alleged Islamist terrorist incident

Horizon scan

- Observation that MPS in boroughs not immediately affected by the incident are deploying staff to the incidents, thereby reducing resources for community policing
- Noted that this could be a long hot summer – concerns at LA and other responder resilience across London

Best regards

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