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Subject: RE: Briefing - Grenfell Tower Fire LLAG activation (1).docx

For info

I have asked Alex following agreement from llag to activate al beccs to provide a sitrep by 10
Reporting on mutual aid commitments and community tensions is the focus

John

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Thanks Steve, decision was taken Thursday and enacted and notified on Friday following the scg.

Similar but seperate matter just had a call from mark which was difficult. He wanted to know if we had plans to increase lacc capacity through additional Frs staff trained or untrained!!!

I said our primary focus should be to recover staff from existing commitments first then provide us with a steer pf what we need to achieve then we can look at it bur we wouldn't make any decision until we have done a stock take today and we are utilising all our staff as best we can today but need to focus on our core role first. I also added it is not our but an lfb decision to release existing trained frs staff especially if asking for more.

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Sounds better!

Thanks.
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Toby Gould


From: [HAMM, STEVE](#)
Sent: 19 June 2017 05:21

To: [HETHERINGTON, JOHN](#); [GOULD, TOBY](#)

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John noted

My understanding is that we can legitimately state that the decision to invoke the LLAG arrangements was taken on Thursday?

If so I will try replacement of Toby's more detailed account and simply state that, leaving the first section as is

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Fleshed some detail out.

I do have a huge fear of the search for blame whilst still in the response is becoming damaging to the response and testing relationships beyond what they need to be. Stating the obvious I know, but it wont help us in our role of supporting the LA response. It is clearly and would only be from us from the LA perspective which could destroy the relationship we have with them. The SCG today had a focus of unity of messaging and response which would be helpful for the Mayor to support.

Sorry I know we are probably all thinking that but all of this will come out in the enquiry when emotions have reduced rather than now. Easy to say I know, more difficult to have any chance of putting that across.

Another option would be to provide the first Te paragraphs which are in published documents and do not provide operational details but explain the procedures we have that could have been invoked, the mayor could pose the question to John why they didn't giving them the chance to provide their rational at the time rather than the damming timeline that has the benefit of hindsight?

Sorry if that doesn't help or is not my place to say.

John

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