

Major Incident – North Kensington

London SCG Minutes: 13:00, 20 June 2017

MEETING	London Strategic Coordinating Group (SCG)
DATE	20 June 2017
TIME	13:00
PLACE	Teleconference

1 Any urgent business

- 1.1 Level 3 Heatwave - PHE have issued a Level 3 Heatwave warning with temperatures expected between 29-31 degrees C. The advice from yesterday remains and there had been no increase in heat related admissions
- 1.2 Peter McKenna (NHS England (London)) reported a significant increase in category A calls yesterday, which had been the third busiest day recorded.

2 Introductions

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

3 Situation Brief

3.1 Overview from London Resilience

- No significant update
- David Moorhead (MPS) provided an update. The pillars between floors 17-18 had been structurally undermined, a 7mm movement had been reported. Gas pipes had been made safe but teams were initially unable to gain access this morning.
- The leisure centre near to Grenfell Tower is scheduled to be reopened tomorrow 21st June, this would necessitate the cordon to be reduced.

Action: John Barradell requested that the decision to reduce the cordons was thoroughly considered and that the consequences for the residents, the scene and individuals are supported. The precis details of cordon movement need to be made available.

Action: TFL requested that their infrastructure engineer needs to be informed of the cordon movement.

- TFL advised that at the current time they intend to reopen the tube lines by Wednesday morning.

Action: London Resilience to coordinate the next Site Remediation Group meeting.

- Ian Frost (LFB) advised that stability checks are taking place every 30 minutes, both internally and externally to allow urban search and rescue work to continue. There was also an Ariel Ladder Platform on site to remove some external panels and work continued to pump concrete.

4. Key Issues and Strategic Decisions

- Agreed the SCG strategy is relevant and in place still.

4.1 Community Tensions and Engagement

Local Authorities provided an update:

Community meetings were being held with the community, one took place at 14:00 with Eleanor Kelly and representatives from the voluntary sector. Two leaflets per day, starting that evening, would be circulated to the community with specific information on assistance. A second meeting would take place at 1900 that evening. The local authority stated that engagement with the community was still in the early stages and a Safer Community Group meeting with Stuart Cundy (MPS) raised further questions for the residents.

MPS provided an update:

No significant community tension issues had been reported.

4.2 Humanitarian aspects

Work was progressing to ensure those in temporary accommodation were being offered longer term housing options. Staff remained on the community centre on site. A Family and Friends Assistance Centre was being opened as soon as possible at De Veres Holborn Bars which had received agreement from all necessary partners - John Lewis had agreed to fit out the centre.

Funding for all community centres would be raised to COBR at 15:30

Action: London Resilience to provide SIM with list of residents who had been rehoused

4.3 Building Safety

No further update

4.4 Investigation update

No further update

4.5 Review strategic aim and objectives

No change.

5 Public Communications

No change

6 Report from SCG Sub-Groups

MFCG – No further update. 5 confirmed deceased had been identified. 76 were missing presumed deceased and 13 remained in hospital (8 critical, 3 adults and 5 children). In total 94 persons.

Action: Chris Jones and Jane Barnacle to discuss figures of those who remain in hospital outside of the meeting as there was a discrepancy of total in hospital.

HASG – No further update.

STAC – Met at 10:30 that morning to discuss asbestos, the advice would be shared more widely. There had been no discernible change to air quality in the local area post the fire. A small amount of fibres from ceiling and airing cupboard panels may have been released but the majority of the fibres remained in the debris. There had been no risk to emergency workers due to appropriate PPE and breathing apparatus. PHE confirmed all garden produce was still safe to consume.

Action: Environment Agency to consider any impacts on groundwater if significant rainfall was to occur whilst the clean up continued.

Site remediation – The next meeting needed to be confirmed for all participants and clarity provided on the number of meetings – Matthew Hogan

Action: London Resilience to invite the community engagement subgroup to the SCG meetings.

7 Reporting Rhythm

- MFCG – 17:00, 20 June
- HASG – 11:00, 23 June
- SCG – 13.00, 21 June, TBC

8 Composition of SCG

All still relevant attendees and will go forward to the next meeting.

9. Organisational learning

- LFB to lead with support from LRG to support.

10. Stand down arrangements

- None at this stage.

11. AOB

- Neil Jerome confirmed he will remain as police lead
- No other business
- Next SCG – 13.00, 21 June, TBC.

Attendees

Organisation	Name
MPS	Neil Jerome (Chair), Chris Jones (Deputy SIM) David Moorhead, Jamie [redacted] (Bronze EP)
London Resilience Group	John Hetherington, India Norton (minutes), Matt Hogan, Toby Gould
LFB	Jack Frost
NHS England (London)	Jane Barnacle (NHS Gold) David
PHE	Deborah Turbitt
HSE	Sarah Chaker
Local Authorities	John Barradell (Gold), Mark Sawyer
LAS	Peter McKenna (LAS Gold)
City of London Police	Perry Stokes
British Transport Police	Alex Thompson
DCLG Government Liaison Officer	Steve Mulrooney
GLA	Emma Strain
TfL	Richard Jones
Military	Brian Fahy
Thames Water	Sarah Burchard
Environment Agency	David Nicholson
Apologies	
Her Majesties Coroner	Dr Fiona Wilcox