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**From:** ACOURT, JIM  
**Sent:** 26 June 2013 12:40  
**To:** COWUP, PETER  
**Subject:** RE: Rule 43 action plan update

Peter,

In terms of the communications action plan (item 21)

- Two TCAPs have been created, accepted, and support given to Babcock to provide training to all operational personnel on the available communications equipment and its effective use at operational incidents. The scenarios chosen as exercises include both high-rise and subsurface incidents, with issues that can be resolved using LFB equipment currently carried on Command Units.
- The possibility of using additional radio channels at incidents continues to be investigated, with the opportunity existing for use of legacy police channels already programmed into the LFB hand-held incident ground radios. Control of the channels' use remains with the Home Office and, to a degree, with OfCom; both organisations have been contacted, as have the MPS, although a response has not yet been received. As made clear within the response to the Coroner on the Rule 43 recommendation, the Brigade will not use multiple BA channels at the same incident as this presents an increased risk to firefighters undertaking operational activities.
- In addition to the above, the BA radio interface equipment is being reviewed with the intention of identifying an procuring new equipment for front-line operational personnel. This project is expected to deliver by October 2014.

Regards

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**Sent:** 26 June 2013 11:43  
**To:** ROE, ANDREW; ACOURT, JIM; JONES, GRAHAM; CHURCHILL, SIMON; HAYLES, PAUL; MORTON, PHILIP  
**Cc:** MALCOLM, SHIREEN; ADAMSCRAWFORD, CLARE; BEVAN, ADRIAN  
**Subject:** Rule 43 action plan update  
**Importance:** High

Dear All

Please see below and attached the action plan that deals with issues arising from the Shirley Towers and Lakanal incidents.

Discharging this is a key priority and I therefore think all members of OP need be aware; there are specific responsibilities and a need for updates from

- 1 Fire (Simon)
- 2 Fire (Simon)
- 6 Fire (Simon – Paul Hayles – I know the TV report is drafted)
- 7 Fire (Simon – Phil Morton – he has recently provided me with an update than can be used here)
- 9 As (7)
- 18 Not 100% c ertain who is actioning this – Phil M I think?
- 21 Communications (Jim AC)

Shireen – can you please add this to tomorrow's PMB agenda.

Peter

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**From:** BEVAN, ADRIAN

**Sent:** 25 June 2013 12:37

**To:** BROWN, DAVE (Third Officer); CHANDLER, RICHARD (AC); COTTON, DANIELLE; COWUP, PETER; ELLIS, DOMINIC; DALGLEISH, JAMES; TUREK, STEVE; HAMM, STEVE

**Cc:** REASON, GARY; ELLIS, GRAHAM; TAYLOR, STEVE; ANDREWS, MARK; HUGHES, KEVIN

**Subject:** Coroners rule 43 recommendations - monitoring report for ODCB

**Importance:** High

At the ODCB meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013 it was decided that in the future coroners rule 43 recommendations, and the associated actions required to be undertaken within LFB, would be monitored by the ODCB.

It was agreed that a consolidated report (containing all extant coroners recommendations) should be compiled – and that this should be of a similar format to the SAI action monitoring report for ease of reference/use. The document attached is a draft, the final format will be agreed at ODCB.

The intention is that this report will also be used in the same way as the SAI report, with monthly updates provided by Lead Officers to ODCB.

Despatch for ODCB is the end of the week and I would be grateful for your general comments and specific (Lead Officer) updates against actions by midday Friday 28 June 2013.

I would be grateful if you could double check target dates (some actions don't have a target date as yet) and the LFB actions that have been entered against the coroners recommendations for which you are leads are correct and fully reflective of the action that is being taken.

Regards

Adrian