



Working together for a safer London

Memorandum of Understanding

Externally Funded Policing Operations

Metropolitan Police Service / Heart of London

1. Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this document is to define a protocol between the MPS and HoL relating to the funding of specific policing operations.

2. Type of Operation

2.1 The operations covered within this protocol are:

- a. Operation Safe Night: A high visibility deployment of police resources designed to prevent crime and provide public reassurance.
- b. Operation Wendy: A partnership operation involving the MPS and other agencies, intended to disrupt and prosecute illegal minicab operators within central London.
- c. Operation Trader: A partnership operation designed to provide support to the Westminster City Council Street Licensing Enforcement Team (SLET) in dealing with various forms of illegal street trading.
- d. Any other intelligence led operation that both the MPS and HoL deem appropriate

3. Area of Deployment

3.1 The area of deployment for any of the above operations will be within the HoL area, unless there are specific reasons for the operation taking place in another area.

4. Management Protocol

4.1 A steering group consisting of the HoL, MPS and WCC will meet quarterly and agree the next quarter's operations.

4.2 Unless HoL identifies a specific subject for an operation all operations will be agreed based on intelligence from the MPS and Westminster Community Protection Team.

4.3 The date and time of deployment will be specified at the time of arrangement.

4.4 A request to deploy a HoL externally funded policing operation will be made at least six weeks prior to the proposed date of deployment.

4.5 The MPS will confirm that the requested operation will take place, or that such an operation will not be possible, within two weeks of the receipt of such a request.

4.6 A request should be made via the Steering Group process.

4.7 During periods of annual leave or other abstraction the responsibility for acknowledging and dealing with any requests will fall to any West End & Chinatown SNT sergeant.

4.8 Following confirmation of a HoL funded operation the MPS will reserve the right to cancel the operation. The MPS will give the maximum possible notice of such a cancellation.

5. Number of Operations.

5.1 This agreement will be based upon a 1 for 4 funding arrangement (with the MPS supplying 4 non-funded Safe Nights for every Funded Safe Night).

5.2 In the event of the MPS not supplying a total of 4 non-funded Operation Safe Nights, the HoL will pay a proportion of the funds according to the number of Safe Nights actually run (i.e. should the MPS run 2 Safe Nights, the HoL will fund 50% of an Operation Safe Night).

5.3 The MPS will endeavour to deploy an equal number of non-funded Operation Wendys and Traders (as compared to those that are HoL funded).

5.3 It should be noted that both Operations Wendy and Trader rely upon non-MPS resources and, as such, may be subject to late notice cancellation due to circumstances outside of MPS control.

6. Performance measures.

6.1 The MPS will supply information and data relating to each HoL funded operation to the HoL 7 days after the deployment. Information from non-HoL funded operation will also be supplied on request. The information and data supplied will be:

6.2 Operation Safe Night:

a. Number of police officers deployed.

b. Number of people arrested (including offences for which arrested).

c. Number of people 'decanned'.

d. Number of ASDOs issued.

6.3 Operation Wendy.

a. Number of police officers deployed.

b. Number of vehicles checked.

c. Number of vehicles seized.

d. Amount of outstanding fines recovered.

e. Number of people arrested (including offences for which arrested).

f. Number of people otherwise processed (reported for summons etc.).

6.4 Operation Trader.

a. Number of police officers deployed.

b. Number of illegal traders processed.

6.5 Quarterly Summaries.

a. The number of persons charged, cautioned, issued with an FPN and NFA's for the previous HoL funded operations.

7. Publicity

7.1 The content of any publication, press release or publicity material relating to an externally funded policing operation, or which contains information referring to any non-funded operation, will be approved by the MPS prior to publication or use.

8. Payment

8.1 The MPS will supply HoL with an invoice for any HoL funded operation within 21 days.

8.2 The HoL will forward payment to the The Accounts Receivable Manager at 10th Floor, Empress State Building, Lillie Road, London SW6 1TR, within 30 days of the receipt of the above-mentioned invoice.

9. Review

9.1 This protocol will be reviewed on a yearly basis, or at any other time as determined by either the MPS or HoL.