

DEVON AND CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

DEVON AND CORNWALL SAFETY CAMERA PARTNERSHIP STEERING GROUP MEETING

Held at: Moorland Links Hotel, Yelverton, on 17 March 2006

Chairman: Superintendent Tim SWARBRICK

Secretary: *****

Attended by:	Jon FARR	Safety Camera Partnership
	Natalie HATSWELL	Safety Camera Partnership
	Patrick CARNEY	Torbay Council
	Nigel DYSON	Highways Agency
	Peter EDWARDS	HM Court Services
	Adrian TRIM	Plymouth City Council
	*****	Safety Camera Partnership
	Peter GIMBER	Devon County Council
	Richard PRYCE	Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
	Ian PEARNE	Cornwall County Council
	Peter MOORE	Cornwall County Council
Apologies:	William THOMAS	Council for the Isles of Scilly
	Marcus LAINE	Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
	Chris EASTWOOD	Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
	Russell ASHMAN	Cornwall County Council
	Danny BATTEN	Devon & Cornwall Magistrates
	Emma TAYLOR	Devon & Cornwall Magistrates
	Kathy TAYLOR	Crown Prosecution Service

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1.	<u>Welcome</u> Superintendent SWARBRICK welcomed everyone present.	
2.	<u>Minutes of the last meeting.</u> The minutes of the Quarterly Steering Group Meeting of the 5 December 2005 and the Extraordinary Steering Group Meeting of 20 January 2006 were agreed.	
3.	<u>Matters Arising</u> Saltash Tunnel Nigel DYSON gave an update on the Saltash Tunnel and outlined progress to date. The Highways Agency is working through the rules and regulations for the SPEC's system to be in	Nigel DYSON

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	<p>place for 2007. Regular review meetings are to take place.</p>	
	<p>Collision Recording Systems The procurement process is still on going. There is a short list of suppliers and an update in early June is anticipated.</p>	Tim SWARBRICK
	<p>Data Inputting Speed-reading methods were changed in 2003; therefore a change in recorded speeds has been shown. This has created a difference in speed reduction at camera sites.</p>	
	<p>Staff Cornwall County Council will not be appointing a Data Analyst for the Safety Camera Partnership due to Partnership structure changes, which will happen in 2007.</p>	
	<p>Crown Prosecution Service An initiative has been launched to improve links with the CPS and CJU. Discussions are on going with more meetings planned over the next few months.</p>	Jon FARR / Chris EASTWOOD
	<p>Local Authorities All invoices must be into the Partnership's accountants by the end of March to be included into the current year's accounts.</p>	
	<p>Police Force changes 'Meeting the Challenge' There is still no decision on whether the Devon & Cornwall Constabulary will remain a stand alone Strategic Force or join with another Force.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Project Managers Report</u> Jon FARR presented his report to the meeting, the following points were discussed:-</p>	
	<p>Operational Case The Operational Case has been submitted including a few new sites. Informal feedback indicates the submission has been accepted. Tim SWARBRICK thanked Jon FARR for handling the Operational Case and getting it through in</p>	

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	<p>spite of all the other activities going on.</p> <p>Quarterly Reviews The overall number of active sites has been reduced through the quarterly reviews. New red light and fixed speed cameras will be ordered to respond to local authority requests in quarterly reviews. Inactive sites have been removed. Red light sites will be more vigorously enforced.</p> <p>Safety Camera Motorcycle The Safety Camera Motorcycle should be ready within the next two weeks and will be in operation during 2007. Training will continue when the bike arrives.</p> <p>Communications 2006/07 The Communications spend has been increased for 2006/07 from 3% to 6%. This is slightly below the national average.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Communication Managers Report</u> Natalie HATSWELL presented her report to the meeting, the following points were discussed:-</p> <p>Four year report summary A summary of the Government's four-year evaluation report on safety cameras will be released. A media campaign has been planned to coincide with the distribution of these.</p> <p>Correspondence and Freedom of Information The number of letters remains constant and range widely in their requests for information. Freedom of Information requests remain constant, many continuing correspondence from recent Court cases.</p> <p>Motorcycles The Safety Camera Partnership has taken an active role in the Motorcycle Forum and is now involved with several educational activities and looking at enforcement along motorcycle routes. The bike trailer has now be refurbished and ready for the new season.</p>	

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	<p>Driving at Work – Reducing the Risk This project is now coming to fruition. This involves sending out 5000 guidance packs to companies and other organisations with employees who drive at work. The companies will also be offered seminars to learn more about work related road safety.</p> <p>MOD project The MOD has continued to support this project and are helping to secure statistics on the number of fatalities of MOD personnel. A study will be carried out on the psychological profiles and attitudes of MOD personnel. The results will provide the basis for developing an educational campaign with MOD bases across Devon & Cornwall.</p> <p>Exhibition Vehicle The Exhibition vehicle is now up and running and a diary of events have been set up.</p> <p>Shows We are now booked into the regular shows and looking for extra events. If you hear of any new events or shows that we should attend, please pass the information on.</p> <p>College of St. Mark and St. John Public relation students have been tasked with finding out how best to communicate the dangers of speeding to young and inexperienced drivers. This will culminate in a conference at the College to showcase the students' work.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Enquiry Officers Presentation</u> MPC Duncan Russell and MPC David Williams gave a presentation to explain the role of the Enquiry Officers. The talk led into how this vital role can lead to promoting road safety and uncovering other criminal activity.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Local Transport Plans</u> The LTP2 will include a statement of support for safety cameras. The issue of funding will drive the level of support.</p>	

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8.	<u>Service Level Agreements</u> The SLA needs to be rewritten. David Hughes will be asked to help in the writing of this document and employed on a consultancy. This document needs to be ready for SCOTS meeting in June.	
9.	<u>A.O.B.</u> The Route Forward Following on from recent discussions between partners and the Safety Camera Unit some suggestions have been put forward.	
10.	<u>Date of Next Meeting</u> To be announced.	

Editor's Note

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