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Event History

Policy owned by Operational Services**Airwave****1. Policy Purpose and key drivers**

The Airwave service is a digital radio communications networks designed to meet the needs of the police and other public safety organisations. It is a digital mobile radio service, developed and managed to provide a secure, powerful and flexible communications network. Airwave radios will be issued to all operational police officers and police staff.

This policy aims to provide a framework to ensure that all Airwave technology and equipment is deployed as effectively as possible and that correct radio procedures and language are used at all times.

The policy is underpinned by procedures designed to provide clear, definitive and unambiguous direction for all those involved in its delivery.

Related Documents

Links to related documents:

[Airwave - Automatic Resource Location System \(ARLS\) \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Authority for Pursuits, Stinger, Firearms etc. \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Emergency Activation \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Loss of Communication with Operational Officers \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - PNC Checks \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Radio Discipline \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Status Codes \(Procedure\)](#)
[Airwave - Transmissions \(Procedure\)](#)

Gatekeeper - the Author suggested the following Procedure document(s) to link to.

Airwave - Emergency Activation; Airwave - Loss of Communication with Operational Officers; Airwave - PNC Checks; Airwave - Radio Discipline; Airwave - Status Codes; Airwave - Transmissions

Relevant Dates and Review Period

Effective Date: 01/06/2015
 Review Date: 31/03/2019
 Review Frequency: Annually

Policy Basis and Implications

- 2. Legal Basis:** There is no legal legislation directly requiring the policy change but the need to ensure the Force is properly accountable for actions carried out in its name are the main drivers for ensuring that policies that govern those actions are relevant, understood and regularly reviewed and updated as appropriate.
- 3. Management of Police Information (MoPI):** **MoPI Policing Purpose:** Protecting Life and Property, Preserving order, Preventing the commission of offences, Bringing offenders to justice, Any duty or responsibility arising from common or statute law
MoPI Review, Retention and Disposal addressed as follows: There is no data collected as a consequence of this policy.
- 4. Associated Benefits:** The implementation of this policy and associated procedures is aimed at reducing unnecessary time spent using the radio, making communications more accurate and effective thus directly linked to

	improving service delivery.
5. Consultation:	Contact Services; Superintendents Association; Police Federation; UNISON.
6. Financial Implications:	None
7. Human Resources / Training:	The training associated with the implementation of this policy has been cascaded through supervision to ensure compliance is monitored and re-enforced. In addition operational staff have been provided with an aide memoir. New recruits will be provided with training in line with this policy.
8. Associated Policy:	Graded Response

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