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Event History

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

Staffordshire Police has a responsibility to protect the public, its employees and volunteers from violence. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that Staffordshire Police maintain an ability to mobilise appropriately trained, accredited and equipped police resources in response to any spontaneous or pre-planned event where the issues of public safety, public order or disorder are apparent.

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Related Documents

Links to related documents:

[Public Order - Issue and Use of Personal Protection Equipment \(PPE\) \(Procedure\)](#)
[Public Order - Mobilisation Exercises \(Exercise Denominator\) \(Procedure\)](#)
[Public Order - Protected Public Order Carriers \(Procedure\)](#)
[Public Order - Protester Removal Team \(Procedure\)](#)
[Public Order - Selection, Eligibility, Fitness Requirements and Training \(Procedure\)](#)
[Public Order - Unlawful Encampments \(Procedure\)](#)

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

Public Order - Issue and Use of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE);
 Public Order - Mobilisation Exercises (Exercise Denominator);
 Public Order - Protected Public Order Carriers;
 Public Order - Protester Removal Team;
 Public Order - Selection, Eligibility, Fitness Requirements and Training;
 Public Order – Unlawful Encampments

Relevant Dates and Review Period

Effective Date: 25/04/2017

Review Date: 25/04/2018

Review Frequency: Annually

Policy Basis and Implications**2. Legal Basis:**

The legal basis for this policy comes from the common law duty of the police to protect life and property, detect crime, keep the peace and the following statutes:
 Criminal Law Act 1967;
 Equality Act 2010;
 Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984;
 Human Rights Act 1998;
 Crime and Disorder Act 2002;
 Health and Safety at Work Act 1974;
 Police (Health and Safety) Act 1997.

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:

Policy and decision logs (written, electronic or both) will be maintained during public order incidents, this includes the assessment and decision records relating to unauthorised encampments. These records are for

review and audit purposes and must be retained for a minimum period of 6 years for litigation purposes. No other information is collected through this policy.

4. **Associated Benefits:** Any use of force will be in accordance with this policy and training thereby creating a safer environment for both the public and our staff which will contribute to the Force Strategy of keeping our Communities Safe and Reassured.
5. **Consultation:** The following officers/departments have been consulted in the development of this policy: -
 - Force Public Order Commanders;
 - West Midlands Regional Public Order Training Centre (WMPOTC)
 - Tactical Planning Unit;
 - Force Health and Safety Officer;
 - Freedom of Information Officer;
 - College of Policing;
 - National Domestic Extremism Unit;
 - ACPO Public Order and Public Safety Tactics, Training and Work Evaluation Group;
 - Staffordshire Police Federation;
 - Unison;
 - Staffordshire Association for Women in Policing;
 - Staffordshire Multi Cultural Association;
 - Staffordshire Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Association.
6. **Financial Implications:** The financial implications around this area of policy are: -
 - The cost of training staff including opportunity costs;
 - Financial contribution towards the WMPOTC;
 Cost of equipment and accommodation.
7. **Human Resources / Training:** All public order training is delivered in accordance with Authorised Professional Practice and the National Public Order Training Curriculum (which is agreed and accredited by the College of Policing); the principle training provider is the WMPOTC.
8. **Associated Policy:** Staffordshire Police work within the Authorised Professional Practice, where the force differs from this practice a separate Standard Operating Procedure refers.

FOI, Human Rights and Equality Impact Assessment

Indicators

FOIA:	Release to Public		
ECHR:	Compliant with proportionality test	Articles engaged:	Article 5 Right to Liberty and Security; Article 6 Fair Trial; Article 7 No Punishment without Law; Article 8 Right to respect for Private and Family life; Article 10 Freedom of Expression; Article 11 Freedom of Assembly and Association; Article 14 Prohibition of Discrimination; Protocol, Article 1 - Protection of Property
EIA:	Compliant	Compliant with Code of Ethics:	Yes

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