

Health and Safety Update Report

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1. Background

1.1 This report provides an update on Surrey Police's safety incident statistics for the period: 01-Nov-17 to 28-Feb-18.

2. FORCE INCIDENT AND ASSAULT MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

2.1 ERP UPDATE In January 2018 the ERP project leads and system contractors presented a 'Health and Safety-Tri-Force Design Workshop' to the health and safety leads. The system contractors ran through a high-level view of the proposed system and agreement was reached between Surrey, Sussex and Thames Valley Police to develop 'standard' form templates that are to be implemented across each Force. In February 2018, Surrey and Sussex Police prepared the initial form designs and submitted this data to the Surrey, Sussex and Thames Valley ERP project teams. Consultation is currently underway and the system contractors have started the initial form development work. Surrey Police health and safety incident reporting will move over to ERP from the current 12/2 system.

3. SURREY INCIDENT & ASSAULT SUMMARY

- **3.1** 'Assaults' and 'slip/trip/fall' injuries have been the main cause of injury during these four months, with arrests and restraint injuries falling close behind.
- 3.2 Near miss incidents of particular note:
 - a. Vehicle travelling Northbound on Southbound M23. Surrey put in place rolling road block. Communications received by Surrey unit incorrectly advised them that Sussex units had stopped the vehicle so released rolling road and increased speed.
 - b. Intrusive asbestos demolition noticed in old ICT office. Project managers and principal contractor consulted. Area closed off to staff. Contractor confirmed no asbestos had been disturbed and no asbestos found in samples taken.
 - c. Shock from shredder when using the power button on the front panel. No injuries or repercussions.
 - d. Solo RPU officer nearly struck by other motorists when dealing with the drunk driver that had stopped in the all lane running unlit section of the M25 where there is no hard shoulder. Request made to FCR (force control room) to contact Highways to arrange for signals to warn motorists and close lane 1, but this was delayed due to technical issues and a delay with Highways.
 - e. Police officer has given mouth to mouth on male who was in cardiac arrest. No mouth shield was used due to operational exigencies. A reddish-brown liquid came from the male's mouth and there was an exchange of saliva from his mouth to the Officer's mouth.

3.3 Other reported near miss incidents:

- a. Was filling cup with hot water pulled red tab to obtain water. Slight delay and then large amount of water came out. Similar to if there had been an air lock.
- b. It had been extremely frosty and the visitor's car park (Mount Browne) was icy. Reporter slipped on some ice and ended up on the floor.
- c. Slipped over outside kennel block path quite heavily covered in moss. Was very wet and slippery.
- d. Slipped on a patch of mud by the car park adjacent to the houses in Margaret Road; Guildford outside Guildford Police Station.
- e. Went to sit on the chair and it gave way so that he ended up on the floor. When the chair was inspected; it was found in a bad state of repair; the back was loose as was the base.
- f. Female walking in the road towards vehicles causing them to brake heavily as they approached her.

Eleven RIDDOR's have been reported over this period. Of particular note:

Arrest

- a. DP (detained person) resisted arrest and during the process IP (injured person) sustained a suspected fractured elbow when he landed on the floor with the DP.
- b. DP has actively resisted by pulling away and pushing IP into a wall causing instant pain in IP's shoulder collar bone and back causing suspected fracture to collar bone.

Slip/Trip/Fall

- a. IP caught foot on the door frame causing him to stumble and then twisted his left foot. Hospital confirmed left foot was broken.
- b. IP was attending an RTC (road traffic collision) and the roads were covered in snow. IP was walking down the hill to assist members of the public who were stranded; IP slipped and fell heavily on his back and right side. Probable broken ribs which have punctured the cavity between the ribs and the lung.

Other RIDDOR's:

Slip/Trip/Fall

- a. Has exited the police vehicle before it has come to a complete stop which has therefore caused IP to lose foothold and fall.
- b. During arrest IP has fallen on a 3 pinned plug, landing on back. Bruising only.

Conflict Training

c. During OST (occupational safety training) have been taking part in take downs. Colleague's head has impacted onto IP's chest area causing fracture to rib.

Other Driving

d. Whilst trying to get into a police vehicle that was parked very close to another vehicle, IP put right leg into the vehicle and in trying to get in, IP dislocated right knee

Pursuit

e. IP pursuing a suspect who had run from other officers and fell over during foot chase fracturing shoulder.

Ten 'Other' Injury reports have been reported. Of particular note:

- a. (3) Awkward movement.
- b. (2) Continuing body armour issues.
- c. (2) Injuries from broken glass/metal fragment through breaking window panes
- d. (1) Fingers/hand shut in car door.
- e. (1) Building work noise
- f. (1) Searching of premises

Nov-17 to Feb-18					
		Nov17	Dec17	Jan18	Feb18
TOTAL Employees - No. Officers (incl. Specials) - No. Staff (incl. PCSO's)		3949 2135 1814	3935 2129 1806	3958 2139 1819	3964 2140 1824
1	TOTAL Injuries (incl. UoF resulting in injury)	58	44	58	37
2	TOTAL Assaults (incl. assaults no injury – Sussex only)	10	10	21	3
3	TOTAL Near Miss	2	4	6	4
4	TOTAL Absence and Restricted Days (Injury)	104 272	35 309	41 261	66 112
5	Incidence Rate Injuries per 1000 employees (1&2)	17	14	20	10
	RIDDOR DATA	3	3	2	2
6	- Over 7 Days Absence or Restricted Duties	1	0	2	0
	- Specified Injury	2	2	0	2
	- Dangerous Occurrence - MOP Taken to Hospital	0 0	1 0	0 0	0
7	TOTAL Arrests (Primary)	1031	1051	1051	906
8	TOTAL Custody Adverse Incidents	30	31	34	42
9	RIDDOR DATA (Custody) - MOP Taken to Hospital	0	1	0	0
10	Civil Claims (Injuries) - Total Claims Received - Claims Reserve Set (£)	O £00	O £00	0 £00	1 £1K
	- Total Claims Closed - Costs Paid	O £0	O £0	O £0	0 £0

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		Total Injuries & Assaults with injuries (197)		
1.	Top Five 'Incident Type' for TOTAL injuries	- Assault (44) - Slip/Trip/Fall (32) - Arrest (26) - Restraint (25) - Other (11)		
2.		Total RIDDOR (11)		
	RIDDOR 'Incident Types'	 Slip/ Trip/ Fall (4) Arrest (2) MOP/DP (1) Other Driving (1) Conflict Training (1) Pursuit (1) Dangerous Occurrence Suspected gas leak (1) 		

5 Decision[s] Required

None. Report to be noted.