

## **Emergency Services Environment and Sustainability Group**

### **Meeting Record - Key Highlights**

**Date:** Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021

**Chair:** Mick Johnson : Cheshire Constabulary

**Location:** Meeting held online via Microsoft Teams

### **Attendees**

Philip Belton, Kent Police  
Sallie Blanks, Avon & Somerset Police  
Mathew Chard, Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service  
Amanda Craig, Police Service Northern Ireland  
Peter Coogan, Leicestershire Police  
Carolyn Couch, Metropolitan Police  
Karen Craddock, Dorset Police  
Ellie Croft, Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service  
Owen Dodgson, North East Ambulance Service  
Rebecca Ford, Gwent Police  
Tyrone Frost, Hertfordshire Police  
Mandy Gibbs, Gloucestershire Police  
Paul Gilfoyle, North West Ambulance Service  
Kim Glenister, Wiltshire Police  
Annabel Harford, Avon Fire & Rescue Service  
Nigel Harvey, Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service  
Robert Hayes, Greater Manchester Police  
Joe Hodges, Hampshire Police  
Mark Holland, West Yorkshire Police  
Simon Jakeman, London Fire Brigade  
Louis Jordan, Lancashire Constabulary  
Aimee Lee, Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service  
Caroline Linden, Merseyside Police  
Alex Lindsay, South Yorkshire Police  
Sharon Luther, Merseyside Police  
Gary Mair, Police Scotland  
Sheona McIntyre, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service  
Hayley Meaker, Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service  
Helen Minnett, Warwickshire Police  
Andy Nichols, Warwickshire Police  
Milly Osborne, London Fire Brigade  
Diane Paradise, Derbyshire Police  
Salima Parmak, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service  
Jennifer Porter, London Fire Brigade  
Lynn Rigby, Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service  
Peter Robinson, Humberside Police  
Sarah Rogers, Essex Fire & Rescue Service  
Louise Sawyer, Devon and Cornwall Police  
Kay Sharpe, Nottinghamshire Police  
Oliver Stenson, Merseyside Police  
Nicci Stephens, Welsh Ambulance Service  
Rachael Strong, Humberside Fire & Rescue Service  
John Sutton, North Yorkshire Police  
Tim Sykes, Cheshire Constabulary

Danielle Taylor, South Yorkshire Police  
David Warren, Lancashire Constabulary  
Robert Webb, Thames Valley Police  
Georgina White, Hampshire Police  
Neil Wickham, Thames Valley Police  
Sam Woods, East of England Ambulance Service  
Louise Woollen, West Midlands Police

### **Guest Speakers**

Jon Rawling (Blue Light Commercial), David Taylor (Hysopt), Simon Pyne (Greener Energy Futures)

### **Apologies**

*Apologies were received from the following:* Angela Ahir (West Midlands Ambulance Service), Karen Aguilera (North West Ambulance Service), Steve Bergiers (Dyfed-Powys Police), Sara Bibby (National Crime Agency), Jen Cassells (Police Scotland), Neil Coombe (Devon & Cornwall Police), Darren Hewerdine (Metropolitan Police), Lucy Hind (South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service), Mark Herriott (Home Office), Stuart Ladds (College of Policing), Dave Lang (Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service), Clare Leggett (City of London Police), Bryan Snoddy (Northern Ireland Ambulance Service), Lee Staddon (Devon & Cornwall Police), Julia Wordley (Devon & Cornwall Police)

Item	Highlight
1.	<p><b><u>Chairs Remarks</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair again thanked colleagues for attending online – welcome also extended to any new or returning members to the group.</li> <li>Discussion around future sub-groups and how this will be picked up further on in the meeting and at future meetings. Members requested to note upcoming groups and consider engagement.</li> <li>Sub-groups suggested so far include fleet and EVs, comms and engagement, behaviour change, strategy as well as energy and decarbonisation.</li> <li>Positive feedback given to group who worked on charter development as it gives a clear direction of travel and a solid foundation to start sustainability action.</li> <li>Previous meeting minutes reviewed as a means of following up assigned actions</li> </ul>
2.	<p><b><u>Sustainability Charter Update</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharon Luther presented the Sustainability Charter which has now been completed and will be shared with meeting minutes. Members thanked the working group for developing the charter with a special thanks to South Yorkshire Police Comms Team who supported in developing the look of the charter.</li> <li>The development group have also developed a briefing note to support members in bringing the charter into discussion with senior leaders.</li> <li>Discussion around how this could be escalated further across the FRS and Ambulance sectors. Action agreed with Nicci Stephens to discuss offline with Sharon Luther as a means of taking forwards within the Ambulance sector and Mathew Chard to take forwards to NFCC.</li> <li>Query raised around multi-signatories and capability of charter to do this as some may want PCC and Chief Constables to sign. Danielle Taylor confirmed charter has editable options in PDF to allow comments and additional signatories as well as addition of logos.</li> <li>Charter group to continue working together to consider how they take action against the charter forwards including ongoing reporting.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Members to consider sharing charter with Senior Leaders for sign-off.  <b>ACTION:</b> Nicci Stephens and Sharon Luther to meet to assess best way to take charter forwards across the Ambulance sector.  <b>ACTION:</b> Mathew Chard to share charter with NFCC Environment &amp; Climate Change leads.</p>

3.	<p><b><u>BlueLight Commercial, Jon Rawling (jon.rawling@bluelight.police.uk)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation covered structures in place to support sustainability action across the sector along with current related workstreams. Included within this is a sustainability governance board.</li> <li>▪ One key area of support that BLC can offer is data collection and an activity has been undertaken to assess current state of play across the sector. Sheet including this information will be shared within the meeting notes and organisations are asked to review and respond directly to BLC if information is not correct or not present.</li> <li>▪ One area of work underway is the development of a framework for EV charging and it is expected this will be complete by January 2022. Members also outlined a CCS EV framework currently in place – RM6213. This allows for dynamic purchasing on a call-off basis.</li> <li>▪ Currently BLC work mainly with Police Forces but discussions are underway with some FRS and Ambulance Services.</li> <li>▪ Query from some members around how data collection has taken place so far and who has responded to date as often the requests do not end up with the responsible individual within organisations for sustainability delivery. Members requested that BLC put requests through ESESG members as a means of acquiring the most up-to-date information.</li> <li>▪ BLC to be invited to future meetings as permanent members.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Members from Police Forces asked to review BLC information gathered to date and update or correct where necessary. Responses to go directly to Jon Rawling.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Mathew Chard to add Jon Rawling to ESESG circulation list.</p>
4.	<p><b><u>Hysopt, David Taylor (david@hysopt.com)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hysopt are a software company based in Belgium who are able to build digital twins to support design processes for renewable heating including verification of proposals for funding programmes such as PSDS.</li> <li>▪ Hysopt are able to engage with organisations at the onset of PSDS bids and will also work with consultants. Essentially can take designs from RIBA stage 3 and progress through software programmes. Also confirmed that information from BMS can be inputted into the software.</li> <li>▪ As part of PSDS 3, there is a free tool available online to plug-in information to assess current proposals and verify their content.</li> <li>▪ Minimum information is typically floor plans, schematics, control strategy and energy consumption data.</li> <li>▪ Query around generators and ability to input these was made and it was confirmed that they can be factored in with additional information such as DNO requirements.</li> <li>▪ Hysopt happy to engage directly with any organisation with David Taylor the main point of contact.</li> </ul>
5.	<p><b><u>Net-Zero Pathway, Annabel Harford (Avon FRS) and Simon Pyne, Greener Energy Futures (simon@greenerenergyfutures.net)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Annabel Harford presented Avon FRS pathway to net-zero alongside Simon Pyne who supported the organisation on developing this pathway.</li> <li>▪ Avon FRS have a really strong track record to date as portrayed by already achieving a 64% carbon reduction.</li> <li>▪ Fleet emissions a challenge with diesel consumption a significant contributor to the overall carbon footprint with frontline vehicles being the main source. Salary sacrifice scheme for electric vehicles in place.</li> <li>▪ Toolkit developed as part of developing net-zero pathway to help build a reduction trajectory which is based around actions within cycles.</li> <li>▪ Significant proportion of future carbon reduction activity built into capital programmes with net-zero refurbishment and new builds planned.</li> <li>▪ Assisting decision makers is a priority with consideration being given to a shadow carbon price to help embed carbon within overall process.</li> </ul>

6.	<p><b><u>Closing Remarks</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Members thanked for continued engagement and thanks also given to those who presented</li> <li>▪ Any members with ideas for presentations or topics of discussion asked to share this information with Mick Johnson or Mathew Chard</li> <li>▪ Discussion briefly held around sub-groups with further information to be shared post-meeting.</li> </ul>
8.	<p><b><u>AOB/Next Meeting</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Neil Wickham announced his upcoming retirement and thanked members for ongoing support. Members passed on congratulations.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Next meeting confirmed for Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022</p>