

# **JOINT RESILIENCE COMMITTEE**

**(Civic Centre, Swansea)**

**Members Present:**

**10<sup>th</sup> September, 2010**

**Neath Port Talbot  
County Borough  
Council:**

**Councillors** J.R.Bryant, Mrs.A.P.Davies (Chair),  
S.J.Mason, Mrs.S.M.Penry and B.Roblin

**City and County  
of Swansea:**

**Councillors** R.J.Lloyd, L.G.Thomas and  
D.A.Robinson

**Officers in Attendance:**

**Neath Port Talbot  
County Borough  
Council:**

G.Jones and Mrs.T.Davies

**City and County  
of Swansea:**

J.Stephens and P.Thomas

**Apologies for Absence:**

**Councillors:**

Mrs.M.Jones and D.G.Sullivan

**Others:**

P.Smith and S.Phillips

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## **1. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2010**

The Minutes of the Joint Resilience Committee (Special) dated 13<sup>th</sup>  
August, 2010 were received and noted.

2. **WALES EXTREMISM COUNTER TERRORISM UNIT –  
PRESENTATION BY RICHARD KNILL, SOUTH WALES  
POLICE**

Members received a presentation by Detective Chief Inspector Richard Knill of the Wales Extremism Counter Terrorism Unit (WECTU), South Wales Police.

Members noted that since the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2010, the current national threat level regarding terrorism is ‘Severe’ which is one stage below the top level ‘Critical’.

Members noted that the UK strategy for countering terrorism within the UK is known as the ‘CONTEST’ strategy and was formulated following the 9/11 terrorist attacks in America. The aim of the CONTEST strategy is to reduce the risk to the UK and its interests overseas from terrorism, so that people can go about their daily lives with confidence.

Other topics in the presentation included the four main CONTEST workstreams (Pursue, Prevent, Protect and Prepare); CONTEST in Wales, and the Prevent strategy. Members viewed a DVD entitled ‘Operation Langley’ and all Members present were encouraged to watch the DVD entitled ‘Operation Fairway’ which can be found on the Joint Neath Port Talbot/City and County of Swansea website, in the Joint Resilience section.

3. **REPORT OF THE JOINT RESILIENCE UNIT**

Members received an update on the work of the Joint Resilience Unit as contained in the circulated report. Topics covered included:-

- (i) The progress on the Afan Lido incident, Forward Action Plan, where a new training programme is being rolled out;
- (ii) The PWC and the Wales Audit Office reports, and the main recommendations of the report;
- (iii) The cancellation of Operation Dynamo due to lack of community involvement;

- (iv) The inclusion of Operation Bay Explorer in the Annual Resilience Work Programme.

4. **DRAFT ELECTED MEMBERS EMERGENCY PLANNING LEAFLET**

Members noted the preparation of a draft Elected Members Emergency Planning leaflet which will be distributed to all Members of City and County of Swansea and Neath Port Talbot during the forthcoming Members Seminar.

5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Members noted that the next meeting of the Joint Resilience Committee (19<sup>th</sup> November 2010) will not take place in Port Talbot as scheduled. Instead, Members have been invited to visit Velindre Water Treatment Works which is a lower tier COMAH site, due to the storage of chlorine.

Members requested that future meetings of the Joint Resilience Committee take place at 10.00am instead of 10.30am.

**CHAIRMAN**