
Elected Member Briefing Personal Safety & Security

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Welcome

Executive Leader,
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Introduction

- Christine Morrison – CMA Training
- Chief Superintendent Rob Cousens GMP



Personal Safety for Members
November 22, 2021
Christine Morrison

Today's Session

- ✓ General good practice strategies
- ✓ Specific 'hotspots'
- ✓ Travelling safely
- ✓ Staying safer on social media
- ✓ Dealing with aggression

What Do We Mean By Personal Safety?

Freedom from



Violence



Aggression



Other
Unacceptable
Behaviour

What Are Your Responsibilities?



Go home safe!



Follow Tameside Council's guidelines



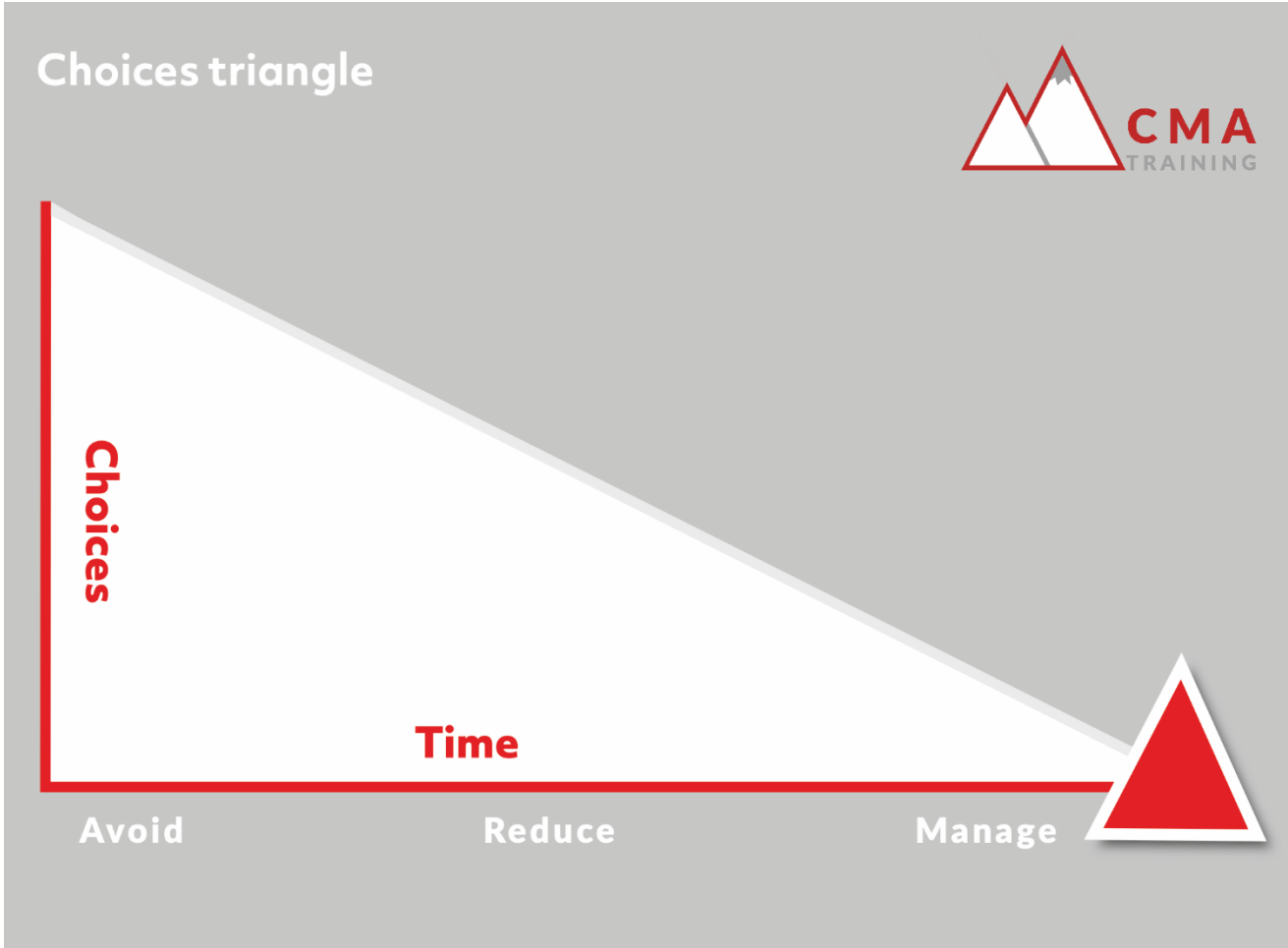
Report any incidents and near-misses



Use common sense

General Good Practice Strategies

- ✓ PLAN for your Personal Safety
- ✓ ARM
- ✓ Effective tracing system
- ✓ Dynamic risk assessment
- ✓ 3 Ws
- ✓ Choices Triangle



Ward Surgeries



Zoom,
WhatsApp,
Phone



Choosing
premises









Control the
layout



Have a plan

Home Visits

-  Is it necessary?
-  Do your research
-  Call ahead
-  Parking
-  Doorstep routine
-  Layout and escape routes

Receiving Personal Callers To Your Door

- ✓ Is it necessary?
- ✓ Offer alternatives
- ✓ You don't have to open the door
- ✓ Report incidents/concerns
- ✓ Home security

Travelling Safely



Social Media



Summary

- ✓ General good practice strategies
- ✓ Choices Triangle
- ✓ Communication models
- ✓ Report all incidents, near-misses and concerns
- ✓ Guidance and checklist

SUPPORT AND ADVICE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS

Robert Cousen
Chief Superintendent
Tameside District Commander

TAMESIDE DISTRICT



We are committed to fighting, preventing and reducing crime. Keeping people safe. Caring for victims.

It is vital that we are told of any instances where criminal offences may have been committed, in order that we have a true and accurate reflection of criminality within our areas. We are asking you to work with us to ensure that we accurately and efficiently record and investigate criminal offences and prosecute criminals.

If you are concerned about the behaviour of anyone, or feel intimidated, or feel that yourself or a colleague may have been the victim of crime, please report this to us. Such incidents may be:

- Unwanted communications, which are abusive, threatening, or grossly offensive,
- Repeated unwanted contact or communications, which could be viewed as harassment,
- Hate offences,
- Acts of criminal damage or threats of violence.

Tameside Neighbourhood staff – Not an emergency. Advice is required and no immediate requirement for a Police officer or PCSO. Details on last slide,

EMERGENCY – 999

This is when you need immediate help. You or someone else is in immediate danger or harm, property is being damaged or in danger of being damaged; a serious disruption to the public is likely.

ONLINE LIVE CHAT - [Report a crime or incident | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](https://www.police.uk)
[WWW.POLICE.UK/PU/CONTACT-THE-POLICE/REPORT-A-CRIME-INCIDENT](https://www.police.uk/PU/CONTACT-THE-POLICE/REPORT-A-CRIME-INCIDENT)

NON-EMERGENCY – 101

You don't need emergency help but you need to see a Police Officer or PCSO

CRIMESTOPPERS – if you wish to report anonymously, or report intelligence, you can call 0800 555 111 or use [WWW.CRIMESTOPPERS-UK.ORG](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

SOCIAL MEDIA – this should not be used for the reporting of crime, but you can use it to contact, seek advice, etc.

[HTTPS://TWITTER.COM/GMPOLICE](https://twitter.com/GMPOLICE)

[HTTPS://FACEBOOK.CO/GTRMANCHESTERPOLICE](https://facebook.co/GTRMANCHESTERPOLICE)

Harassment and Stalking offences under the Protection from Harassment Act 1997,

Public Order Offences under the Public Order Act 1986,

Communications offences under the Malicious Communications Act 1988 and the Communications Act 2003,

Hate offences under the Crime and Disorder Act 1998,

Criminal Damage offences under the Criminal Damage Act 1971,

Assaults and Threats to Kill under the Offences Against the Person Act 1861.

Blackmail offences under the Theft Act 1968.

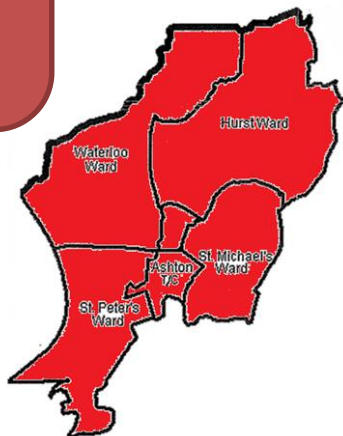
Case Study

- Person x sends a tweet and receives replies containing expletives and general distasteful comments
- Person x receives emails making threats, abusive and vile content
- Person x receives voicemail messages making threats
- Criminal investigation
- Risk assessment and mitigation
- Court powers

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ANY
QUESTIONS
?

Next Steps

- Next Steps:
 - Politics before Personalities Pledge
 - A commitment to set a tone of civility and respect
 - To rise above the often toxic culture of online debate
 - To set a strong example
 - Progress through governance