

1 places list of locations, it was a benefactor in a way
 2 of being within protective security patrol 4, so
 3 therefore, because that had a higher number of tier 1
 4 and tier 2 locations in it, the officers would have been
 5 in and around the vicinity of Borough Market to get to
 6 other locations.
 7 Q. To give us an impression, may we have on screen
 8 {WS5032/19} and can we maximise the plan at the top of
 9 the page. This is, I think, a plan you have produced to
 10 show ARV activity in the Borough Market area on 3 June
 11 between particular times of day?
 12 A. Yes, so that's 3 June between 15.40 hours and
 13 18.22 hours, which just shows you the presence of ARV
 14 officers in that location.
 15 Q. First of all, why were those times chosen for the
 16 snapshot?
 17 A. I mean, they were just taken for an illustrative
 18 purpose, there was no specific reasoning, and, in fact,
 19 if you look at appendix 7, there are other maps that
 20 just pick other times.
 21 Q. Yes, we'll have a look at some of them later. But what
 22 do the points and arrows indicate?
 23 A. So the points -- well, the dots represent a particular
 24 vehicle and its movement through the area. So each one
 25 of the colours, and you can see that they've not

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1 necessarily taken all of the colours, they've just taken
 2 specific vehicles, just for illustrative purposes, so
 3 there there are five vehicles on the left-hand side that
 4 are highlighted and then you can see their movement
 5 through that particular area.
 6 Q. We can take that off the screen now.
 7 Between 20 August 2016 and 21 March 2017, I think
 8 you have recorded that that area received 306 taskings
 9 from mobile armed patrols?
 10 A. Yes, I was advised of that by our protective security
 11 department who have looked through the number of
 12 taskings that were given.
 13 Q. What is a tasking for this purpose?
 14 A. So a tasking is to have a presence in a particular area,
 15 and obviously, again, that was in relation to protective
 16 security patrol 4, which is quite a large geographical
 17 area, of which Borough Market was within it, and part of
 18 the tasking for that armed response -- armed response
 19 vehicles would be to have a presence in that area as
 20 part of the counter terrorism plan for protective
 21 security.
 22 Q. So quite a lot of standard ARV patrolling going on in
 23 that area as a result of, particularly, Operation
 24 Hercules?
 25 A. Yes, that's correct, across the whole of PSP4. To have

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1 a visible presence of armed policing in that area.
 2 Q. We have heard that the speed with which armed officers
 3 reached the scene in this attack, the first ARV arriving
 4 at the scene at 22.11, about 4 minutes after the attack
 5 began, and the ARVs arriving where the attackers were
 6 within 9 or 10 minutes, stopping the attack within 10
 7 minutes.
 8 From your understanding, with your role in CT
 9 policing and policing generally, what would you say to
 10 those response times as illustrating the speed with
 11 which armed police can get to an attack?
 12 A. So for me I feel it demonstrates a real positive --
 13 a real positive in terms of our speed of being able to
 14 go to an area where an attack is taking place and
 15 neutralise the threat at that location, and I think if
 16 we reflect back in history, as you've kindly taken me
 17 through, actually if we look before Paris, I think we
 18 would have to question whether or not that would have
 19 been possible, and the actual investment in increasing
 20 the number of armed response vehicles across London was
 21 exactly for this purpose: to ensure a very quick, swift
 22 response by highly trained, capable officers to
 23 neutralise a threat, and that's what my colleagues did
 24 on the day.
 25 Also, I think it shows the value of the taskings and

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1 making sure that we are considering that threat
 2 assessment, considering the intelligence picture, and
 3 putting mobile armed patrols in the right locations as
 4 part of the tasking process.
 5 Q. As well as the --
 6 A. I mean, I think they -- under very difficult
 7 circumstances and very tragic circumstances, I think
 8 they did a tremendous job.
 9 Q. In addition to the armed patrolling tactics, was
 10 a further tactic developed using unarmed officers for
 11 the purposes of deterrence and immediate response to
 12 an attack?
 13 A. Yes, that's correct.
 14 Q. What did that involve, in simple terms?
 15 A. So these were high visibility uniformed policing
 16 patrols, consisting of a sergeant and seven constables,
 17 and the intention of this was to have a visible presence
 18 to deter terrorists, to create a hostile environment for
 19 terrorists to operate in, and provide an immediate but
 20 unarmed response in the event that there was an attack.
 21 These were in addition to local and routine
 22 policing. I think from a counter terrorism perspective
 23 in London we very much recognise that there is business
 24 as usual, and we needed to consider investment of money
 25 and people to step up and have an additional policing

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