Striking the Balance

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Finance / budgets v’s Major Events and multi-agency response.
40,000
no. of vehicles to cross Severn Bridge

£45 MILLION
expected economic impact for Cardiff/South Wales

250,000
approx. no. of visitors to Cardiff UEFA Champions Festival

2 BILLION
estimated live global TV audience

1250
approx. no. of supporter coaches
The Scale of the UEFA Champions Leagues Final

Men’s UCL Final 2017 – biggest sporting event in the world

Biggest sporting ever to be staged in Wales

Average live global audience of 200 million

Attended by high-profile ‘Protected Persons’

World’s biggest Women’s club football game
  • 5 million live global audience;
  • growing popularity in UK and Europe

BT Sport’s final year of broadcasting – 3 year deal of £897 million
EVENT TIMETABLE

29th May
UCL period commences

30th May
Women’s teams arrive

31st May
UEFA delegates arrive

1st June
- UEFA Champions League Festival opens – Cardiff Bay
- VIP Villages open – Coopers Field & Cardiff Castle
- Purpose built accommodation sites open – Coopers Field
- UCL Women’s Final – Cardiff City Stadium
- Men’s teams arrive

2nd June
- UEFA Dinner – Cardiff Castle
- Festival Football Match

3rd June
- UCL Men’s Final – National Stadium of Wales (Principality)

4th June
Teams/Delegates/VIP/Supporters Leave
Return to normality
National Stadium of Wales
Men’s Final
Cardiff City Stadium
Women’s Final
Cardiff Castle & Coopers Field
VIP Village & Purpose built accommodation
Hostile Vehicle Mitigation Barriers
UEFA Champions League
Multi-agency Impacts
Our Aim…

• To continue to provide a timely response to our service users and local population;
• To provide specialist support to our partner agencies during the Event;
• To deal with any additional demand in a measured and professional way;
• To meet the expectations of Welsh Government in ensuring a safe and successful Event.
Planning Challenges?

- Counter Terrorism & Public Order/Public Safety threats – security challenges
- Demonstrations and protests
- Uniqueness of the National Stadium. City Centre challenges
- VIP & VVIP visits
- Transportation infrastructure
- Fire Safety Corporate Park Camp Ninja
Planning Challenges

Finance

Opportunity to enhance reputation of South Wales

Political influences

- Availability of specialist resources
- Emergency Service Command Resilience
- Maintaining normal business (Command Resilience)
- Managing community impact – significant disruption
Funding Sources

**FRS**
- Welsh Government
- Unitary Authorities

**WAST**
- Welsh Government
- NHS Wales

**POLICE**
- Central Gov
- Home Office
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MAJOR EVENT

• Political Pressure
• Additional Financial
• Partner agency
• Commercial pressures
• Work Load
• Preplanning

TIMELY EMERGENCY RESPONSE

• Business as usual
• Pre-planning
• Partner agency
• Staffing pressures
• Infrastructure
• Finance

BUSINESS AS USUAL
Planning Battle Rhythm

• Tactical Meetings
• Gold Strategic Meetings
• Public Consultations
• Government Liaison
• Testing
Multi-agency Command Structure/Resource

Gold representatives
SWP HQ

Silver Command at 101 House (GM, SM and C3)

Bronze
within Stadium

Marauding Terrorism Fire Arms (MTFA) assets stood up

Amb Command room in operation

Detection, Identification & Monitoring (DIM) assets stood up (MASAT).

Rapid Assessment Vehicles x2

1 boat in Cardiff Bay

FRS Command room in operation
Final Result

Wales 10 out of 10
Any Questions?