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**Facial Recognition Technology (FRT) Strategic Board**  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023 1400hrs – 1530hrs**  
**TEAMS / Room 6.6**

**Attendees**

Lindsey Chiswick – MO1 (Chair)	LC
Jamie Townsend – MO3	JT
[REDACTED] – MO3	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] External Relations	
[REDACTED] DP	
[REDACTED] – DLS	
[REDACTED] MOPAC	
[REDACTED] – MOPAC	
[REDACTED] – SO15	
[REDACTED] CTPHQ	
[REDACTED] – MO4	
[REDACTED] – Aviation	
[REDACTED] Aviation	

**Apologies**

[REDACTED] – C&E	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] – MO3	
[REDACTED] – MO3	
[REDACTED] – DDaT	
[REDACTED] – CTPHQ	
[REDACTED] – MPS Support	

**Introduction**

1. Meeting opened by Chair.

**Minutes & Actions**

2. Minutes accepted. Actions updated.

### **Live Facial Recognition Update– DCI Jamie Townsend**

#### **Recent deployments:**

3. Three deployments have occurred since the last board. These took place in Camden, Westminster and Islington, covering a football match.
4. All deployments had positive results, including a Registered Sex Offender, wanted on recall to prison, identified at the football deployment. There were no false alerts.
5. Two deployments were stood down earlier than anticipated due to resources. A review is ongoing to find a balance on having enough officers available but not solely assigned to the deployment.
6. The length of the deployment is now going to be included in the results feedback, to provide a fair representation of results.

#### **Future deployments**

7. [REDACTED]

#### **Engagement**

8. There is continued engagement with Local Authorities, Safer Neighbourhood Boards and Crime Reference Groups.
9. There will be a demonstration of LFR at New Scotland Yard in October. The demonstration is for members of the CRIAG / Youth Attraction Group and a couple of Home Office Officials.

### **Retrospective Facial Recognition – DCI Jamie Townsend**

#### **Project Delivery**

10. The MVP is still working well. [REDACTED]
11. There have been a number of verified matches on the system which have now been passed to investigation team. These searches are being done on a tiered basis.
12. A tracking process is being developed, to follow the outcomes of positive matches.  
**Action:** Develop Comms to explain how FR can help investigating officers - Jamie Townsend / [REDACTED]
13. [REDACTED]

14. Ongoing discussions are being had with the [REDACTED] so immediate searches can be made after CCTV retrieval.

15. The final product is still looking to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Additional funds have been granted.

**Safer Business Partnership - DCI Jamie Townsend**

16. The concerns over Retail Crime have been highly publicised. Under the Commissioners, re-building confidence in the New Met for London Plan, work is progressing with retail companies, using retrospective facial recognition to assist in identifying the persistent retail offenders.

17. So far there have been a number of verified matches from the images the team have received. Staff also search against PND when a match is not found on Reveal, as Reveal only searches against images held by the MPS. Once a positive match occurs and has been checked by an officer, shops will be asked to provide an evidential package so the matter can be progressed.

**AOB**

18. It is expected that FR will be on the agenda at the next parliamentary assembly.

**Date of next meeting:**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023 1400hrs – 1530hrs**

**Room 6.2 / Teams**