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Subject: LFEPA Resources Committee - comments re road traffic collisions and 'Vision Zero'

Cllr Russell,

I write following the LFEPA Resources Committee on Friday 3rd November 2017 with an update and response to your comments made in relation to the Health and Safety Performance Report.

Firstly, you have asked if we can be more consistent in our use of the term road traffic collisions and if we could avoid the word 'accident' when discussing incidents involving vehicles. We will absolutely seek to adopt and consistently use 'road traffic collision' for all incidents where vehicles are in collision with vehicles, street furniture and/or persons on any road or other public space. We will also seek to find a consistent way of describing any other incident with a vehicle that results in damage or injury where it occurs on one of our own premises, but not on the road or in a public space. We will not use the word 'accident' for this purpose. I will meet with Daniel Ingram, Head of Strategic Performance and Change to discuss and agree this terminology, taking our guide from the Resources Committee to use the word 'incident' in place of accident.

Secondly, you wanted to know how the Brigade would respond to the 'Vision Zero' targets being presented in the draft Mayor's Transport Strategy 2017. The Brigade will support the target for 'all deaths and serious injuries from road collisions to be eliminated from London's streets by 2041'. We will add 'Deaths and serious injuries to MOP from RTC's involving Brigade vehicles' as a 'context' target in support of our existing overall 'RTC involving brigade vehicles' target and we will continue to monitor and report on RTC's and specifically on injuries from RTCs to both staff and members of the public in our biannual Health and Safety Performance reports.

The Brigade is already doing what it can in support of this target and will continue to find ways to proactively manage road risk. This has been discussed in more detail in the Brigade's response to your question regarding 'Vision Zero' tabled for the Authority meeting on Thursday 23rd November. That response should be forwarded to you shortly.

Please let me know if you would like any further detail on this or any related issue.

Kind Regards

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