Cost of Policing Public Order Operations 2003

It has been agreed that the MPS would report annually on costs associated with public order events requiring more than 500 officers. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the estimated cost of events during 2003. The details are summarised in the following table (rounded):

Event	Date	Police Deployed	Police Staff Deployed	Opportunity Costs £	Additional Staff Costs £	Additional Other Costs £	Total Additional Costs £	Total Opportunity & Additional Costs £
New Years Eve celebrations	31 December 2002/ 1 January 2003	1,976	105	436,316	34,919	107,054	141,973	578,289
Anti War Rally	15 February 2003	2,904	161	639,744	138,387	134,003	272,390	912,134
Stop the War Demonstration	22 March 2003	2,557	143	587,658	257,416	124,102	381,518	969,176
Stop the War Demonstration	5 April 2003	1,146	23	217,288	48,273	23,689	71,962	289,250
Stop the War Demonstration	12 April 2003	2,762	135	633,067	138,224	94,869	233,093	866,160
London Marathon	13 April 2003	890	150	213,124	26,835	76,443	103,278	316,402
National Front Rally	19 April 2003	545	18	123,550	10,955	19,049	30,004	153,554
May Day Demonstration	1 May 2003	2,888	171	1,266,023	161,863	89,460	251,323	1,517,346
Trooping the Colour	31 May 2003	1,325	128	313,150	25,208	74,569	99,777	412,927
Trooping the Colour	7 June 2003	1,313	132	310,208	14,833	30,841	45,674	355,882
Trooping the Colour	14 June 2003	1,605	128	371,679	14,570	65,107	79,677	451,356
State Visit of President Putin	24 - 27 June 2003	1,458	74	335,299	10,448	24,884	35,332	370,631
Visit of Ariel Sharon	13 - 16 July 2003	783	30	175,638	21,312	25,340	46,652	222,290
Notting Hill Carnival	23 - 25 August 2003 (25 Bank Hold)	10,170	826	2,355,144	2,238,129	1,188,721	3,426,850	5,781,994
Defence Systems & Equipment International Exhibition	1 - 15 September 2003	15,359	289	3,467,689	426,422	523,429	949,851	4,417,540
Stop the War Demonstration	27 September 2003	1,017	21	229,846	19,146	19,835	38,981	268,827
West Ham v Millwall	28 September 2003	645	9	143,480	16,481	11,282	27,763	171,243
Festival of Remembrance (Royal Albert Hall)	8 November 2003	697	118	172,706	11,020	35,388	46,408	219,114
Remembrance Day	9 November 2003	1,485	119	344,645	20,767	71,643	92,410	437,055
State Visit of George Bush	18 - 21 November 2003	11,078	199	2,474,650	782,848	667,182	1,450,030	3,924,680
State Opening of Parliament	26 November 2003	1,572	140	364,589	16,572	81,963	98,535	463,124
England Rugby Team Victory Parade	8 December 2003	693	70	164,855	29,480	24,264	53,744	218,600
Total		64,868	3,189	15,340,349	4,464,108	3,513,117	7,977,225	23,317,574

Additionally, further costs have been incurred due to MPS resources deployed at:

High Visibility Policing - Heathrow Airport (February 2003)

Additional MPS resources were deployed at Heathrow Airport during February 2003 to increase existing levels of security. It involved the deployment of 5,681 police officers and 40 police staff at an estimated cost, to the MPS, of £2,325,781 - this includes £1,101,382 additional costs (£967,509 additional overtime costs).

High Visibility Policing - MPS Response to War in Iraq (High Visibility Policing from March to December 2003)

This has been an ongoing commitment by the MPS to deploy police officers to provide high visibility policing around specified locations with a view to provide reassurance and reinforce existing security arrangements. that the MPS has maintained a level of commitment. As at 31 December 2003 a total of 41,985 police officers had been deployed at an estimated cost of £10,547,051 - this includes £1,358,198 additional costs (£1,096,075 additional overtime costs). The MPS commitment to providing reassurance and the reinforcement of existing security arrangements continues into 2004.

The endurance feat by David Blaine (5th Sept - 19th Oct 2003):

This event involved the deployment of 196 police officers at an estimated cost, to the MPS, of £70,844 - this includes £27,723 additional costs (£24,110 additional overtime costs). Sky Television paid a contribution towards the cost of policing this event.

Fathers 4 Justice crane protest (31st Oct - 5th Nov 2003):

This event involved the deployment of 198 police officers and 144 police staff at an estimated cost, to the MPS, of £141,415 - this includes £79,613 additional costs (£62,427 additional overtime costs).

New Years Eve celebrations (Dec 31 2003 - 1 Jan 2004):

This event involved the deployment of 2,930 police officers and 93 police staff at an estimated cost, to the MPS, of £891,893 - this includes £158,703 additional costs (£35,708 additional overtime costs). (this estimate is based on the resources deployed and information from previous events - the actual cost will be submitted once all relevant information is collated).