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(Left picture courtesy of Greater Manchester Police)

Welcome to the June e-bulletin from your national Federation.

Read the latest POLICE magazine

This [month's issue](#) takes a look at the two terrorist attacks in as many weeks, highlighting both the very worst - and the very best - of humanity. As the death toll in the Manchester Arena bombing reached 22 - including off-duty Cheshire officer Elaine McIver - and a further seven people were killed in London with many more injured, some critically, families across the country grieved.

Following both attacks, officers were widely praised for their response, with your national chair Steve White saying: "Once again police officers and the emergency services stepped up to the challenge, putting their lives on the line for others as they do day in and day out and showing why they are the best at what they do. Their actions undoubtedly saved many lives and we owe them and the other emergency responders a debt of gratitude."

Since then, Prime Minister Theresa May has come under fire over police cuts, with video footage from our 2015 Conference being widely circulated on social media, with the view on reduced numbers in tune with what we have been saying for a number of years.

Also in the magazine is an update on the Protect The Protectors campaign, news on the new police memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum and a [survey](#) about your force's IT provisions.

Annual Conference - Protecting our Protectors

This was the theme of our [Annual Conference](#) (16-17 May), where session topics included discipline, pay and equality.

Speakers outlined the wide-ranging protection and support issues that you currently face, and what we are doing to address these.

In front of over 600 delegates, representatives from the Home Office, Independent Police Complaints Commission, National Police Chiefs' Council and Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary were challenged on issues such as the treatment of firearms officers, better protection for police drivers and the need for welfare to be a priority for a 'service on its knees'.

Read all about the key issues raised and discussed at Annual Conference in [POLICE magazine](#). You can also see news and video coverage from the event [on our website](#).



LAST CHANCE to have your say on pay and morale in the service

Due to technical issues preventing some of you from accessing the survey, it will be open for a few more days. If you have not yet completed the survey, please do it now. Your responses are used to inform government of what you believe is fair in terms of your pay and conditions. We have also been able to ensure that some of the less welcome proposals by other bodies - such as pay uplifts being unconsolidated and the removal of Overnight Allowance - have been discounted. [Take the survey](#).



Got a question about our work on pensions?

We have refreshed the information on our website relating to your pension, so please take a look at [our new pension page](#). As part of our ongoing work in this area, we recently initiated a [Judicial Review against the Home Office](#) relating to the deduction of Employment Support Allowance (ESA) from injury pensions. We have concerns about the way the Home Office has chosen to make changes to the law, as they have used the Welfare Reform Act 2007 to bypass the 'no worsening' provisions in the Police Pensions Act 1976.



Online programme highlights support and resources needed for members

That's the key message behind 'Above and Beyond', an online 60-minute programme produced by us and ITN Productions. It covers a range of policing issues including welfare and assaults, specialist units such as firearms and marine units, as well as budget cuts, and how forces are having to work smarter and collaborate to cope with demand. The film also picks up on our [Protect the Protectors](#) campaign which is calling for measures like the wider roll out of spit guards. [Watch it now](#).



National campaign launches to fund a memorial to fallen officers

A [campaign has been launched to raise money for a new police memorial](#) in Staffordshire. The memorial, conceptualised by the UK Police Memorial Trust, will be built at the National Memorial Arboretum and inscribed with the names of officers and



We outline what you need from the future government ahead of the election

Ourselves, the Police Superintendents' Association, and the Chief Police Officers' Staff Association [have written an open letter to all political parties](#) outlining what our members need from the next government. These include



A special offer from Federation House Conference and Training Centre

Members are being offered the chance to stay at [Federation House](#) at a reduced rate on Friday and Saturday nights. The double rooms are available for £60, with a single occupancy price of just £50. A 40-minute train ride into

staff from the police service who have died in the line of duty. The launch came just weeks after the death of PC Keith Palmer who was murdered protecting Parliament in a terrorist attack in Westminster.

adequate funding, effective support from other agencies, proper protection for you, and for a public debate about the role of policing. The letter calls for you to be 'effectively supported in the difficult, pressurized and often dangerous roles you undertake.'

Central London, Federation House is also within close proximity of Epsom Racecourse, Chessington World of Adventures, Thorpe Park, Legoland, Windsor Castle and a variety of top golf courses. To enquire, please call Reception on 01372 352000.

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Take the pay and morale survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/pfewpaysurvey2017>

More information on pensions: <http://www.polfed.org/fedatwork/Pensions.aspx>

A Judicial Review against the Home Office on injury pension reform: <http://www.polfed.org/newsroom/4283.aspx>

Protect the Protectors campaign: <http://www.polfed.org/campaigning/3635.aspx>

Watch our new online programme 'Above and beyond': <http://www.polfed.org/newsroom/4378.aspx>

Campaign launched to fund new police memorial: <http://www.polfed.org/newsroom/4232.aspx>

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