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Exercise Brief

Scenario

An arsonist has set light to a number of vehicles on the top floor of the car park and to some Large Goods Vehicles parked within the loading bay at ground floor level. A number of shoppers and staff are unaccounted for last seen trying to escape via the loading bay fire exits.



Scenario





Learning Points

Areas for Improvement

- Crews to train in the role of BAECO in multi-pump scenarios.
- Understanding the role and function of Command Support needs to be understood by all operational staff.
- Operational crews must be more pro-active in liaising with the Command Team when they identify tasks which need to be achieved; if staff notice an activity is not being undertaken they should not ignore it in the expectation that the IC will deal with it.
- When two separate incidents occur in close proximity to one another, ICs to maintain comprehensive liaison to ensure safety of crews and effective operational tactics



Learning Points

Positive Points

- This was the first multi-pump exercise for many years and predominantly crews approached it in a positive, enthusiastic and professional manner.
- The exercise was reviewed favourably in the local press.
- The exercise promoted a great deal of honest feedback from those involved which will be used to inform future training and development.
- Control successfully dealt with a multi-pump exercise and a 5-pump 'live' incident involving over-the-border appliances.



Follow-up actions

- ICS team to train all operational staff in the role and function of Command Support during 2012
- P&E team to create exercise programme