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<u>2018</u>

Incident 1
Call from Ambo, stating that they were on route to a dog bite.
Police were in attendance at the address in the form of dog handlers and unarmed officers. AFO's were requested by dog handlers, due to a number of factors,
, the fact that the dog could of jumped over the fence. AFO's have spoken
to the dog handlers
, they did not feel it was safe for officers to enter the rear garden, and that if they did and the dog escaped it would put the public at high risk. AFO's have got authority for animal destruction, and have dispatched the dog.
Incident 2
Report of a Large Japanese AKITA dog attacking a member of the public.
LPU have arrived at the scene and the dog has attacked an officer biting and clamping his jaws down onto the officers vest. AD units have attended and the dog has gone to attack however the AD unit has managed to move into cover quickly IRT have been tasked with an animal destruction officer due to the dogs aggressive behaviour. On arrival AD units have briefed the animal destruction officer reinforcing the dogs aggressive nature. The dog had access to a large communal garden putting further members of the public at risk. The dog has presented itself in a corner of the garden towards the animal destruction officer. The officer has taken decisive action and dispatched the animal.
<u>2019</u>
Incident 1
IP ATTACKED BY DOG IN COMMUNAL GARDEN AREA
AND ARVS ATTEND SCENE TO SUPPORT AD DANGEROUS DOGS TEAM IN SECURING THE DOG. ANIMAL DESTRUCTION AUTHORITIES IN PLACE AS A CONTINGENCY SHOULD THE DOG BREAK OUT INTO THE PUBLIC DOMAIN WHILST THE AD ATTEMPT TO SECURE THE DOG. DOG SECURED NO ISSUES.
Incident 2
Caller reported being bitten by dog, a Cane Corso and it was contained within garden. AD dispatched and ARVs dispatched as a contingency. The dog could scale fences due to its size if frightened and would have access to the public. Also if it got hold of a handler it could cause serious injury or death. ARVs given animal dispatch authority. AD units managed to contain the dog
and snaffle it. Dog was unharmed . ARVs cleared, no shots fired.

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<u>2021</u>

Incident 1 report of being attacked by two pit bull dogs in the back garden at the location. Local officers and ambo attended, secured them in a metal shed officers from the TFT attended with animal destruction capabilities. Once a vet and park ranger were in attendance the TFT cut holes in the shed and the ranger fired tranquilliser darts into both animals, sedating them. They were then removed by the police dog unit to a secure kennels. Incident 2 Initial report was of a large brown dog out of control and going for members of the public, AD unit was dispatched, on their arrival the dog has again gone to bite the AD officer. ARVs deployed with an authority for animal destruction with the tac parameters that it was only to be used if every other less than lethal tactic had been exhausted and if there was a real and imminent threat to life. Working in conjunction with the AD units, the dog was safely detained using snaffle poles and taser shield, Incident 3 reporting that 2 large dogs have mauled contingency for animal destruction. However once ARVs

<u>Abbreviations:</u>

AD unit – Dog Unit

AFO – Armed Firearms Officer

Ambo – Ambulance Service

ARV – Armed Response Vehicle

IP – Injured Party

IRT – Incident Response Team

LPU – Local Policing Unit

TFT – Tactical Firearms Team

on plot it was established the dogs had been secured in their pen

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