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## **Queen Elizabeth II**

The Police Authority mourns the passing of Queen Elizabeth II on 8 September.

Supporting the Crown is a fundamental cornerstone of British policing. All police officers starting their careers over the last 70 years will have pledged to serve the Queen in the office of constable. Since Her late Majesty's coronation City officers have policed three Royal Jubilees and the many events in the City attended by Her late Majesty. During a 70 year reign, Her late Majesty provided assent for the appointment of 10 City of London Police Commissioners, in accordance with the City of London Police Act 1839.

The Police Authority is grateful to City of London Police officers who continue to serve as part of a major policing operation to keep London safe and secure as the nation mourns Her late Majesty and prepares for the accession of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to the throne.

## **Police Authority Board Dinner**

Prior to the news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the subsequent cancellation of the dinner, a small reception hosted approx. 50-60 guests and some useful connections were made. The Police Authority will be considering whether to organise a postponed dinner later this year.

## **Online Safety Bill**

Chairs of Police Authority Board and Policy & Resources have co-signed a letter arranged by Which to highlight an urgent need for the new Government to progress the Online Safety Bill to protect people from fraud.

## **Cyber Security Member's Briefing**

Given cyber resilience is critical to the UK's competitiveness and everyone has a part to play in ensuring the City is a safe place to do business, the Police Authority is hosting a Cyber Griffin briefing for all Members on Tuesday 18 October at 8.30-10.30am. Founded by the City of London Police in 2017 with funding from the Corporation, Cyber Griffin is an initiative that supports businesses and individuals in the Square Mile to protect themselves from cyber crime, free of charge. The briefing will also provide an insight into the wider services offered by Cyber Griffin which could be of benefit to the individuals and companies in the City. Content is certified by the National Cyber Security Centre. All Members are encouraged to attend.