

Compare the recommendations

Task: Match the recommendations from the families affected and the coroner's report. Use two colours to indicate similarities and differences between their points.

Recommendations from families of the victims.

- Transport for London to review the location of first aid kits, and why they cannot be in carriages, under seats. Furthermore, bosses should consider equipping stations with specialist stretchers to safely extract the severely injured at speed.
- London underground should review communication in major emergency situations, e.g. a clearer system to confirm they have turned off the electric rail and they should also tell the capital's other transport agencies.
- Station supervisors should be responsible for running a designated a meeting point for all emergency services during incidents, and communicating this to emergency services.
- The Ambulance Service should change the way they use triage cards to record any drugs given to a patient before they are moved. Triage cards are used during major emergencies to label each injured person so that doctors and paramedics know who they need to treat first amid the chaos. Furthermore, Casualties who are not breathing but still have a pulse, should be reclassified as priority patients for resuscitation. (reviving someone from unconsciousness)
- The Medical Emergency Response Incident Team (Merit) should cease to be a voluntary group and should become more formally recognised under the London Ambulance Service.
- The London Air Ambulance (also known as HEMS) should be made a key partner involved in the future of London Emergency Service Liaison Plan. The government and local authorities should urgently consider proper funding.
- Rethink the language they use in major incidents and replace jargon and acronyms with plain English. Whether the emergency services should have a single joint system to alert each other when one of them declares a major incident.
- Efforts to minimise to make it harder for a plotter to buy liquid oxygen/hydrogen peroxide, a key homemade bomb ingredient, and whether more can be done to report sales of the chemical.

DIFFERENCE

Recommendations from the Coroner's report.

- + MI5 must review its procedures on showing photographs to informants, and make sure they see the best possible pictures
- + MI5 should examine its procedures to see if it can further improve the recording of decisions on the assessment of targets
- + Emergency planners should review the inter-agency training for front line staff, particularly with reference to the Underground system
- + The way Transport for London is alerted to major incidents, and the way it tells other agencies about emergencies on its network, should be reviewed
- Transport for London and the emergency services should review procedures for agreeing a common initial rendezvous point. That point should then be permanently manned by an appropriate person from London Underground
- + There should be a review of procedures for telling emergency services that the power in Underground tunnels has been switched off, and that it is safe to go onto the tracks
- Transport for London should consider whether first aid kits can be carried on Tube trains, and whether the stretchers stored at stations are suitable for use on both trains and stations
- + London Ambulance Service and London Air Ambulance must review training of their staff for triage, or assessment, at incidents with multiple casualties. Particularly, staff should be told that performing triage does not prevent them giving immediate or basic medical treatment
- The government, the Mayor of London and other bodies should examine the funding and capabilities of the London Air Ambulance, which currently relies on "corporate funding and charitable donations"

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