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Professional Standards Unit

A Home Office investigation into the circumstances surrounding an allegation that Mr. D1538 was assaulted by Detainee Custody Officers on 3 June 2017 and was subject to homophobic comments on 28 June 2017, at Brook House IRC.

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Investigating Officer

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- 7.2.26 DCO Instone-Brewer stated DCO Fiddy told Mr [D1538] to “get back” and “stay back” several times but Mr [D1538] continued to approach DCO Fiddy who then pushed Mr [D1538] away. DCO Instone-Brewer stated Mr [D1538] “launched at DCO E.Fiddy and grabbed him by the throat to which at a short struggle DCO E.Fiddy managed to push him away”.
- 7.2.27 CCTV shows Mr [D1538] sitting and he appears to be working at a computer although the unit is not actually visible. Mr [D1538] appears to be directing conversation toward the DCO desk and gesturing in that direction.
- 7.2.28 CCTV shows DCO Fiddy enter the room, carrying what appears to be a mug in his left hand, and walk to the DCO desk. DCO Fiddy’s attention appears to be drawn toward Mr [D1538]
- 7.2.29 CCTV shows Mr [D1538] stand and move close to DCO Fiddy before returning to his seat. Two other detainees are seen standing and talking to Mr [D1538] and appear to gently move him away from the DCO desk.
- 7.2.30 CCTV shows Mr [D1538] again stand and stride close to DCO Fiddy who raises his arm and pushes Mr [D1538] away with an open palm.
- 7.2.31 CCTV shows Mr [D1538] again move close to DCO Fiddy who again pushes him away with open palm. Mr [D1538] then appears to hold DCO Fiddy’s arm and draw him closer whilst appearing to hold DCO Fiddy by the back of his neck. DCO Fiddy again pushes Mr [D1538] away with open palms.
- 7.2.32 CCTV shows Mr [D1538] to appear agitated in his manner and he appears to have a desire to move back toward the DCOs. Other detainees are seen coming between Mr [D1538] and the DCOs and to restrain Mr [D1538]
- 7.2.33 CCTV does not show any approach toward Mr [D1538] by either DCO before or during these incidents.
- 7.2.34 Written records support copies of Rule 40 paperwork were issued for, and given by hand to, Mr [D1538] within 2 hours of his being placed on Rule 40. Records support Mr [D1538] was in Rule 40 for less than 24 hours and all necessary parties were informed of his removal. Records support Mr [D1538] was assessed by Healthcare prior to his being placed on Rule 40. Records support Mr [D1538] was seen by the Home Office within 24 hours of being placed on Rule 40. Records show the reason for placing Mr [D1538] on Rule 40. Email evidence supports the Home Office would not be involved in the decision to place Mr [D1538] onto Rule 40.
- 7.2.35 Written records support Mr [D1538] was issued clothing on 1 June 2017. Evidence supports that clothing issue included jogging bottoms and a jumper. CCTV shows Mr [D1538] was wearing calf length leg wear on 3 June 2017. Evidence further supports Mr [D1538] had, in his room, on 3 June 2017 clothing other than solely T shirts and “boxer” type shorts.
- 7.2.36 Evidence supports G4S initiated an internal investigation into Mr [D1538]’s complaints, including his allegation of homophobic comments.