

Update on the less lethal work programme of HOSDB

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The Home Office Scientific Development Branch has had a programme of work investigating the applicability of various less lethal technologies to the UK Association of Chief Police Officers Operational Requirement since 1999. This presentation will briefly outline the history of the programme and the success of equipment that has been deployed (including Taser X26 and the Attenuating Energy Projectile). It will also cover current work and work that is planned for the future, including the development of the Discriminating Irritant Projectile.