

# **ALL-PARTY PARLIAMENTARY GROUP on MODERN LANGUAGES**



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## **Police Approved Interpreters and Translators scheme (PAIT) - the new standard for safe and effective language services in the UK's police forces.**

**Thursday 13 May 2021, 3pm**

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### **Minutes**

Parliamentary attendance:

Baroness Coussins

Baroness Finlay

Baroness Garden of Frognal

Lord Harris of Haringey

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PAIT is a new classification for interpreters and translators carrying out police assignments across England and Wales that provides regulation, standardisation and assurance for all police forces in the UK that the interpreters and translators used are of the correct standard, have the right vetting and qualifications and (if they are not up to the job) receive training or are removed from police work. PAIT is supported by all Chief Constables in the UK.

#### **Speakers**

- Mark Lewis, National Police Contract Manager – Language Services, Leicestershire Police
- Chief Simon Cole QPM, National Police Chiefs Council lead on language services, and Chief Constable of Leicestershire Police
- John Worne, CEO, Chartered Institute of Linguists

The presentation and report will be made available on the APPG's website.