

160 PROVOST COMPANY **4th REGIMENT ROYAL MILITARY POLICE**



Role

The role of 160 Provost Company (160 Pro Coy) is to provide Provost Support (primarily investigation and Crime Reduction services) to a community of about 20,000 military personnel within Greater London and the South East of England; and to provide Provost Support in the form of a General Support (Lines of Communication) Pro Coy to 101 Logistic Brigade whenever it deploys on exercises or operations.

Organisation

The area of responsibility for 160 Pro Coy consists of Greater London and the counties of Hampshire, West Sussex, East Sussex, Royal Berkshire, Surrey, Kent, Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire. Company Headquarters is located at Aldershot, Hampshire, with Military Police stations situated in Aldershot, Central London, Shorncliffe (Kent), Bicester and Abingdon (both Oxfordshire).

History

There has been a formal Military Police presence in Aldershot and the surrounding area since the formation of the Military Foot Police (MFP) and the Military Mounted Police (MMP) in 1885. In 1897 this presence was enhanced with the establishment of the first Military Police Depot for the training of recruits at Stanhope Lines, Aldershot. Numbers increased in 1939 with the establishment of a complete Pro Coy in Aldershot.

In 1964 160 Pro Coy was formed and moved into Provost Barracks in 1968, where it remains today. The Mounted Troop of 160 Pro Coy provided the escort to Lady Diana Spencer at the Royal Wedding in 1981. Since 1964, personnel from 160 Pro Coy have deployed to all theatres of operations in which the British Army has been involved. These include the recapture of the Falkland Islands, Kuwait, Cyprus, Rwanda, Angola, Sierra Leone, Bosnia, Kosovo, Macedonia and Iraq. Currently a significant portion of 160 Pro Coy is deployed in Helmand Province, Afghanistan.

From 1999 160 Pro Coy formed part of 3rd Regiment, Royal Military Police and was the Close Support Pro Coy assigned to 12 Mechanised Brigade. In 2004 160 Pro Coy became part of 4th Regiment, Royal Military Police and assumed its present role.

The Future

Following a further Defence Review (Future Army Structures) in 2005 160 Pro Coy was granted an increase in both manpower and equipment. Within Aldershot both Headquarters 160 Pro Coy and Regimental Headquarters, 4 RMP will occupy Provost Barracks when it has been rebuilt in the near future.

Contact 160 Pro Coy

Company Headquarters is located in Provost Barracks, Maida Road, Aldershot, Hants, GU11 2DN. The Military Police Station can be contacted on 01252 347323.

The Local Area

If you require further information on Aldershot Garrison and the local area please click on the following link:

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