

Northumbria Police Operational Tactical Training Centre

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Operational Tactical Training Centre

Opened in 2013, the Northumbria Police Operational and Tactical Training Centre (OTTC) is used for the delivery of firearms training and also provides a superb facility for many aspects of other training.

The OTTC is a state of the art firing range complex and offers a wide range of facilities for both tactical and classroom based training.

Based in the North East of England at Gateshead, Tyne & Wear, the OTTC is within easy access from the A1 and A19. Public transport links via Newcastle Central Railway Station and Newcastle Airport are within a 30 minute drive.

Facilities include:

- Firing ranges
- Tactical Training Area
- Immersive Learning Suite
- Classrooms
- Meeting / Briefing Room

In the 12 months since opening, the OTTC has already established training partnerships with:

- National Crime Agency
- Royal Marines
- Civil Nuclear Constabulary
- South Yorkshire Police



Firing Ranges

The newly built centre has two indoor 60m high velocity firing ranges.

Both ranges use a computerised target turning system and are fitted with sound systems, and effect lighting, to create different environments and situations to test skill and judgement.

Lighting effects that can be created include low to complete darkness, red and blue, street lighting and disco.

The ground floor range has doors which enable vehicles to be driven on. It also has the facility for attenuating energy projectile (AEP) to be used.

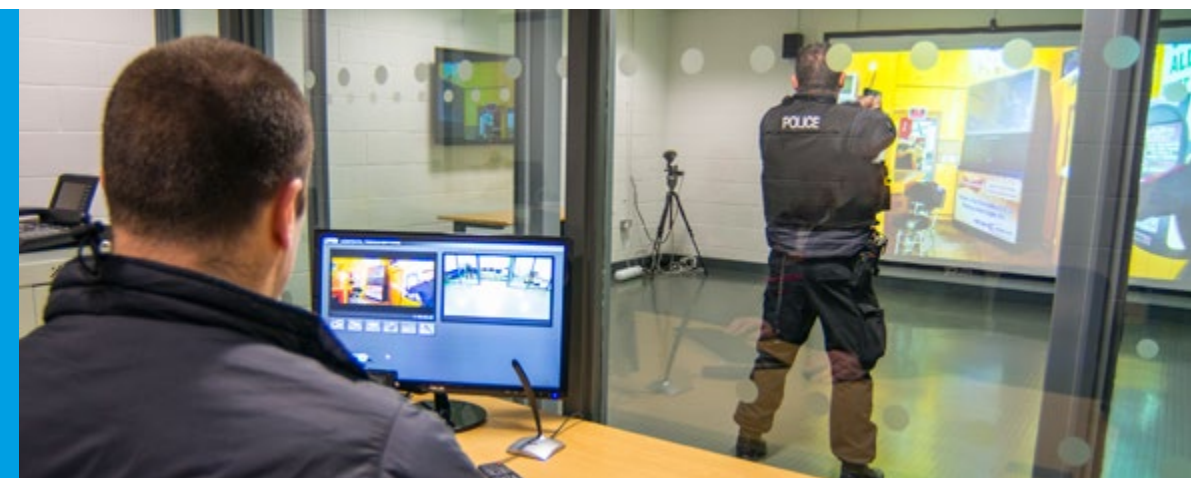
The second has 180 degree ballistic capability and has Computer Generated Imagery (CGI) to project either moving or still images.

Judgemental Suite

A Judgemental Suite creates interaction between the firearm operator and target. The simulator means both can react to the other's movements via CGI creating a live-fire training facility.

The CGI effectively extends the length of the range to 100 metres and beyond.

Assessing accuracy in target shooting is even more effective with thermal shot virtual targetry.





Tactical Training Area (TTA)

The purpose built TTA is designed to immerse students into a safe realistic urban training environment. The area is positioned within a secure area. This facility can be used to practice tactics or be used for scenario type training. The tactical training area offers the following facilities:

- Pathways, alleyways, junctions and roads for vehicle use.
- Street lighting.
- Street furniture including bins, brick walls and wooden fencing.
- Method of entry rigs for standard method of entry or advance method of entry i.e. cutting, burning.
- A two storey tactical training building that includes a method of entry door; two method of entry windows, an external and internal staircase and a garage. The internal staircase and rooms are moveable and can be reconfigured depending on the training requirement.
- Additional multi-room premises for further room clearance. One of these building holds a viewing gantry whereby students, instructors and Commanders can observe tactical clearances.
- Taser range.
- All buildings have ground and first floor opening windows enabling threat identification.

Simunition can be used within all areas of the TTA.

The TTA is a state of the art facility and is unique to the OTTC.

Method of Entry (MOE) Rig

The Tactical Training Area comprises an MOE rig to allow for training on forced entry methods including kinetic, ballistic and hydraulic.



Immersive Learning Suite

The Immersive Learning Suite offers a unique learning experience. Students are immersed into their role and, through the sophisticated technology, are presented with a scenario through a variety of media sources.

Through audio, visual and paperbased feeds students can experience as close to reality as possible the emotions, pressures and decision making processes of an incident while in a safe working environment.

The Immersive Learning Suite is ideal for testing knowledge of plans, policies and procedures. It can also be used as a highly effective tool for staff development and refresher training.





Classrooms

Two purpose built, air conditioned classrooms provide a cutting edge learning environment. The classrooms are fitted with projector screen, computer and sound systems.

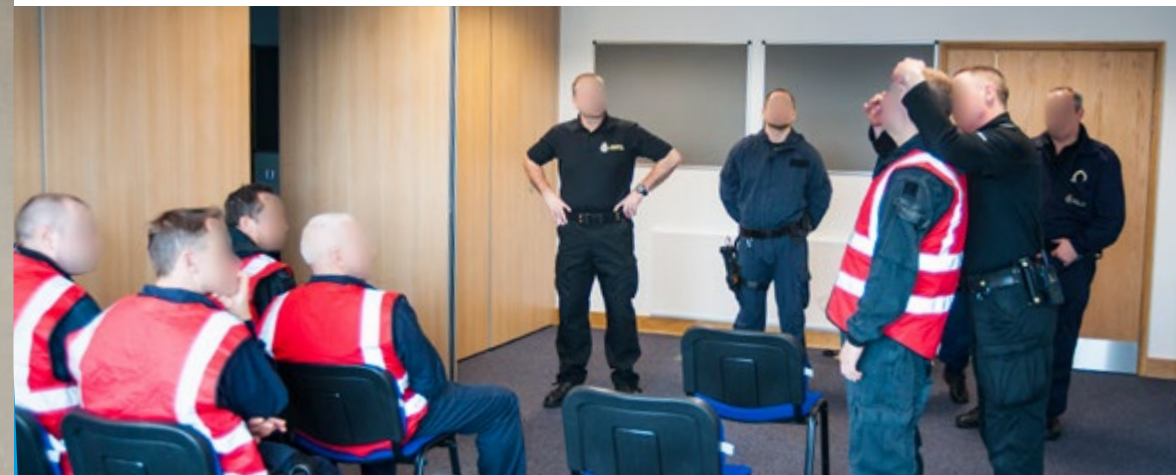
Meeting Room

The Meeting Room holds a maximum of 16 people and is fitted with a projector screen, computer and sound systems.

Briefing Room

The Meeting Room holds a maximum of 30 people and is fitted with projector screen, computer and sound systems.

The Meeting and Briefing Rooms can be transformed into one larger room with a capacity of 46 people.





Available Courses

All of the facilities at Follingsby Park are available for hire for you to use as a training facility.

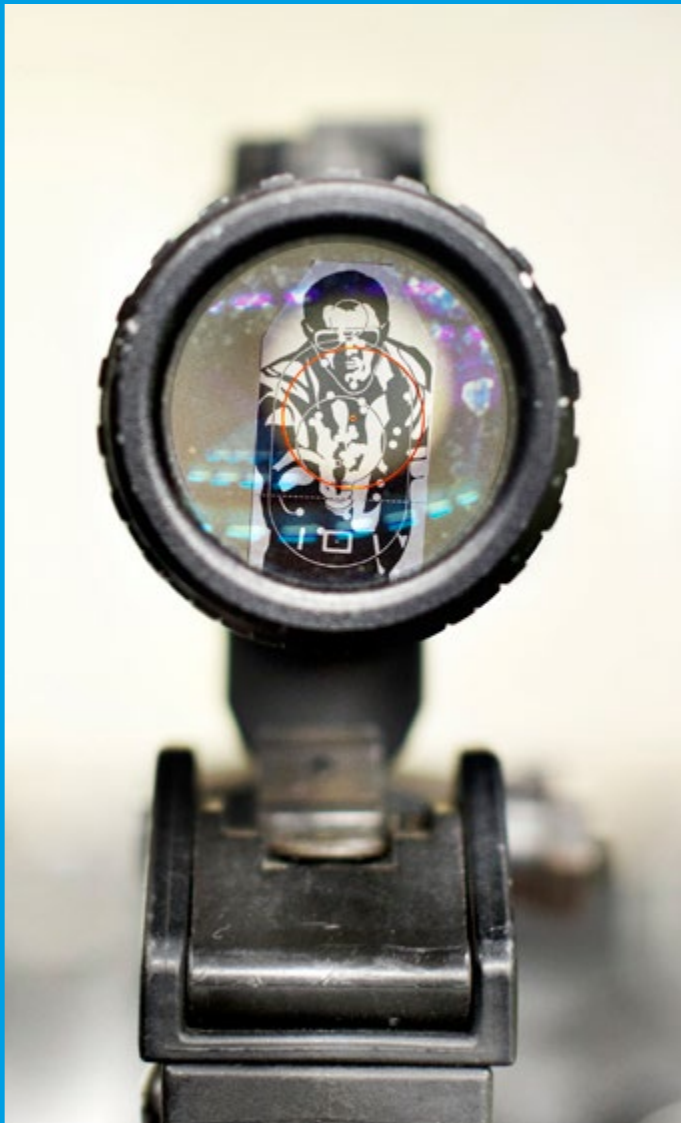
Alternatively, we can also provide the following courses:

- Dynamic Intervention and Entry Course
- Firearms Trainers Course
- Rifle Course
- Initial Tactical Firearms Commanders
- Cadre Tactical Firearms Commanders
- Tactical Firearms Commander Re-Accreditation
- Operation Firearms Commanders (Theory & ARV module)
- Initial Firearms Tactical Advisors
- Firearms Tactical Advisors Re-Accreditation

Please send all enquiries regarding our facilities and courses to follingsby@northumbria.pnn.police.uk



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