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## **Minister Costa addresses Police recruits**

The Minister for Health, Care and Justice, the Honourable Neil F Costa MP, visited New Mole House Police Station and addressed the recruits currently undergoing their initial police training course.

The current recruit intake is made up of 11 Royal Gibraltar Police and 1 Gibraltar Defence Police recruit constables, who are undergoing a 15 week long police training course. The course includes legislation, police powers and investigative skills. The recruits are also exposed to practical sessions, including unarmed defence tactics and the use of, and exposure to incapacitant spray.

The recruits will take part in their pass out parade on Wednesday 19th June, to be held at John Macintosh Square, before becoming operational.

Commissioner McGrail expressed his gratitude to Minister Costa for having taken time out from his busy schedule to visit the recruits and showing interest in their progress. Speaking to the recruits, he added that he is personally being kept abreast of their individual development and is very happy with their progression so far, and looks forward to them completing their course and seeing them at their pass-out parade.

Minister Costa commented: "I would like to thank Commissioner McGrail and his officers for their dedication and professionalism in ensuring the new recruits are properly trained and prepared before commencing their careers as Police Officers. I would like to take this opportunity to wish the recruits the very best in their journey and future careers; they should feel proud of what they have achieved so far."

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