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This AGM notes with great concern the unprecedented levels of violent, weaponised attacks on Co-op colleagues in stores throughout the UK. This level of violence reflects that in wider society which has been so tragically highlighted in recent months.

We welcome the campaigning position taken in December 2018 by our Co-op through the *Safer Colleagues, Safer Communities* and the commitment to both protect colleagues and address the root causes of crime in society.

We ask members to support our Board in the actions it is taking to maintain and strengthen this position specifically to:

- maintain levels of investment in technology and security measures to keep colleagues safe which has seen £70m invested in the previous three years; and
- build on increased support to community groups who tackle the root causes of violent crime to help individuals in those communities to reach their full potential.