

Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire and Rescue Authority

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE OUTCOMES

Report of the Chair of the Community Safety Committee

Agenda No:

Date: 28 May 2010

Purpose of Report:

To report to Members on the business and actions of the Community Safety Committee meeting of Friday 16 April 2010.

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1. BACKGROUND

As part of the revised Governance arrangements the Authority has delegated key responsibilities for Community Safety to the Community Safety Committee. As part of those delegated responsibilities the Chair of the Community Safety Committee and the Management lead report to the Authority on its business and actions as agreed at Fire and Rescue Authority meeting 1 June 2007.

2. REPORT

- 2.1 The minutes of the Community Safety Committee held on Friday 16 April 2010 are attached to this report at Appendix A. The following summarises the main points discussed at the meeting.
- 2.2 The Committee gave consideration to a report regarding Continuation of the On Fire Fund, which outlined to Members the value, benefits and achievement of the On Fire Fund to date and proposals that the Community Safety Committee approve the continuation of the fund. It was resolved that the continuation of the 'On Fire Fund' activity be approved and the list of projects that had been successful in obtaining funding for the period November 2007 to March 2009 be noted. Additionally, that the Chief Fire Officer submit updates on the Fund on a regular basis, and that Councillors be provided with the criteria, application form and guidance which was provided to groups applying for funding.
- 2.3 A further report was presented concerning Road Casualty Reduction, which reported on progress towards meeting the national casualty reduction targets for 2010, and provided additional statistical information on the impact of the work of the Nottinghamshire Road Safety Partnership. It was resolved:
 - that the work of the Service delivered through the Nottinghamshire Road Safety Partnership continue to be supported;
 - that with regard to the information reported in Paragraph 2.2 showing that the number of people killed and injured had continued to fall, Assistant Chief Fire Officer Horton and the Head of Community Safety, ensure that the success of the Partnership was promulgated through various means including an article in Response Magazine and a press release:
 - that the Head of Community Safety write to each councillor on this Committee providing them with comparative figures of Road Safety Partnerships and the Nottinghamshire Road Safety Partnership be invited to make a presentation at a future meeting.
- 2.4 Consideration was also given by the Committee to a report updating on Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service's Student Campaign and the associated Fire Kills Student Brand Ambassadors campaign activity within

the student community. It was resolved that the work undertaken with students of Nottingham and Nottingham Trent Universities and other colleges in raising awareness amongst the student population be noted and the further work programmed in 2010 be supported.

- 2.5 Additionally, an outline of the progress of special needs resources developed to support the RiskWatch programme, was presented to the Committee, with a resolution that the approach being taken to extend the RiskWatch programme to address those children with Special Educational Needs be supported and the resources used in an interactive presentation with students from Portland College be viewed at the rising of the meeting.
- 2.6 Fire Protection Activity 2010-13 formed the basis of a further report before the Committee. Upon consideration of the report the Committee resolved that the approach being undertaken by the Service to deliver against its statutory duty with regard to fire protection be supported.
- 2.7 The final report highlighted the approach to be adopted, by utilising the Knowledge Transfer Partnership as a vehicle for addressing the proposed examination of the Community Risk Reduction Strategy. The Committee resolved that the approach being taken by the Service to review its current Community Safety activities be endorsed and further reports be submitted by the Chief Fire Officer as to the progress of the Knowledge Transfer Partnership arrangement. Additionally, it was resolved that the principle that the outcomes of the Knowledge Transfer Partnership project would inform the Service's approach to Risk Reduction be supported.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All financial implications were considered as part of the original reports submitted to the Community Safety Committee.

4. HUMAN RESOURCES AND LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

All human resources and learning and development implications were considered as part of the original reports submitted to the Community Safety Committee.

5. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An initial equality impact assessment has identified no specific aspects relating to a disproportionate effect in respect of the key equality strands.

6. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

There are no crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no additional risk management issues arising from this report other than those specifically reported to the Committee as part of the reports under consideration.

9. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Members note the contents of this report.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR INSPECTION (OTHER THAN PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS)

None.

Councillor John Hempsall
CHAIR OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on <u>16 APRIL 2010</u> at the Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge, from 10.00 am to 10.40 am.

<u>Membership</u>

Councillor J Hempsall
Councillor B Cooper
Councillor S Fielding
Councillor B Grocock
Councillor K Longdon

Members absent are marked ^

14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

15 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS</u>

No declarations of interests were made.

16 NOTES

RESOLVED that the notes of the informal meeting held on the 15 January 2010, copies of which had been circulated, be noted.

17 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 16 October 2009, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

18 CONTINUATION OF THE 'ON FIRE FUND'

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, outlining the value, benefits and achievements of the 'On Fire Fund.' With regard to groups that had not been successful in being donated money (set out in appendix B), a service had nevertheless been offered to them and it had proved a useful tool in working with hard to reach communities.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the continuation of the 'On Fire Fund' activity be approved and the list of projects that had been successful in obtaining funding for the period November 2007 to March 2009 (set out in appendix A) be noted;
- (2) that the Chief Fire Officer submit updates on the Fund on a regular basis;
- (3) that councillors be provided with the criteria, application form and guidance which was provided to groups applying for funding.

19 ROAD CASUALTY REDUCTION

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, on progress towards meeting the 2010 national casualty reduction targets.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the work of the Service delivered through the Nottinghamshire Road Safety Partnership continue to be supported;
- (2) that with regard to the information reported in paragraph 2.2 showing that the number of people killed and injured had continued to fall, Assistant Chief Fire Officer Horton and the Head of Community Safety, ensure that the success of the Partnership was promulgated through various means including an article in Response Magazine and a press release:
- (3) that the Head of Community Safety write to each councillor on this Committee providing them with comparative figures of Road Safety Partnerships and the Nottinghamshire Road Safety Partnership be invited to make a presentation at a future meeting.

20 STUDENT BRAND AMBASSADOR

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, updating councillors on the Service's Student Campaign and the associated Fire Kills Student Brand Ambassadors' campaign activity within the student community. It was estimated that Nottingham City had 7,500 houses in multiple occupation, most of which were student accommodation. The City Council's Environmental Health Officers held regular meetings with private landlords but these were the responsible landlords and it was the irresponsible ones who needed to be targeted.

RESOLVED that the work undertaken with students of Nottingham and Nottingham Trent Universities and other colleges in raising awareness amongst the student population be noted and the further work programmed in 2010 be supported.

21 RISKWATCH: SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, on the progress of special needs resources developed to support the RiskWatch programme.

RESOLVED that the approach being taken to extend the RiskWatch programme to address those children with Special Educational Needs be supported and the resources used in an interactive presentation with students from Portland College be viewed at the rising of the meeting.

22 FIRE PROTECTION ACTIVITY 2010-2013

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, outlining the themes and principles which underpinned the Service's Fire Protection Department. A copy of the Fire Protection Plan 2010-2013 was passed around the table. Prior to the Fire Safety Order (2005) (FSO) the Service regularly inspected 2,500 certificated premises but was now responsible for around 100,000 premises.

RESOLVED that the approach being undertaken by the Service to deliver against its statutory duty with regard to fire protection be supported.

23 KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER PARTNERSHIP

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the approach being taken by the Service to review its current Community Safety activities be endorsed and further reports be submitted by the Chief Fire Officer as to the progress of the Knowledge Transfer Partnership arrangement;
- (2) that the principle that the outcomes of the Knowledge Transfer Partnership project would inform the Service's approach to Risk Reduction be supported.