



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
Fire & Rescue Service
Creating Safer Communities

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: 23 May 2008

Purpose of Report:

To report to Members on the business and actions of the Community Safety Committee meeting of 11 April 2008.

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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 meeting are attached to this report at Appendix B. The following summarises the main points of the papers discussed at the meeting.
- 2.2 **Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership Merger**; The Committee considered a report on the above, this outlined the process which is in place with the Service being consulted about the merger. The Committee have recognised the benefits for Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service and have approved the recommendation. This will see the Chair of the Authority being sent relevant papers for signing.
- 2.3 **Local Area Assessment and Comprehensive Area Assessment Update**; The Committee considered the Service interface between Local Area Agreements (LAA) and Comprehensive Area Assessments. The Committee also considered the methodology the Service has put forward to take us forward as both the City and County LAA develops further and to support that approach.
- 2.4 **Evaluation of RiskWatch Programme**; The Committee considered a report with regard to RiskWatch, which is a well established tool utilised by the Service since September 2003. The report detailed progress and the ongoing evaluation process. The Committee recognise the value of RiskWatch and support its use by the Service.

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

5. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An equality impact assessment has been undertaken and concludes that there are no implications arising from this report. The initial equality impact assessment is given as Appendix A to this report.

6. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

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

7. 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.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

That Members note the contents of this report and the business undertaken by Community Safety Committee.

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

None.

Councillor Sybil Fielding
CHAIR OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

INITIAL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

<i>Section</i> Risk Response/ Reduction	<i>Manager</i> Martin Smart	Date of Assessment January 2008	New or Existing N/A
Name of Report to be assessed		Community Safety Committee Outcomes	
1. Briefly describe the aims, objectives and purpose of the report.		To inform the Fire and Rescue Authority of the business of the Community Safety Committee from its meeting on 18 January 2008.	
2. Who is intended to benefit from this report and what are the outcomes?		The Fire and Rescue Authority require a report on the business of its Committees on a regular basis.	
3. Who are the main stakeholders in relation to the report?		Fire and Rescue Authority	
4. Who implements and who is responsible for the report?		Implementation of any actions arising is the responsibility of the Assistant Chief Fire Officer in charge of Risk Response and Risk Reduction respectively.	

4. Please identify the differential impact in the terms of the six strands below. Please tick yes if you have identified any differential impacts. Please state evidence of negative or positive impacts below.

<i>STRAND</i>	Y	N	<i>NEGATIVE IMPACT</i>	<i>POSITIVE IMPACT</i>
Race		X		
Gender		X		
Disability		X		
Religion or Belief		X		
Sexuality		X		
Age		X		

6. Can this adverse impact be justified on the grounds of promoting equality of opportunity for one group?	Y	N	7. Should the policy/service proceed to a full impact assessment?	Y	N

I am satisfied that this policy has been successfully impact assessed. I understand the impact assessment of this policy is a statutory obligation and that, as owners of this policy, we take responsibility for the completion and quality of this process.

Signed (completing person)... ..Martin Smart.....

Date ...January 2008



**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM
FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of the meeting held on **15 APRIL 2008** at the Fire and Rescue HQ, Bestwood Lodge, Arnold, Nottingham, from 10.03 am to 10.45 am.

Membership

- Councillor S Fielding (Chair)
- ^ Councillor B Grocock
- Councillor J Hempsall
- Councillor P Henshaw
- ^ Councillor P Owen

Members absent are marked ^

28 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Grocock and Councillor Owen (on County Council business).

29 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

30 MINUTES

a) Confirmation

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 18 January 2008, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

b) Matters Arising

Further to minute 23 (2) regarding members lobbying Ministers to ensure the Service became the national lead body for flooding arrangements, the Committee was informed that the Chief Fire and Rescue Advisor's Review 'Facing the

Challenge' was undecided in terms of the Fire and Rescue Service being allocated statutory duties.

RESOLVED that the position be noted and the Chief Fire Officer inform this Committee of any further developments.

31 BROXTOWE, GEDLING AND RUSHCLIFFE CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIPS MERGER

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

RESOLVED

- (1) that the application to the Government Office for the East Midlands, to formalise the merger of South Nottinghamshire (Interim) Merged Strategic Partnership so that Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership areas would share merged audit and strategy functions be approved;**
- (2) that the relevant papers regarding the proposed merger be forwarded to the Chair of the Fire and Rescue Authority for signature.**

32 LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (LAA) / COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT (CAA) UPDATE

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, and to a presentation, copies of which were available at this meeting.

The following supporting documents were placed around the table:-

- One Nottingham's proposed LAA indicators;
- CAA assessment framework White Paper;
- Local Performance Framework;
- The New Performance Framework for Local Authorities and Local Authority Partners;
- CAA joint consultation.

RESOLVED that the current approach to the development of the County and City Local Area Agreements, as detailed in the report, be supported.

33 RISK WATCH PROGRAMME - EVALUATION

Further to minute 24 dated 18 January 2008, consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, updating members on the evaluation to date of RiskWatch using two methods:-

- (a) feedback gathered from teachers and students following the delivery of the programme at schools;**
- (b) specialist advisors such as the University of Nottingham and potentially Nottingham Trent University.**

RESOLVED that the report be noted.