



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
Fire & Rescue Service
Creating Safer Communities

Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham
Fire and Rescue Authority

POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE OUTCOMES

Report of the Chair of the Policy and Strategy Committee

Agenda No:

Date: 23 May 2008

Purpose of Report:

To report to Members the business and actions of the Policy and Strategy Committee meeting of 2 May 2008.

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1. BACKGROUND

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

2. REPORT

- 2.1 The minutes of the Policy and Strategy Committee meeting on 2 May 2008 are attached to this report at Appendix B. The following summarises the main points of the papers discussed at the meeting.
- 2.2 The Policy and Strategy Committee were in receipt of two reports, the first of which sought Committee approval for the adoption of the Code of Corporate Governance and recommended this be forwarded to the next full Authority meeting for formal adoption. The recommendation was endorsed and hence the Code of Corporate Governance is presented elsewhere on this agenda for formal adoption.
- 2.3 The second report updated Members on the outcomes of the Local Government Association Conference 2008 – “Building Resilience : Responding to Environmental Change” and sought continued support for attendance at this national event. The report was noted, and support for future attendance endorsed.
- 2.4 The Committee were finally asked to consider 23 May 2008 for the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Authority and this was agreed.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

All financial implications were considered as part of the original reports submitted to the Policy and Strategy 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 Policy and Strategy Committee.

5. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

An equality impact assessment has been undertaken and concludes that there are no implications arising from this report. The 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

The Service's performance in relation to matters addressed through Policy and Strategy Committee is scrutinised through a range of audit processes. The Service needs to continue to perform well in these areas as external scrutiny through Comprehensive Performance Assessment and auditors' judgement is key to future Service delivery.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

That Members note the contents of this report and the business undertaken by the Policy and Strategy Committee.

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

None.

Councillor Darrell Pulk
CHAIR OF POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

INITIAL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

<i>Section</i> SMT	<i>Manager</i> CFO Frank Swann	Date of Assessment 02 May 2008	New or Existing N/A
Name of Report to be assessed		POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE OUTCOMES	
1. Briefly describe the aims, objectives and purpose of the report.		To report to the Authority the business and actions of the Policy and Strategy Committee meeting of 02 May 2008.	
2. Who is intended to benefit from this report and what are the outcomes?		The 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 Members.	
4. Who implements and who is responsible for the report?		Implementation of any actions arising is the responsibility of the Chief Fire Officer.	

5. 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
					X

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): **CFO Frank Swann**

Date: **02 May 2008**