



**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

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**Agenda No:**

**Date:** 5 September 2008

**Purpose of Report:**

To report to Members on the business and actions of the Community Safety Committee meeting of 11 July 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 of the Community Safety Committee held on Friday 11 July 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 Committee were firstly in receipt of a report updating Members on home safety check activity and progress of evaluation, following recommendations of the Committee in January 2008. The report outlined:
- § The results of an evaluation of customer satisfaction, which was published in September 2005 – the most positive outcome of this evaluation was the feedback which suggested individuals were changing their safety habits as a result of the visits.
  - § The process by which homes safety checks are generated.
  - § Targets for home safety checks.
  - § A breakdown on home safety checks carried out per district, per financial year (from 2003/04 – 2007/08) – noting that the target set for home safety checks of 25,000 by the end of 2009 has been exceeded and that over 39,000 have been completed so far. It was also noted that as part of the process a total of 51,186 smoke alarms have been fitted up to the end of the financial year 2007/08.
  - § Nottinghamshire's grant allocation to establish a programme of home fire risk checks for the financial years 2004/05 to 2007/08.

It was resolved that the report be noted, and that the full Fire and Rescue Authority be recommended to continue funding the installation of smoke alarms.

- 2.3 The other report before the Committee detailed the recent changes to the management of Community Safety Advocates within Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service. It was resolved that the report be noted.

## 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. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications arising directly 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 and the business undertaken by Community Safety Committee.

#### **10. 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> David Horton	Date of Assessment July 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>	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	<i>NEGATIVE IMPACT</i>	<i>POSITIVE IMPACT</i>
Race		<b>X</b>		
Gender		<b>X</b>		
Disability		<b>X</b>		
Religion or Belief		<b>X</b>		
Sexuality		<b>X</b>		
Age		<b>X</b>		

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

**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)... ..David Horton .....

Date ...July 2008 .....

## APPENDIX B



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

#### COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

#### **MINUTES**

of the meeting held on **11 JULY 2008** at the Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge, Arnold, Nottingham, from 10.00 am to 10.53 am.

#### **Membership**

Councillor S Fielding (Chair)  
Councillor B Grocock  
Councillor J Hemsall  
Councillor P Henshaw  
Councillor P Owen

#### **1 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interests were made.

#### **2 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 15 April 2008, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

#### **3 EVALUATION OF HOME SAFETY CHECK ACTIVITY AND PROCESS – VALUE AND BENEFIT**

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

#### **RESOLVED**

**(1) that the report be noted;**

(2) that the full Fire and Rescue Authority be recommended to continue funding the installation of smoke alarms.

4 **MANAGEMENT OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVOCATES**

**RESOLVED** that a report of the Chief Fire Officer, regarding changes made to the line management arrangements in respect of Community Safety Advocates, copies of which had been circulated, be noted.