



**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:** 18 December 2009

**Purpose of Report:**

To report to Members on the business and actions of the Community Safety Committee meeting of Friday 16 October 2009.

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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 October 2009 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 outlining the work of the Service in relation to road traffic collision awareness activities, and Members were updated on a new resource, 'Danger Zone', which conveys messages such as the importance of wearing a seatbelt, the ways the students could influence their own safety while travelling as a passenger in a dangerously driven car and recognising the consequences of pedestrians and drivers being distracted by mobile phones and iPods. It was resolved that the report be noted and the continued work of Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service in delivering, through the partnership, road traffic collision awareness activities be supported; also that consideration be given by the Fire and Rescue Service as to whether to raise with the partnership the possible introduction of 20mph zones in certain key residential areas, such as near schools. It was additionally agreed that as Members were not aware of targets for road traffic accidents, all Members of the Fire Authority be provided with a report outlining targets and outcomes including figures for the City and County and a breakdown between accidents involving motor cycles etc., and finally that a copy of the booklet 'Saving Student Ryan' be circulated to all members of the Fire Authority as this covered the work undertaken with the County Council on education establishments.
- 2.3 A further report presented to the Committee updated Members on the pilot of the joint services city cadet scheme and prepared them to receive a presentation from the young people who participated in the pilot fire service module. It was resolved that the report be noted and the findings of the research undertaken by the students involved in the Uniformed Public Services Course at Castle College be received at the close of the meeting; and also that with regard to those partners who had not been able to meet their commitment towards the City Cadet Scheme, further discussions be held to ensure that they were able to become involved again as soon as possible.
- 2.4 The child safety education activity, 'Safety Zone', was the subject of another report presented to the Committee. Members were updated that Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service were working with the Child Safety

Education Coalition, RoSPA, and the LASER (Learning About Safety by Experiencing Risk) Co-ordinator, to explore the opportunity of obtaining accreditation for the scheme at the new Holme Pierrepont site. It was agreed that the report be noted and the Fire and Rescue Service continue to be supported in its delivery within the Safety Zone programme; that progress reports be submitted to future meetings; and that in order to resolve the capacity issue in the north of the county a larger venue be sought for the presentation of Safety Zone, possibly Walesby Scout Camp.

- 2.5 The final report for consideration outlined arrangements for fire investigation currently in place in Nottinghamshire and their effectiveness, and it was resolved that the report be noted and the presentation on a specific fire investigation in Nottingham involving a dog and handler be received at the close of the meeting.

### **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 and the business undertaken by Community Safety Committee.

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

None.

Councillor John Hemsall  
**CHAIR OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

FOR NOTE



**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM  
FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY  
COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

of meeting held on **16 OCTOBER 2009** at the Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge, from 10.00 am to 10.40 am.

**Membership**

^ Councillor J Hempsall (Chair)  
Councillor B Cooper  
Councillor S Fielding  
Councillor B Grocock  
Councillor K Longdon

Members absent are marked ^

**7 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Cooper.

**8 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interests were made.

**9 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the last meeting held on 17 July 2009, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

**10 ROAD TRAFFIC COLLISION AWARENESS ACTIVITIES**

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, informing the Committee of the work being undertaken by the Service in relation to road traffic awareness activities. Assistant Chief Fire Officer, David Horton, explained to members the new resource 'Danger Zone' which enabled year 10 students to hear from serving firefighters who dealt with real life traffic collisions; the main messages of the resource were the importance of wearing a seatbelt, the ways they could influence their own safety while travelling as a passenger in a dangerously driven car and recognising the consequences of pedestrians and drivers being distracted by mobile phones and ipods.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted and the continued work of Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service in delivering, through Nottinghamshire Strategic Road Safety Partnership, road traffic collision awareness activities be supported;**
- (2) that consideration be given by the Fire and Rescue Service as to whether to raise with the Partnership the possible introduction of 20mph zones in certain key residential areas, such as near schools;**
- (3) that, as members were not aware of targets for road traffic accidents, all members of the Fire Authority be provided with a report outlining targets and outcomes, including figures for the City and County and a breakdown between accidents involving motor cycles etc.;**
- (4) that a copy of the booklet 'Saving Student Ryan' be circulated to all members of the Fire Authority as this covered the work undertaken with the County Council on education establishments.**

#### **11 CADET SCHEME PILOT**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, updating members on the pilot of the joint services city cadet scheme.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted and the findings of the research undertaken by the students involved in the Uniformed Public Services Course at Castle College be received at the close of the meeting;**
- (2) that, with regard to those partners who had not been able to meet their commitment towards the City Cadet Scheme, further discussions be held to ensure that they were able to become involved again as soon as possible.**

#### **12 SAFETY ZONE**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, updating members on the child safety education activity Safety

Zone. The Head of Community Safety, Mary McEvoy, reported that they were working with the Child Safety Education Coalition and RoSPA, LASER (Learning About Safety by Experiencing Risk) Co-ordinator to explore the opportunity of obtaining accreditation for the scheme at the new Holme Pierrepont site,

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the report be noted and the Fire and Rescue Service continue to be supported in its delivery within the Safety Zone programme;**
- (2) that progress reports be submitted to future meetings;**
- (3) that, in order to resolve the capacity issue in the north of the County, a larger venue be sought for the presentation of Safety Zone, possibly Walesby Scout Camp.**

**13 FIRE INVESTIGATION**

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, informing members of the arrangements for fire investigation currently in place in Nottinghamshire and their effectiveness.

**RESOLVED that the report be noted and the presentation on a specific fire investigation in Nottingham involving a dog and handler (Dave Coss) be received at the close of the meeting.**