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| | COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE | |
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REPORT OF THE CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

KEY OBJECTIVES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To present Committee Members with a range of key objectives, including those drawn from the Community Safety Plan, for consideration. From that work it is proposed that the Committee will agree priorities for action and a means to determine Community Safety Committee business planning objectives and processes.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 The Committee has been established within the revised Governance arrangements to deal with Authority-level responsibilities for community safety issues. Terms of Reference have already been approved by the Authority and noted elsewhere in this agenda.

2.2 There are a number of national (ODPM), regional (RMB) and local priorities to be addressed by the Committee. Some of these priorities have performance targets associated with them.

3. REPORT

3.1 The Authority has a number of key objectives as part of its responsibility as an employing authority. The Community Safety Committee will be acting under the delegated authority of the Combined Fire Authority in consideration of matters relating to its employees.

3.2 There are a number of key areas of delivery linked to the Community Safety Plan which the Committee will incorporate into its business. The following list is not in a priority order :

- Assessment of current protective and preventative measures ;
- Local Area Agreements and delivery of objectives ;
- Best Value Performance Indicators ;
- Avoidable Injury ;
- Arson Reduction ;
- Legislative Fire Safety and the Regulatory Reform Order
- Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships ;
- Operational Assurance ;
- Workforce Development.

3.3 It will be necessary to consider the relationship at Member level and the work of the Regional Management Board in terms of the collaborative work being pushed forward which enhances the Committee's work. Reports will be submitted to outline these enhancements.

3.4 Beyond the Community Safety Plan, the Committee will examine relevant progress under the modernisation agenda and the Government's stated expectations within the Framework document for change.

3.5 Internally, the revised working arrangements and expectations within the Service will enhance and broaden efforts to maintain Community Safety. These arrangements will underpin progress.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no immediate financial implications arising from this report.

5. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

There are no personnel implications arising from this report.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A full equality impact assessment has not been undertaken with regard to this report.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no internal risk management implications arising from this report.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that :

8.1 A Community Safety Committee Business Plan is produced, detailing objectives based on the delivery areas in Section 3 above ;

8.2 This report is forwarded to the Policy and Strategy Committee and presented to the Authority with the Business Plan.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR INSPECTION

- Community Safety Plan 2006-2009 ;
- Report to Fire Authority : 24 February 2006 – Implementation of Revised Governance Structures ;
- Report to Fire Authority : 21 October 2005 – Governance.

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