



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

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of the meeting of the held on **19 OCTOBER 2007** at The Council House, Old Market Square, Nottingham 10.00 am to 10.42 am.

Membership

Councillor S Fielding (Chair)

Councillor B Grocock

Councillor J Hemsall

Councillor P Henshaw

^ Councillor P Owen

Members absent are marked ^

12 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Owen.

13 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 20 July 2007, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

14 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

15 RISKWATCH UPDATE

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

During discussion members suggested that an evaluation of the scheme to identify effectiveness, outcomes and benefit to schools, as well as value for money, should be undertaken.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the Chief Fire Officer be requested to include, as an appendix to future progress reports to this Committee, a list of scheduled dates for schools participating in the Riskwatch Programme;**
- (2) that the Chief Fire Officer be requested to commission an analysis of the evaluation and feedback received relating to the Riskwatch Programme and report the findings to this Committee;**
- (3) that the report be noted.**

16 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIPS

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

Prior to discussion of this item the Assistant Chief Fire Officer highlighted an error in paragraph 2 of the report, which had stated that there had been no overarching strategic body reviewing the issue of Road Safety in Nottinghamshire. He acknowledged that there had been a great deal of work undertaken by the City Council and other organisations and apologised for any misunderstanding.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the report be noted;**
- (2) that the Chief Fire Officer - Risk Reduction be requested to submit progress reports on Road Safety Partnerships to future meetings of this Committee.**

17 WEEKS OF ACTION

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

During discussion members welcomed the activities undertaken during the Weeks of Action and requested that additional information relating to arson reduction programmes and the number of vehicles seized and removed, be submitted to the next meeting of this Committee. It was also suggested that the impact of those schemes on reducing fire incidences should be explored and publicised more widely.

RESOLVED that the activities undertaken by the Fire Authority during Weeks of Action be supported and the report be noted.

18 EVALUATION OF COMMUNITY SAFETY INITIATIVES

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

Members suggested that more could be done to publicise the good work undertaken by the Fire and Rescue Service and promote events and activities such as the Riskwatch Programme.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the Chief Fire Officer be requested to submit Community Safety Initiative monitoring reports to a future meeting of this Committee;**
- (2) that the report be noted.**

19 INFORMATION FOR MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which were circulated. An updated draft copy of the Members Information Bulletin for Bassetlaw was circulated at the meeting.

Following discussion it was suggested that:-

- data be analysed at ward level and to identify areas with the highest level of anti-social activity;
- data be provided for Councillor Grocock for the Bestwood and Top Valley areas;
- bulletins should also reflect positive activities such as the Weeks of Action which had taken place in those areas.

RECOMMENDED

- (1) that account be taken of the additional information requested by members;**
- (2) that the production of Information sheets for Authority members be supported;**
- (3) that the report be noted.**