

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND CITY OF NOTTINGHAM FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on <u>27 JULY 2012</u> at Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bestwood Lodge, from 11.30 am to 11.58 am.

<u>Membership</u>

	Councillor Fielding	(Chair)
^	Councillor Grocock	
	Councillor Hempsall	
	Councillor Yates	
	Councillor Zadrozny	(minute items 4 -7 inclusive)
	Councillor Smith	(as substitute for Councillor Grocock)

Members absent are marked ^

1 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Grocock.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interest were made.

3 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 13 April 2012, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

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4 <u>COMMUNITY SAFETY DELIVERY</u>

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated. The report was introduced by John Buckley, Deputy Chief Fire Officer, who reminded the meeting that at the full Fire Authority meeting on 25 May, approval was given to change the organisational establishment to assist with the implementation of the Fire Cover Review and contribute towards the cost reduction activities ongoing within the Service. The restructure of the Service had led to the formation of two distinct operating arms, Service Delivery and Corporate Support. This reorganisation necessitated the Community Safety Department being attuned partially to Service Delivery, through the delivery teams, with Corporate Support taking the development and the support facets.

The structure of the Service Delivery teams matched the needs of the District it supported and contained a mix of uniformed and non uniformed staff. The teams were based in the Service's geographic districts.

To compliment Service Delivery's community safety, the Corporate Support team would, through the Partnership and Engagement Team and Information Team, provide the corporate initiatives, analysis and development which would allow the District Teams to focus and concentrate on delivery.

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted and the capability and capacity of the newly developed Community Safety delivery be recognised.

5 <u>SAFETY ZONE</u>

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated, updating members regarding the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) award for Safety Zone. John Buckley, Deputy Chief Fire Officer, introduced the report advising the meeting that Safety Zone was a twice yearly outdoor safety education initiative that taught children how to keep themselves, their families and friends safe by making the right decisions when exposed to risk. The multi-agency event focused on topics such as the dangers of playing near sub-stations, how to avoid hazards on or near water, safe behaviour when using public transport and the impact of making hoax 999 calls.

Through engagement with RoSPA it was identified that Safety Zone was able to seek formal accreditation through LASER Alliance (Learning About Safety by Experiencing Risk). This accreditation was received on 5 July 2012.

The next Safety Zone events were due to take place at Holme Pierrepont from 17-28 September 2012 and members were invited to attend to observe the learning experience.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the LASER accreditation award be acknowledged and the support for Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service leadership and engagement in Safety Zone be continued;
- (2) that the Chief Fire Officer extend an invitation to all members of the Combined Fire Authority to attend the forthcoming Safety Zone events.

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6 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the remaining items in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the basis that, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

7 NEW RISKS PROGRAMME CAPABILITY

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Fire Officer, copies of which had been circulated updating members on the national new threats capability within the Service.

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted and the declaration of the New Threats capability be acknowledged.