COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CORPORATE PLANNING COMMITTEE

(Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority)

5 October 2012

Present:-

Councillors Leaves (Chair), Mrs. Bakewell MBE, Brooksbank, Eastman, Foggin, Fry and Healey.

Also in attendance:-

Councillors Burridge-Clayton, Knight and Yeomans

*CSCPC/12. Minutes

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2012 be signed as a correct record.

*CSCPC/13. Declarations of Interest

Members were asked to declare any **disclosable pecuniary interests** they had in items as set out on the agenda for this meeting and to declare any such interests at this time.

No such interests were declared.

CSCPC/14. Establishment of a Charitable Arm

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Service Support (CSCPC/12/3) on a proposal to establish a charitable arm and employ, initially on a twelve-month fixed term contract, a dedicated fund-raising officer. The aim of this initiative was to access funding streams otherwise unavailable to the Service to support community safety initiatives. The initiative was fully in-keeping with the wider localism and community empowerment agenda and similar ventures undertaken in Merseyside and Wales had proven highly effective.

RESOLVED that the Fire & Rescue Authority be recommended to approve:

- (a) the establishment of a charitable arm for the purpose of securing funding to deliver community safety initiatives for and with communities in Devon and Somerset: and
- (b) the employment of a fundraising officer on the basis as set out in section 7 of report CSCPC/12/3.

*CSCPC/15. DSFRS Position in Relation to the National Fire Kills Campaign Annual Report 2011/12

The Committee received for information a report of the Director of Service Support (CSCPC/12/4) identifying notable safety activity undertaken by the Devon Fire & Rescue Service during 2011/12. This activity was in part aligned to but also went beyond that delivered as part of the national Fire Kills Campaign, for which the 2011/12 Annual Report had recently been published.

The Service activities, being data led and target driven, were aligned specifically to risks within Devon and Somerset unlike the national Fire Kills Campaign which nonetheless provided a useful method to deliver, at no cost to the Service, fire safety information using a wide range of popular media

* DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT

The meeting started at 10.00hours and finished at 10.26hours