

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CORPORATE PLANNING COMMITTEE

(Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority)

14 January 2009

Present:-

Councillors Fry (Chair), Dyke, Foggin, Manning and Tully

Apologies:-

Councillors S. Hughes and Leaves

***CSCPC/22. Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2008 be signed as a correct record.

***CSCPC/23. Declarations of Interest**

Members of the Committee were invited to consider whether they had any **personal/personal and prejudicial interests** 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/24. Community Safety Proactive Measures**

The Committee considered a report of the Assistant Chief Fire Officer (Community Safety) (CSCPC/09/1) that proposed improvements to service delivery in respect of its prevention activities and specifically, to be able to identify groups in the community that are more at risk and to target resources accordingly. The proposal would:

- improve the ability of the service to access and analyse risk information in order to prioritise those wards with the greatest predominance of high risk groups and;
- develop a delivery strategy, building on the excellent work undertaken by Community Safety Action Teams (CSATs), expanding this work with the utilisation of community fire safety advocates.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the Committee endorsed the proposals within this report to enable the initiation of a project to develop the delivery options set out in paragraph 3 within 2009/10.
- (b) That the Committee endorsed the proposal to undertake work to improve the targeting of those considered to be at highest risk from fire.
- (c) Subject to (a) and (b) above, to note the content of this report.

***CSCPC/25. Partnership Governance Framework and Toolkit**

The Committee received for information a report of the Assistant Chief Fire Officer (Community Safety) (CSCPC/09/2) that set out a proposal for the introduction of a Partnership Governance Framework and Toolkit for Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service. It was intended that the framework would provide a means of administering, governing and reviewing the performance of all formal partnerships in which both the Service and Authority had an involvement.

***CSCPC/26. Update of Projects Relating to Retained Duty Systems**

The Committee received for information a report of the Assistant Chief Fire Officer (Community Safety) (CSCPC/09/3) that set out the planned and proposed projects to be undertaken including:

- the development of new Retained Duty Systems (RDS working arrangements);
- the procurement of availability monitoring systems and electronic payroll.

There were various projects in development and these included the introduction of a forum to improve communications with retained staff, a review of the recruitment process and the development of a strategy to improve liaison with the primary employers of retained staff. It was envisaged that retained staff would be involved in the project teams that would be set up to develop both these and associated projects

***CSCPC/27. New Operational Risk Information System (ORIS)**

The Committee received for information a report of the Assistant Chief Fire Officer (Operations) (CSCPC/09/4) that detailed the proposal to review and revise current arrangements in terms of the gathering and provision of risk information into a new, harmonised system to be known as the Operational Risk Information System (ORIS).

***CSCPC/28. Target Setting for Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority Corporate Plan 2009/10 to 2011/12**

The Committee considered a joint report of the Assistant Chief Fire Officers (Operations and Community Safety) and Head of Service Planning and Review (CSCPC/09/5) which set out the recommendations for targets under Goal 1 of the Corporate Plan “to proactively reduce risk, to save life, protect property and the environment from fire and other emergencies” and Goal 3, “to provide an efficient, effective and economic service”. In addition, a presentation was given by the Head of Service Planning and Review to support the recommended targets.

RESOLVED

- (a) That the following targets for Goal 1 be included in the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority Corporate Plan 2009/10 to 2011/12:
- (i) Deaths in Accidental Dwelling Fires – to reduce deaths in accidental dwelling fires by 20% averaged over the eleven years to 31 March 2010;
 - (ii) Casualties in accidental dwelling fires per 100,000 population – to reduce casualties at accidental dwelling fires to meet the regional average of 5.5 casualties by 2010/11;
 - (iii) Accidental Dwelling Fires per 10,000 dwellings – to reduce accidental dwelling fires by 5% (based on 2008/09 levels) each year up to 2011/12;
 - (iv) Fires in non-domestic premises per 1000 non-domestic premises – to reduce fires at non-domestic premises by 3% (based on 2008/09 levels) each year up to 2011/12;
 - (v) Deliberate Primary Fires (excluding vehicles) per 10,000 population – to reduce deliberate primary fires excluding vehicles by 3% (based on 2008/09 levels) year on year;
 - (vi) Deliberate primary fires in vehicles per 10,000 population – to reduce deliberate primary fires in vehicles by 3% (based on 2008/09 levels) year on year;
 - (vii) Deliberate secondary fires (excluding vehicles) per 10,000 population – to reduce the number of deliberate secondary fires by 5% averaged over the three years to 31 March 2011 compared to the 3 years to March 2008;
 - (viii) Deliberate secondary fires in vehicles per 10,000 population – to reduce the number of secondary vehicle fires by 5% averaged over the three years to 31 March 2011 compared to the 3 years to March 2008;
 - (ix) Primary fires per 10,000 population - to reduce primary fires by 3% (based on 2008/09 levels) year on year;
- (b) That the following targets for Goal 3 be included in the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority Corporate Plan 2009/10 to 2011/12:
- (i) False alarms caused by automatic fire detection equipment – to re-set the target to a 5% reduction based on 2008/09 levels each year for the next 3 years;
 - (ii) Malicious false alarms per 1,000 population – to continue the existing target of reducing both malicious false alarms not attended and those attended by 1% each year for the next 3 years.

- (c) That, with the inclusion of the targets set out above, the Draft Corporate Plan for 2009/10 to 2011/12 be submitted to the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority on 16 February 2009 for final approval.

*** DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The meeting started at 14.00hours and concluded at 15.55 hours.