

COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL
OF THE
MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

22ND MARCH 2012

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors: Ted Grannell (Chair), Robbie Ayres, Terry Jones, Andrew Blackburn and Tony Newman (alternate for Violet Bebb)

ALSO PRESENT: Councillors: Dave Hanratty, Linda Maloney, Sharon Sullivan, Denise Roberts and Lesley Rennie.

Also Present: Independent Members Carol Roberts and Linda Phillips

Apologies for absence were received from:
Councillors Violet Bebb

1. Preliminary Matters

The Authority considered if there were any declarations of interest, matters of urgency or items that may require the exclusion of the press and public due to the disclosure of exempt information.

(a) The following declarations of interest were made by Members in relation to items of business:

- Councillor Lesley Rennie and Tony Newman declared a personal interest in relation to Agenda Item 4 – Home Fire Safety Delivery Strategy, due to being Trustees of the Fire Support Network.

(b) there were no additional items determined as a matter of urgency.

(c) there were no items of business on the agenda which required the exclusion of the press and public due to the disclosure of exempt information.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Panel held on 19th January 2012 were approved by the Panel and signed accordingly by the Chair

3. Unwanted Fire Signals
(CFO/046/12)

Members considered Report CFO/046/12 and associated Equality Impact Assessment, of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the implementation of a new policy on Unwanted Fire Signals.

Members resolved that:

- (a) The proposed Delivery Plan, be approved.
- (b) The proposed “Go Live” date of 1st October 2012, be agreed.
- (c) Regular reports be brought back to Members, to enable them to scrutinise progress in relation to the Delivery Plan.

4. Home Fire Safety Delivery Strategy 2012
(CFO/045/12)

Members considered Report CFO/045/12 and associated Equality Impact Assessment of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning a strategic review of Home Fire Safety delivery.

Member resolved that:

- (a) The content of the report be noted.
- (b) The report be referred to the next meeting of the full Authority, recommending that:
 - (i) they approve the implementation of a Project Board, to lead on the strategic review of Home Fire Safety delivery and to report as appropriate on alternative sustainable delivery solutions.
 - (ii) Member scrutiny be discharged through quarterly updates to the Community Safety Scrutiny Panel

Close

Date of the Next Meeting: T.B.C following the AGM.