



Minutes

Community Safety Committee

Date: 23 July 2021

Time: 10.30 am

Venue: Fire and Rescue Headquarters, Birkenshaw

Present: Councillor M Pervaiz (in the chair), C Burke, P Harrand, D Kirton, M Midgley, D O'Donovan (as substitute for Councillor Almas), M Pollard, S Press, I Sanders and S Tulley (as substitute for Councillor Renshaw)

In Attendance: Councillor S Nazir (by remote COVID measures in observer capacity only)

Apologies: Councillors S Nazir, K Renshaw and G Almas

1 Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the last meeting held on 30 April 2021 be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

2 Matters arising

None.

3 Urgent items

None.

4 Admission of the public

There were no items which required the exclusion of the public and press.

5 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest made in any matter under consideration at the meeting.

6 Performance management information – outcome targets 2020 - 21

Members received a report of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer and Director of Service Delivery which advised of performance against the 2020 – 21 performance outcome targets. A copy of the same information as at 22 July 2021 was circulated for Members' comparison and information.

It was reported that there had been a slight increase in overall activity compared with the previous year due to the changes made to the mobilisation procedures during the pandemic but that targets had still been met.

Members raised and received clarification on the following specific issues;

- Number of false alarms in Calderdale – work being done in relation to reducing these in the market hall
- Reporting procedures for blocked gulleys and drains in relation to surface water flooding – crews took photographs of areas of concern and submitted these to the relevant Council / body for action
- New practices introduced as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic – with regard to 'Safe and Well' visits some of the low risk premises would continue to receive a telephone call from staff in prevention rather than receiving a visit to the premise in question thereby increasing resource efficiency
- Ongoing mental health support for employees – this work continued
- Anti-social behaviour

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

7 Service Delivery “Spotlight on” case studies

Members considered a report of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer and Director of Service Delivery which provided examples and updates on the following areas of work which were being undertaken to meet the needs of the communities of West Yorkshire in the delivery of prevention, protection and response activity and particularly in the light of the current COVID19 pandemic;

- Ilkley Moor #bemooraware campaign
- Calderdale school transition packs
- Modern Slavery partnership – use of Kirklees community rooms
- Water Safety – Leeds district
- COVID19 – the journey continues (Wakefield district)
- Digital firesetter interventions

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

8 District Plans 2021 – 22

The Deputy Chief Fire Officer and Director of Service Delivery submitted a report which presented the final District Plans for 2021 – 22.

Members were advised that these had been approved at the 30 April meeting of this Committee but had been updated with the previously unavailable year ending performance indicators.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

9 West Yorkshire Prepared – annual report

Consideration was given to a report of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer and Director of Service Delivery which provided an overview of the range of activity undertaken by the West Yorkshire Local Resilience Forum over the previous 12-month period.

RESOLVED

That the report be noted.

Chair