

WEST MIDLANDS FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

23 JULY 2012

1. **MEMBER TRAINING**

Report of the Clerk and Monitoring Officer

RECOMMENDED that the Committee considers its training needs in respect of carrying out the scrutiny function.

2 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To ask members to consider their training needs in taking on the scrutiny function.

3 **BACKGROUND**

3.1 A questionnaire has been sent out to members of the Committee asking them to indicate their existing skills and knowledge of the scrutiny process. The results of the questionnaire will be outlined at your meeting.

3.2 The Committee may wish to consider commissioning an urgent in-house training session with an external/independent facilitator on the principles of scrutiny.

4. **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

In preparing this report, an initial Equality Impact Assessment is not required and has not been carried out, as the matters contained in this report will not lead to and do not relate to a policy change. Members will need to be aware of equality and diversity policies and practices and take these matters into account in carrying out the scrutiny function.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

6. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are resources available within the existing budget for member training and development.

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CLERK AND MONITORING OFFICER