

Minutes of the Scrutiny Committee

10th June, 2013, at 1.00 pm
at Fire Service Headquarters, Vauxhall Road, Birmingham

Present: Councillor Chambers (Chair);
Councillor Spence (Vice-Chair);
Councillors Delaney, Eustace, Hogarth, Tranter,
Wright and Young.

Observer: Councillor Shackleton.

15/13 **Minutes**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 28th May, 2013, be confirmed as a correct record.

16/13 **Review of Public Consultation Process**

The Committee considered a draft scoping document for the proposed review of the Public Consultation process for the Community Safety Strategy.

The scoping document outlined the rationale, aims, objectives and methodology of the proposed review and the support that would be provided to the Working Group set up to review the Public Consultation Process for the Community Safety Strategy.

The Committee discussed various methods of encouraging public consultation by having stalls at open days and by inviting ward members to events.

The Deputy Chief Fire Officer made reference to software being used by the West Midlands Ambulance Service that looked at population areas. The Working Group could view the software as part of its evidence gathering.

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The Committee also felt that a timetable of fire service events across the West Midlands should be circulated to members so that members made themselves present to promote the Fire Service.

The Working Group would next meet on 24 June 2013 at 12.15 pm.

Resolved:-

- (1) that a review of the Public Consultation process for the Community Safety Strategy, as set out in the scoping document, be approved;
- (2) that the next meeting of the Public Consultation Process Working Group, comprising of Councillors Chambers, Hogarth, Spence, Tranter and Wright, be held on Monday 24th June, 2013 at 12.15 pm.

(Meeting ended at 1.16 pm)

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