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# Agenda

## CRIME & DISORDER JOINT SCRUTINY REVIEW

**Date:** Tuesday 24 August 2010

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Venue:** Mezzanine Room 3, County Hall, Aylesbury

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- 1 WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN
- 2 APOLOGIES / CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP
- 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3 AUGUST 2010 TO 1 8
  BE AGREED
- 5 RESULTS OF THE SAFER AND STRONGER BOARD 9 12
  QUESTIONNAIRE

#### Context:

Part of the remit of the review is to ensure that the Safer and Stronger Bucks Partnership Board is discharging its crime and disorder functions. In May 2010, members received a briefing from Susie Yapp — Acting Head of Service for Localities and Safer Communities, who explained the structure of the Board, its role and the key partnership priorities it is working towards.

Members agreed that the briefing would be followed up by the use of a questionnaire for Board members, based on one originally used by Bracknell Forest Borough Council. The results of the questionnaires have been compiled into one document which is attached to the agenda.

#### Purpose:

For members to consider the results with a view to highlighting any gaps or concerns they want to see taken forward into the final report.





#### Papers:

Questionnaire summary.

#### 6 INTERIM REPORT: KEY AREAS AND DRAFT FINDINGS

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#### Context:

The review is now at the stage where members need to reflect on all the evidence that has been heard and agree on what they consider the main findings to be. The agreed areas will form the basis of the review report.

#### Purpose:

Members are asked to consider the key areas and findings contained in the interim report attached and advise if these are the correct ones or if they feel, based on the evidence heard, that others should be included. The Chairman will also be asking members to consider what action they would like to see taken in the form of recommendations relating to these.

#### Papers:

Interim report: Key areas and draft findings

# 7 DISCUSSION : THE BIG SOCIETY Context:

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At the last meeting of the Task and Finish Group, an article by Sara Thornton – Chief Constable of Thames Valley Police was circulated. The article asks if the thinking behind the new Government's plans for a 'Big Society', where volunteering is encouraged and more power is devolved to local people, could help keep people safe. Members asked for the article to be added to the agenda for discussion.

#### Purpose:

Members are asked to consider the content of the article and discuss if any of the ideas it contains should be reflected in the final report.

#### Papers:

Article taken from The Daily Telegraph, 30 July 2010

#### 8 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 13 September 2010, 10.00am – 1.00pm, South Bucks District Council – venue to be confirmed

The next meeting will be for members to finalise the draft report resulting from the review, and to agree reporting arrangements.

If you would like to attend a meeting, but need extra help to do so, for example because of a disability, please contact us as early as possible, so that we can try to put the right support in place.

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