AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

| Name of Committee | Crime and Safety Overview and Scrutiny | |
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| Date of Committee | 19 th July 2005 | |
| Report Title | Minutes of the Regional Management Board (RMB) Meeting 10 th June 2005 | |
| Summary | This report presents the minutes of the RMB meeting held on the 10 th June 2005. | |
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| Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? | No. | |
| Background papers | None | |
| Appendices: | Appendix 1: Minutes of the Regional Management Board meeting held on 10 th June 2005 | |
| | Appendix 2: West Midlands Regional Fire and Rescue Services Joint Procurement Strategy | |

| CONSULTATION ALREADY U | RTAKEN:- Details to be specified | |
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| Other Committees | | |
| Local Member(s) | | |
| Other Elected Members | x | Cllr John Haynes, Cllr Dave Shilton |
| Cabinet Member | x | Cllr Richard Hobbs |
| Chief Executive | | |
| Legal | x | Greta Needham |



| Finance | x | Chris Juckes |
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| Other Chief Officers | | |
| District Councils | | |
| Health Authority | | |
| Police | | |
| Other Bodies/Individuals | | |

| FINAL DECISION: | For Information |
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SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:

| Further consideration by this Committee | |
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| To Council | |
| To Cabinet | |
| To an O & S Committee | |
| To an Area Committee | |
| Further Consultation | |

Details to be specified



Crime and Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee

19th July 2005

Minutes of the Regional Management Board (RMB) Meeting 10th June 2005

Report of the County Fire Officer

Recommendation

That Members note the report and the contents of the minutes of the Regional Management Board (RMB) Meeting held on 10th June 2005.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 At previous meetings it was agreed that the minutes of the RMB meetings would be brought to the Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee for information and discussion as appropriate.
- 1.2 This arrangement does not preclude additional papers being brought to the Committee on specific items or issues as they arise. This would be particularly relevant to the outcomes of the projects being delivered by the RMB Programme Board
- 1.3 Councillors Hobbs, Haynes and Shilton attend these meetings as representatives of Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Authority. In addition the County Fire Officer attends as their advisor.

2.0 Meeting held on 10th June 2005

2.1 Attached to this report, as Appendix 1, are the minutes from the meeting held on 10th June 2005. Also attached as Appendix 2 are the West Midlands Regional Fire and Rescue Services Joint Procurement Strategy referred to in the minutes. The main points to note from these minutes are:



- 2.1.1 A draft Regional Procurement Strategy has been agreed by the RMB. The strategy identifies many areas at both national and regional level in which the West Midlands brigades will work together. The draft strategy sets out a framework that will enable this to happen.
- 2.1.2 For 2005/06 Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Authority will contribute £50,000 towards the cost of the programme office. In addition, the final outturn report indicated an under spend of £101,290. The County Treasurer has agreed to Warwickshire's element of this sum to be carried forward into 2005/06. The budget has also been augmented by funds made available to the Regional Control Room Project from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister under the 'New Burdens' arrangements. Further bids under these arrangements are planned.
- 2.1.3 RMB Modernisation Programme Review 2004/05 has resulted in changes to the programme structure. The 23 projects identified previously have now been rationalised into 8 themed projects. It is felt that this arrangement will enable the RMB to realise the tangible benefits that collaborative working of this nature can provide. Within the project structure, member involvement will be maintained through the Senior Responsible Owner's role.

3.0 Meeting Schedule

3.1 These are a further two meetings of the RMB scheduled for 2005. Those meetings will be reported to the Committee as follows:

| RMB Meeting | Community Safety Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting |
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| 26 th July 2005 | 13 th September 2005 |
| 28 th October 2005 | 15 th December 2005 |

3.2 The meeting on 26th July 2005 will be the Annual Meeting of the RMB.

William Brown County Fire Officer

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23rd June 2005

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