

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AUDIT BOARD

15TH SEPTEMBER 2008

CIVIC BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS EVENT - FEEDBACK

Responsible Portfolio Holder	Councillor Roger Hollingworth
Responsible Head of Service	John Godwin

1. SUMMARY

The report relates to feedback resulting from the report presented to this Board on 17th March 2008 and aims to address the issues raised at the meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATION

Members are recommended to note the feedback and responses to the queries raised from the original report.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Members will be aware that the 2007 Bonfire event was organised for the first time as a chargeable event to the public. This presented a number of additional organisational challenges to the officers responsible for delivering a successful event.
- 3.2 The report presented to this Board on 17th March 2008 addressed in detail a number of issues in relation to security, access and probity.
- 3.3 The concerns were discussed in full with additional queries raised during the meeting that are addressed in Appendix A to this report.
- 3.4 In addition there will be a press release nearer November that will inform the public how the Council will look to improve the accessibility and security of income received from the bonfire.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None arising from this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

6. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

Council Objective 2 Improvement and Council Objective 3 Sense of Community and Well Being.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The delivery of the bonfire is included in the risk register for street scene and community to mitigate any risks arising from the provision of the bonfire.

8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

The public will be made aware of the paid ticket system for the annual bonfire event through external communications throughout the year leading up to the event.

9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

The paid ticket system will need to accommodate less abled customers.

10. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

None.

11. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Procurement Issues None
Personnel Implications None
Governance/Performance Management None
Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Community Safety support the improvements to the event
Policy None
Environmental None

12. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	Yes
Chief Executive	No

Executive Director (Partnerships and Projects)	No
Executive Director (Services)	No
Assistant Chief Executive	No
Head of Service	Yes
Head of Financial Services	Yes
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	No
Head of Organisational Development & HR	No
Corporate Procurement Team	No

13. WARDS AFFECTED

All Wards.

14. APPENDICES

Appendix A – feedback to queries.

15. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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