

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **COMMUNITY PROFILE & PARTNERSHIPS**
 OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: **MONDAY, 24 MARCH 2014**

REPORT BY: **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT MANAGER**

SUBJECT: **THE PHOENIX PROJECT**

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.01** To enable the committee to receive a presentation on the Phoenix Project from representatives of the North Wales Fire & Rescue Service.

2.00 BACKGROUND

- 2.01** At the meeting of the committee which was held on 7th November 2013, Cllr Meirick Lloyd Davies, the Chair of the North Wales Fire & Rescue Authority, the Chief Fire Officer, Simon Smith and the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Dawn Docx attended to give a presentation on the Proposed Improvement Objectives for 2014/15 and beyond.
- 2.01** During the ensuing discussions, the Chair of the committee, who is himself a member of the Fire & Rescue Authority, suggested that it would be beneficial for the committee to receive a presentation on the Phoenix Project. This suggestion was agreed.

3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.01** The Fire & Rescue Service will be represented at the meeting by Mr Brian Williams, the Community Safety Team Manager who will give the presentation.
- 3.02** The Phoenix Project is a Fire and Rescue initiative aimed at young people aged 13 - 17.

The project runs five day courses across North Wales designed to assist in redirecting the energy of youngsters towards productive and worthwhile activities that will assist in the integration of the individuals with their peers and their communities.

- 3.03** The principal aim of the project is to invest in young people, utilising the skills, experience and reputation of the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service for the benefit of the community of North Wales.

- 3.04** Reducing fire deaths and injuries in the region is more than just providing an efficient emergency response service - by working with these youngsters we are able to educate them about the importance of fire safety and the consequences of deliberate fires and hoax calls.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.01** That the committee receive and respond to the presentation by Mr Williams on the Phoenix Project

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.01** None

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

- 6.01** None

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- 7.01** None

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

- 8.01** None

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.01** None

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

- 10.01** Not applicable

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

- 11.01** Not applicable.

12.00 APPENDICES

- 12.01** None

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985
BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Minutes of the Community Profile & Partnerships Overview & Scrutiny Committee dated 7th November 2013.

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