

Information on Children's Trust Board Members

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8. Geographical coverage: Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent



9. Summary of services:

In 2004, the Fire and Rescue Service Bill Act was invoked. This new legislation, supported by the Fire and Rescue National Framework, provided the platform on which communities will be afforded a modern, proactive and reformed service. The benefit of an organisational change in strategy, which proactively targets the customer base in community education, has significantly contributed to reducing the number of:

- Fire related deaths
- Fire related injuries
- Incidence of fire
- Number of arson related fires
- Number of hoax calls
- Number of road traffic collisions
- Number of people killed or seriously injured in road traffic collisions

The Service has a legal obligation as a Responsible Authority under Section 17 of the Crime & Disorder Act 1998. To assist in fulfilling this obligation the Service has actively engaged in partnerships such as the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. These partnerships are working to reduce crime and disorder in their area by:

- Establishing the levels of crime and disorder problems in their area, and consulting widely with the population of that area to make sure that the partnership's perception matches that of local people, especially minority groups or members of ethnic minorities.
- Devising a strategy containing measures to tackle those priority problems. This is to include targets and target owners for each of the priority areas.

10. How partner members can tap into the services

Via Central Risk Reduction Services & Area Commands - contacting 0800 0241 999

11. Date: 05.03.10

12. I agree to this being made publicly available.