Title of Report: Safer Select Committee

Report to be considered by:

Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission

Date of Meeting: 14 September 2010

Purpose of Report: To provide an update on the work of the Safer Select

Committee.

Recommended Action: • To note for information

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Executive Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the work undertaken by the Safer Select Committee since the report made at the last OSMC meeting.
- 1.2 The Committee have not met since the last report to the OSMC. Their next meeting will take place on September 20th 2010.

2. Improving Public Confidence

- 2.1 The Safer Select Committee completed their review into Improving Public Confidence in April 2010, producing recommendations that were subsequently submitted to, and approved by, the OSMC.
- 2.2 Having been approved by Corporate Board and Management Board, the final report and recommendations will be submitted to Executive on 2nd September 2010.

3. Installation of Fire Sprinklers

- 3.1 The Committee expect to finalise their recommendations into whether a Council policy should be established in relation to the installation of fire sprinkler systems in Council buildings at their next meeting in September.
- 3.2 Since their last meeting, the Committee have visited two retail sites, the Kennet Centre and Sainsbury's, to view the components of an installed fire sprinkler system, in particular the water storage tanks and pumping facilities required.

4. Crime Statistics

4.1 The Committee will begin a review into West Berkshire crime statistics, in particular how activity to address crime trends is determined and reviewed.

5. Work Programme

5.1 The latest work programme for the Select Committee is contained within Appendix A of item 14 of this agenda.

Appendices

There are no appendices to this report.