



**Responsible Authorities Group (RAG)
21 March 2013**

Report

Subject: Overview and Scrutiny Neighbourhood Action Groups, Review Group Report

Reason for report

The Neighbourhood Action Groups (NAG) Review Group is seeking the strategic support of the Responsible Authorities Group for the Draft NAG Review Report. The Report will be presented to the Cabinet of Milton Keynes Council in April 2013.

The Review Group was established following the meeting of the Community Safety, Crime and Policing Select Committee in July 2012. The Review Group was established to look at the role of NAGs and how they assist with the reduction in crime and anti-social behaviour and to review the structure and effectiveness of NAGs across Milton Keynes.

The Group has heard from a number of witnesses' throughout the process. A workshop was held in November 2012 with a cross section of stakeholders and produced some good evidence for the Review and highlighted some key areas for improvement.

The Review Group presented the draft report to the Select Committee in February 2013 where it was acknowledged that NAGs were excellent forums to engage with the public and should be encouraged. Members acknowledged that the report took into account the need for partnership working across a wide section of stakeholders and welcomed this. The Committee considered that the evidence gathered was good and supports the need for enhancing the level of partnership working, resources permitted and that NAGs, where in place, were working.

Recommendations

That the recommendations be noted by the Responsible Authorities Group.

Attachments

Overview and Scrutiny Neighbourhood Action Group, Review Group Report (Annex).

Date of report

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