

Safer Communities

SCRUTINISING COMMUNITY SAFETY

The implementation of the Police & Justice Act 2006 scrutiny provisions and Call for Action

Monday 15th June 2009

Local Government House, Smith Square, Westminster SW1

The Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009 come into force on the 30th April 2009. On the 1st April 2009, the Councillor "Call for Action" will be implemented under Section 119 of the Local Government and Public Health Act 2007.

The new arrangements create statutory requirements for local government to establish crime and disorder scrutiny committees and reflect central government's objectives to increase visibility and accountability of Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships at local level.

This one-day conference will provide an examination of the changing structure and accountability of CDRPs and the expectations of central government and in relation to community engagement. It will provide Community Safety Managers, Responsible Authority CDRP members, Cabinet members (Portfolio Holders) and Scrutiny members and officers with an in-depth knowledge of the key issues including scrutiny arrangements, the development and implementation of scrutiny programmes and the change in responsibilities of members, officers and CDRP partners.

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Cabinet Members / Portfolio Holders for Community Safety
- Community Safety Managers
- CDRP Members
- Head of Scrutiny and Overview
- Scrutiny Officers
- Members of Scrutiny Committees
- Anti-Social Behaviour Officers

REGISTRATION

Online

You can register for this conference online at www.psstrategies.co.uk

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SPEAKERS INCLUDE

- Cllr Martin Heatley, Warwickshire County Council
Board Member, The Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)
- Kathy Robinson, Head of the Partnership Policy Team
Police and Crime Standards Directorate, The Home Office
- Ed Hammond, Research and Information Manager
The Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)
- Mark Norris, Senior Policy Consultant
Local Government Association (LGA)
- Mike Ahuja, Head of Corporate Scrutiny
London Borough of Enfield
- Kal Benning, Scrutiny Research & Development Co-ordinator
London Borough of Redbridge
- Alan Gunston, Senior Scrutiny Officer
Cumbria County Council
- Jackie Evans, Head of Legal, Democratic and Member Services
South Lakeland District Council

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MORNING PROGRAMME

09.30 **Registration and Refreshments**

10.30 **Chair's Introduction and Welcome**

Cllr Martin Heatley

Warwickshire County Council

Board Member, The Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)

Morning Session 1: The Framework

10.40 **The Police and Justice Act 2006 – Provision for Scrutiny**

Kathy Robinson, Head of Partnership Policy Team,

Police and Crime Standards Directorate, The Home Office

11.05 **The Role of Scrutiny**

Ed Hammond, Research and Information Manager,

The Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)

11.30 **Questions**

11.40 **Refreshment break**

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Morning Session 2: Developing Scrutiny of Community Safety

11.55 **Scrutiny in Action: Scrutinising the Role of CCTV in Community Safety**

Kal Benning, Scrutiny Research & Development Co-ordinator
London Borough of Redbridge

12.20 **Developing a Scrutiny Programme**

Mike Ahuja, Head of Corporate Scrutiny, London Borough of Enfield
Supt Dave Osborn, Metropolitan Police Partnerships Unit

12.45 **Questions**

1.00 **Lunch**

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AFTERNOON PROGRAMME

Afternoon Session 1: The Objectives for Community Safety Scrutiny

- 2.00 **Scrutiny, Good Governance and Accountability**
The Audit Commission – speaker to be confirmed
- 2.25 **Governance and Leadership of CDRPs – The Local Authority View**
Mark Norris, Senior Policy Consultant
Local Government Association (LGA)
- 2.45 **Questions**

Afternoon Session 2: Workshops

- 3.00 **WORKSHOPS**
Delegates may attend one workshop. Conference workshops are shown on the next page.
- 3.50 **Feedback from Workshops**
- 4.00 **Chair's Closing Remarks**
Cllr Martin Heatley
Warwickshire County Council
Board Member, The Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)
- 4.10 **Conference Close**

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Workshops provide a forum to examine an issue in depth. All workshops will provide an expert view followed by discussion of key issues. When booking for this conference, please enter your workshop selection on the booking form.

Workshop A: Co-ordination of Scrutiny in Two-Tier Authorities

Alan Gunston, Senior Scrutiny Officer, Cumbria County Council
& Jackie Evans, Head of Legal, Democratic and Member Services
South Lakeland District Council

Workshop B: The Role of Elected Members and the Call for Action

Workshop leader to be confirmed

**Workshop C: Developing and Implementing a Scrutiny Protocol
for CDRP Partners**

Workshop leader to be confirmed

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND SLIDES

We aim to provide printed copies of all presentation slides or written papers in the delegate's conference pack as well as additional material that might be of interest to the delegate.

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Conference Objectives

- To look in depth at the provisions of the Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009 in force from the 30th April 2009.
- To examine the changing structure and accountability of CDRPs in relation to the new provisions and the Councillors' Call for Action.
- To look at the expectations of central government and the Audit Commission in relation to community engagement, scrutiny and accountability.
- To provide an in-depth knowledge of the key issues in developing community safety scrutiny arrangements and implementing scrutiny programmes.
- To learn from good practice case studies of current community safety scrutiny programmes.

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