

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT **PATROL ANNUAL REPORT AWARD 2009/10**
REPORT OF **THE LEAD OFFICER**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To update the Joint Committee on the PATROL Annual Report Award

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

- [i] Notes the results of the second PATROL Annual Report Award for 2009/10
- [ii] Receives a report on the findings of the Review Group at the Annual Meeting in September.
- [iii] Notes the arrangements for the Award for 2010/11 reports.

FINANCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF THIS REPORT

The PATROL Annual Report Award forms part of the Joint Committee's planned expenditure.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Traffic Management Act 2004 came into force on 31 March 2008 with the expectation that local authorities would produce an annual report in order to increase public awareness and understanding of civil parking enforcement locally. In January 2009, the Joint Committee established the PATROL Annual Report Award in order to promote best practice in this important area of public information.

2. THE PATROL ANNUAL REPORT AWARD 2010/11

- 2.1 A Review Group was established and chaired by Peter Bayless, retired Head of Traffic and Safety at Hampshire County Council. Other members included David Leibling representing the RAC Foundation, Karen Naylor, Parking Manager from Waltham Forest and Colin Eaketts from the Integrated Transport Unit of the Welsh Assembly Government. The Review Group circulated an evaluation framework for the purposes of judging the entries and this was circulated to all council.

Reports were received from the following councils:

County	District	Metropolitan	Unitary	Welsh
Derbyshire County Council	East Devon	Gateshead	Portsmouth City Council	Denbighshire
Gloucestershire	West Lancashire District Council	Sheffield City	Poole	Gwynedd
East Sussex	Fareham	South Tyneside	Brighton and Hove	
	Weymouth and Portland	North Tyneside	Middlesborough	
		Sunderland	Southampton	
		Herefordshire	Torbay	
		Liverpool	Stock-on-Trent	
		Walsall	Nottingham City Council	
		Rochdale	Durham Council	

and the Review Group considered a long list of 15. From this long list, the following entries were shortlisted:

Brighton and Hove City Council
Durham County Council
Gloucestershire County Council
Sheffield City Council
Torbay Council
Weymouth and Portland Borough Council

- 2.2 The Review Group identified the overall winner as Sheffield City Council Council. An award plaque has been presented to the winning council and certificates to shortlisted councils.
- 2.3 The Award has received coverage in the parking press and a report of the Review Group's findings will be presented to the June 2011 Executive Sub Committee Meeting.
- 2.4 Copies of the short listed reports can be found on the PATROL web site.

3. PATROL ANNUAL REPORT AWARD 2010/11

- 3.1 The Review Group was unanimous in their support for this award and has agreed to participate again this year. The evaluation framework will be reviewed in the light of the two year experience of the Award. This will be communicated to councils preparing their reports for 2010/11.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

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