

REPORT FOR RESOLUTION

SUBJECT PATROL ANNUAL REPORT AWARD 2009/10
REPORT OF The Independent Review Group on Annual Reports

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform the Joint Committee of the findings of the Independent Review Group considering reports for 2009/10 and the arrangements for reporting on this award for the period 2008 to 2010.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Joint Committee:

- [i] Notes the findings of the Independent Review Group on local authority annual reports for 2009/10.
- [ii] Approves the circulation of a combined report for 2008/09 and 2009/10 free of charge.

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

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 2009/10

2.1 The Joint Committee's Executive Sub Committee was informed of the results for 2009/10. The shortlist was as follows:

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. The Award has received coverage in the parking press

2.3 Copies of the short listed reports can be found on the PATROL web site.

3. REPORT OF FINDINGS OF THE REVIEW GROUP 2008/10

The findings of the Review Group for 2009/10 are set out in Appendix 1. It is proposed that a combined report for 2008 to 2010 is circulated free of charge.

4. PATROL ANNUAL REPORT AWARD 2010/11

The Review Group was unanimous in their support for this award and has agreed to participate again this year. As reported in June 2011, a revised evaluation framework has been circulated to councils in preparation for 2010/11 annual reports.

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