

**Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Report to Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Board**

**Date: 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

**Subject: Scrutiny Inquiries – draft terms of reference**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**Purpose of this report**

- At its first meeting of the new municipal year, the Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Board agreed to undertake an inquiry into the following areas:
  - The role of Police Community Safety Officers in Leeds within the context of new integrated partnership working models, particularly within localities.
  - Potential area based delegations linked to Community Committees.
- Working group meetings were held in August and September to discuss the potential scope of these inquiries. Terms of reference for both inquiries are being drafted and will be circulated separately (appendix 1 and 2). During today's meeting, Board Members will be asked to formally consider and agree both terms of reference.
- The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules require that, before embarking on an inquiry/review, the Board seeks and considers the views of the relevant Director and Executive Member. These views will need to be taken into account when agreeing the terms of reference for these inquiries.

**Recommendations**

- Members are asked to consider and agree the terms of reference for the forthcoming Scrutiny Board inquiries.

**Background papers<sup>1</sup>**

- None used

<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.