

## Report of the Chief Executive

**JOINT WORKING AGREEMENT WITH NOTTINGHAMSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**1. Purpose of report

To seek approval for Broxtowe Borough Council to be a signatory to a Joint Working Agreement between Nottinghamshire Local Authorities and Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service, and for authorisation to be given to the Chief Executive to sign the Joint Working Agreement on behalf of the Council.

2. Detail

Responsibility for enforcement of fire safety legislation in dwellings is split between the Fire and Rescue Service and district councils, depending on the circumstances. Where the roles are not clearly defined in law, this can lead to confusion, duplication, or premises 'slipping through the net'. For this reason, the Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service and the district councils in the county produced a Joint Working Agreement several years ago to clarify roles. This has been extremely beneficial as a working document. A revised document, taking into account changes in legislation, has now been produced and is attached at the appendix.

**Recommendation**

**The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that:**

- 1. Broxtowe Borough Council be a signatory to the Joint Working Agreement with Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service.**
- 2. The Chief Executive be authorised to sign the Agreement on behalf of Broxtowe Borough Council.**

Background papers

Nil