

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

Meeting to be held on 20th June 2016

SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT ANNUAL REVIEW

(Appendix 1 refers)

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Executive Summary

Attached in full at Appendix 1 is the Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review for Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service (LFRS) covering the period 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

As the body with ultimate responsibility for staff health and safety and environmental compliance it is important that all CFA Members are aware of performance in this respect. The report therefore provides a summary of key actions, overall progress and outturn performance in respect of accidents and near misses, carbon emissions together with a look forward.

Recommendation

The Authority is asked to note the report and associated safety, health and environment performance outcomes.

Information

As the Health and Safety Management System and the Environment Management System continue to be integrated this report is part of that integration process. This report includes performance information for health and safety and the environment.

Business Risk

Significant - From a legal, economic and moral standpoint, a number of health and safety and environmental obligations are imposed on the Authority, whilst the Health and Safety Executive and Environment Agency will readily take enforcement action where significant or recurring failures are identified.

Environmental Impact

The environmental impact from gas use on LFRS premises is continuing to reduce. Due to significant flooding incidents this year, fuel use has increased from fleet vehicles. Electricity use is now showing a steady decrease since the 2013/14 introduction of PFI stations which increased electricity use mainly due to the build specification which utilises air-control systems. An ever increasing reliance of battery powered equipment which requires charging also impacts on electricity use across all fire stations.

Equality and Diversity implications

None

Financial Implications

None

HR Implications

Significant – The Authority is committed to providing a safe and healthy workforce which is particularly important in the context of emergency service operations, and which requires ongoing and effective health and safety management arrangements.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

| Paper | Date | Contact |
|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Annual Health and Safety Report 2009/10 LFRS Sustainability Report 2009/10 | 20 th September 2010 | Director of People and Development Bob Warren Telephone 01772 866804 |
| Annual Health and Safety Report 2010/11 LFRS Sustainability Report 2010/11 | 20 th June 2011 | |
| Annual Health and Safety Report 2011/12 LFRS Sustainability Report 2011/12 | 18 th June 2012 | |
| Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2012/13 | 17 th June 2013 | |
| Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2013/14 | 23 rd June 2014 | |
| Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2014/15 | 22 nd June 2015 | |
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