

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

Meeting to be held 28 June 2021

ANNUAL SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT REPORT 2020/21

(Appendix 1 refers)

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Executive Summary

Attached in full at Appendix 1 is the Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report for Lancashire Fire & Rescue Service (LFRS) covering the period 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021.

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, several 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

Due to the changing climate and types of incidents being attended such as flooding, wildfire and prevention activities this has an impact on utility and energy use. Fuel use this year has started to see a steady decrease again from fleet vehicles. Gas use has increased but still has benefitted from the upgrading of heating systems over the last few years. Electricity remains constant with an ever-increasing demand on battery powered equipment and technology. Since the introduction of PFI stations electricity use increased mainly due to the build specification which utilises air-control systems.

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	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2015/16	20 th June 2016	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2016/17	19 th June 2017	

Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2017/18	18 th June 2018	
Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2018/19	17 th June 2019	
Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2019/20	14 th September 2020	
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