LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held on 15 November 2021

DRAFT COMMUNITY RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN 2022 – 2027 CONSULTATION OUTCOMES

(Appendices 1 - 11 refer (note: for reasons of confidentiality and data protection, appendices 1, 5, 6, and 11 are redacted)

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Table 1Executive Summary and Recommendations

Executive Summary

At the Planning Committee meeting of the Combined Fire Authority on 12 July 2021, Members endorsed the publication of the draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2022 - 27 for consultation over a ten-week period from 14 July 2021 to 21 September 2021.

The consultation plan was created in line with the Service's consultation strategy and following an equality impact assessment of the impact of the draft CRMP on groups likely to be affected. The aim was to consult local communities and stakeholders about the risks in Lancashire to inform how the Service mitigates and responds to them and provide opportunities for stakeholders. Matters consulted on included: whether the plan identifies the greatest risks to the communities and people of Lancashire; identifying any unmet need; measures in place to mitigate and respond to risk; and the plan's overarching aim and priorities.

Running for 10 weeks from 14 July to 21 September 2021, the draft documents were made available on the Service's website with an online survey. Printed copies were made available on request. Identified stakeholders included Service employees; local authorities; emergency services and other public agencies; town and parish councils; third sector partners such as voluntary groups and charities; businesses; representative bodies; landowners; community groups; and members of the public. Communications activity was tailored to target audiences and ranged from writing directly to partner organisations and staff engagement sessions to digital advertising and email marketing. Feedback was accepted via the online survey, by email and in comments on social media platforms.

Overall, the consultation feedback endorsed the draft CRMP, the Service's priorities and our approach to community risks in Lancashire. Full details are contained in the body of this report. In addition, the report details the consultation process requirements and any resulting amendments (attached as appendix 1) which have been included in the proposed final version of the CRMP (attached as appendix 2).

Recommendation(s)

The Planning Committee is requested to:

1. Endorse the consultation process surrounding the draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2022 - 27 as adequate in scale and scope; and

2. Refer final recommendations to the full Combined Fire Authority meeting of 21 February 2022 for approval to publish.

Information

The Fire and Rescue National Framework for England, states that each fire and rescue authority is required to produce a Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP). As part of the CRMP we must, *"reflect effective consultation throughout its development and at all review stages with the community, its workforce and representative bodies and partners"*. (Fire and Rescue National Framework for England 4.6 i)

Within this report, there are several supporting resources (appendices) that explain in detail the approach taken in consulting our communities and the subsequent analysis of that consultation.

Appendix 1 – Changes made to initial draft CRMP following consultation;

Appendix 2 – Final draft of Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) following amendments in response to consultation responses;

Appendix 3 – CRMP consultation distribution analysis;

Appendix 4 - Content of formal email which was distributed to key stakeholders;

Appendix 5 – Examples of internal communication of CRMP consultation to staff

Appendix 6 – Numerical analysis of responses received into the consultation email inbox;

Appendix 7 – Survey Monkey statistical analysis (including charts) of online survey responses;

Appendix 8 – Numerical analysis of daily activity (responses) within Survey Monkey;

Appendix 9 – Statistical and summary analysis of free text responses within Survey Monkey;

Appendix 10 – Formal written response from Lancashire FBU to CRMP consultation; **Appendix 11** – Formal written response from Greater Manchester FRS to CRMP consultation.

Business Risk

Production of the CRMP is a business-critical planning function. LFRS must produce an CRMP in line with National Framework guidance issued by central government.

Environmental Impact

Inevitably there will be a requirement for a printed version of the IRMP (on request) however the approach taken will be 'digital by default' and therefore the environmental impact will be minimal with no sustainability issues identified.

Equality and Diversity Implications

A full Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken for the IRMP 2022 – 27 and the supporting strategies. Usual distribution media will be employed to assist persons with access to information. The CRMP will be available in a variety of languages and/or a format suitable for impaired consultees.

HR Implications

None

Financial Implications

Production of the CRMP falls within existing budgets and no abnormal spends are anticipated. As with the publication of the last CRMP, the move to publishing the CRMP in a fully digital format reduces costs compared to previous printed versions.

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

Table 2 Details of any background papers

Paper:	
Date:	
Contact:	
Reason for inclusion in Part 2 if appropriate:	