# Lancashire Combined Fire Authority

Meeting to be held on 27 June 2022

# Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2021/22

(Appendix 1 refers)

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Executive summary and recommendations

#### **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 2021 to 31st March 2022.

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 of the Service in this respect. The report therefore provides a summary of key actions, overall progress and performance in respect of accidents and near misses, carbon emissions together with a look forward to planned improvement areas for 2022/23.

### Recommendation(s)

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

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**

LFRS continues to manage the environmental risks and issues with impact directly on the Service through the externally accredited ISO14001 Environmental Management System which details our environmental aspects and impacts together with the measures taken to control and mitigate risks. The changing climate continues to impact on the Service response activities, particularly in relation to increasing attendance at flooding and wildfire incidents. Carbon management within the LFRS estate and vehicle fleet is a growing issue, with the impact on utility and energy use which the Service is seeking to mitigate through the Carbon Management Plan.

# **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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> June 2011	
Annual Health and Safety Report 2011/12 LFRS Sustainability Report 2011/12	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2012/13	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2013	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2013/14	23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2014	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2014/15	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2015	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2015/16	20 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	

Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2016/17	19 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	
Safety, Health and Environment Annual Review Report 2017/18	18 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	
Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2018/19	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	
Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2019/20	14 <sup>th</sup> September 2020	
Annual Safety, Health and Environment Report 2020/21	28 June 2021	

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