

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY
Meeting to be held on Monday 20 February 2017

INTEGRATED RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN 2017 – 2022
(Appendix 1 refers)

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Executive Summary

Integrated risk management planning provides Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service (LFRS) with the opportunity to detail what the Service aims to do to identify and consider the full range of fire and rescue related risks across Lancashire. This ensures that both our communities and other interested parties are provided with detail of how we intend to fulfil our responsibilities in a clear, cohesive manner.

At the Planning Committee meeting on the 21 November 2016, Members endorsed the publication of the draft Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) 2017-22 for consultation over a six week period from 28 November 2016 to 8 January 2017.

Following the consultation period a final version of the plan was presented to Members of Planning Committee on 30 January 2017, with a detailed report on the consultation process, its outcomes and any resulting amendments that were recommended for incorporation within the final version of the plan.

Members of the Planning Committee agreed that the consultation undertaken was sufficient and endorsed the proposed amendments which have been incorporated into the final version presented today (as appendix 1).

Recommendation

The Authority is requested to approve the draft Integrated Risk Management Plan 2017-2022 and authorise publication.

Information and Key Changes

The new Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) 2017-2022 will be Authority's replacement for the current IRMP 2013-2017. This plan has been developed to be an overarching, enabling document that provides hyperlinks to all of LFRS's strategic documents such as the Annual Service Plan and Strategic Assessment of Risk. This delivers the opportunity for the Service to remain in a progressive position over the lifespan of this IRMP as these links will provide the pathways to the most up to date documents. This plan does not however detail the Emergency Cover review; this will be undertaken and consulted upon separately during 2017/18.

Our Values have been brought to life with enhanced definitions of the STRIVE acronym, this provides the building blocks to support our staff to continue to develop a working environment in which everyone can feel engaged, valued and respected.

The strategic risks that have been previously documented within the IRMP have been removed as they are now referenced within the Strategic Assessment of Risk. This new publication provides a comprehensive assessment of fire and rescue related risk to facilitate an improved risk picture that is refreshed and updated on an annual basis.

The Community Safety Strategy has been encapsulated within the IRMP highlighting the importance of the inter-locking components of Start Safe, Live Safe, Age Safe and Road Safe that remain at the core of our approach to reducing risk and improving public safety. As approved by the Planning Committee, this removes the requirement for a separate Community Safety Strategy.

Significant progress has been made with Climate Change and Environment responsibilities which are now thoroughly embedded and entrenched within Service planning, policies and procedures. Therefore the Climate Change and Environment Strategy has been encompassed within this new IRMP, thus negating any further need for a separate Climate Change and Environment Strategy document.

Next Steps

Following CFA approval the IRMP 2017-22 will be published in early April 2017 and will be available to access/download on the LFRS website. The IRMP will be maintained on an annual basis to ensure that all links within the document are up to date and relevant.

Benefits

Approval of the draft IRMP 2017-2022 will allow us to meet the statutory requirements as outlined within the National Framework document.

Financials

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

Business Risk

Production of the IRMP is a business critical planning function. LFRS must produce an IRMP 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

An initial Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken for the IRMP 2017-22. Usual distribution media will be employed to assist persons with access to information. The IRMP will be available in a variety of languages and/or a format suitable for impaired consultees.

HR Implications

None

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