

Report of the Head of Corporate Services

12. Fire Authority Annual Report 2015-16

Purpose of report

1. To adopt the Fire Authority Annual Report 2015-16 and approve for publication.
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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Authority adopts the draft Fire Authority Annual Report 2015-16 and approves it for publication subject to any final minor changes as agreed by the Chief Fire Officer in consultation with the Chairman.

Introduction and Background

2. As part of our corporate planning process, the Service produces a Fire Authority Annual Report (Appendix 1 – separate enclosure). The Fire Authority Annual Report 2015-16 presents an overview of the Service's activities in 2014-15, including a summary of overall performance and achievements, and highlights our plans for 2015-16.
3. The document has been prepared in a style that makes it easier to read and access on the Service's website as part of the aim to improve community engagement with, and understanding of, the work of the Service.
4. This year's report follows on from the publication of the Community Risk Management Plan 2014-2020 in October 2014, and includes the 2015-16 Action Plan under the main headings of Prevention, Protection, Response, Resilience and Organisational Support & Development. It also sets out a summary of actions proposed in the new 2020 Vision Programme.

Conclusion/Summary

5. Subject to Authority approval, the finalised report will be published on the Service website.

Corporate Considerations

Resource Implications (identify any financial, legal, property or human resources issues)	The whole document includes information on financial, property and human resource issues and changes which are necessary to support the implementation of Fire Authority objectives.
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Strategic Policy Links (identify how proposals link in with current priorities and policy framework and if they do not, identify any potential implications).	The whole document highlights key achievements and performance in delivering Our Strategy in 2014-15, and it highlights proposed actions in 2015-16 as part of the CRMP 2014-2020 and the 2020 Vision Programme.
Risk Management / Health & Safety (identify any risks, the proposed control measures and risk evaluation scores).	The document provides an overview of activities and proposed actions. The details for each activity and proposed action set out any risk implications.
Consultation (identify any public or other consultation that has been carried out on this matter)	Senior Management Board consultation.
Equalities (has an Equalities Impact Assessment been completed? If not, why not?)	Business Impact Assessment completed, which includes equality and diversity. Equality and diversity will be considered by each project or activity manager. Equality and diversity ('the inclusiveness agenda') is embedded throughout the document.

Supporting Information

Appendix 1– Fire Authority Annual Report 2015-16 (separate enclosure)

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