



Jonathon Pryce  
Chief Fire Officer and Chief Executive  
Hereford & Worcester Fire Service  
Hindlip Hall  
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Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Jonathon,

**RE: Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service Draft Community Risk Management Plan**

I am writing to formally express my full support for the Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service's draft Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP), which is currently out for consultation.


The draft CRMP sets out a clear, well-evidenced, and up-to-date assessment of the fire and rescue-related risks facing communities across Hereford and Worcester. It is evident that the plan has been developed in accordance with the expectations of the *Fire and Rescue National Framework for England*, providing a robust and transparent basis for local planning and operational delivery. In particular, the CRMP demonstrates how the Service will effectively utilise Prevention, Protection, and Response activities to mitigate identified risks and promote public safety.

I am particularly encouraged by the commitment outlined in the plan to reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads. Road safety remains a shared priority across West Mercia as referenced within my West Mercia Safer Communities Plan. I welcome the focus on both partnership-led interventions and dedicated risk-reduction initiatives targeted at young drivers and other vulnerable road users as these efforts are crucial in reducing harm and saving lives.

The CRMP is a testament to the Service's professionalism and commitment to continuous improvement. It provides a clear strategic direction while also responding to the unique needs and challenges of our local communities. I also commend the inclusive and open approach to consultation, which ensures the voices of residents and stakeholders are meaningfully reflected in shaping the future of fire and rescue provision.

Please be assured of my ongoing support as this plan moves forward, and I look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts to build safer, more resilient communities across West Mercia.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Campion". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John Campion  
**Police and Crime Commissioner**  
**West Mercia**