



## **AGENDA ITEM: 9**

### **NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**16<sup>th</sup> June 2008**

#### **Risk Reduction Action Plan 2009/10**

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#### **Purpose of Report**

- 1.** To present Members with the Risk Reduction Plan draft Action Plan for 2009/10.

#### **Introduction**

- 2.** On the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006 the Welsh Assembly Government launched its guidance for Fire and Rescue Authorities on Risk Reduction Plans (RRP) entitled "Wales a Safer Country". It replaced the previous guidance and policy of Integrated Risk Management Planning.
- 3.** The RRP guidance provides the strategic direction necessary for Authorities to address risk in a structured way whilst embracing the increased emphasis on prevention.
- 4.** It is important for Members to note that:
  - The primary aim of the RRP is to reduce risk
  - Authorities must have in the public domain an RRP or resulting Action Plan, on which they have consulted, by the 31<sup>st</sup> October each year
  - Authorities must consult widely on the RRP or Action Plan and allow a minimum of 12 weeks for consultation



## **Introduction** *(continued)*

- 5.** The purpose of this covering paper is to present Members with the draft Risk Reduction Action Plan for 2009-10 which is the result of the work of the Risk Reduction Planning Working Group. The recommendations have been accepted by the Executive Panel of 5<sup>th</sup> March 2008.

## **Conclusion**

- 6.** To meet the requirements shown in section 4, the last possible date the Action Plan can be issued for public consultation is 10<sup>th</sup> July 2008. This is to ensure that all the responses can be reported to the Authority and the Action Plan published by the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2008.
- 7.** Members will also wish to note that the draft RRP Action Plan has, contrary to the guidance, not been submitted to the Minister for Social Justice and Regeneration for informal discussion. This will be done as soon as circumstances allow.

## **Recommendation**

- 8.**
  - 8.1** That Members note the contents of the report and approve the draft RRP Action Plan for public consultation.
  - 8.2** In the meantime, proceed to initiate an informal discussion on the proposals through officials at the Welsh Assembly Government.