NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY REPORT

DATE: 19th December 2005

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PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To seek the Authority's approval of the

draft Integrated Risk Management 3rd Year

Action Plan for public consultation.

1. **INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 In April 2004 the Fire Authority published its first Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) titled Preventing, Protecting, Responding.
- 1.2 To maintain the momentum of identifying and reducing risks to our communities, a third year action plan has been produced following discussions at the IRMP working group.
- 1.3 Guidance is yet to be issued, and is currently being drawn up by the Welsh Assembly Government. This Guidance is likely to affect the Integrated Risk Management Planning process for the 2007/08 year.
- 1.4 The Authority's Executive Panel met on 13th December to discuss the draft 3rd year action plan and to approve the amendments proposed by the IRMP Working Group for inclusion in the Action Plan. The required amendments have now been incorporated into the revised draft third year action plan, a copy of which is attached, and is presented to the Authority with a view to seeking members' approval to go out to consultation.

2. **IRMP PROCESS**

- 2.1 It is important to note that there has been no specific guidance on IRMPs from the Welsh Assembly Government (see 1.3 above). The Assembly has indicated that the revision of guidance is to be published imminently.
- 2.2 The proposed areas for work in the 3rd year action plan are:-
 - Special Appliance Review Implementation
 - AFA Charging
 - Co Responding Trial
 - CFS for Rural Properties
 - Automatic Location Provision
 - Easy Access Performance Monitoring
 - Operational Manager Provision

The document also provides an update on progress of the original IRMP and last year's 2nd year action plan.

2. **IRMP PROCESS** (continued)

2.3 The resulting draft IRMP is the culmination of intensive work between members and Officers over the past 3 months.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 Members note the contents of the report.
- 3.2 In the light of the amendments made by the Executive Panel at its meeting on 13th December 2005 that members approve the revised draft 3rd year action plan, "Maintaining Momentum", for public consultation, with responses to be received by 1st March 2006; and;
- that the results of the consultation be reported back to the IRMP Working Group/Executive Panel for consideration of any further amendments prior to the 3rd Year Action Plan being presented to the Authority for adoption as its meeting in March 2006.