

AGENDA ITEM: 8

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

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Risk Reduction Action Plan 2008/09

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Purpose of Report

1. To present Members with the draft Risk Reduction Action Plan for 2008/09

Introduction

- 2. On the 21st March 2006 the Welsh Assembly Government launched its guidance for Fire and Rescue Authorities on Risk Reduction Plans 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 31st 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 2008-09 which is the result of the work of the Risk Reduction Planning Working Group. The recommendations have been accepted by the Executive Panel of 21st May 2007.

Conclusion

- **6.** To meet the requirements shown in section 4, the last possible date the Action Plan can be issued for public consultation is 10th July 2007. This is to ensure that all the responses can be reported to the Authority and the Action Plan published by the 31st October 2007.
- 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. That Members note the contents of the report and approve the draft RRP Action Plan for public consultation.