



AGENDA ITEM: 8

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

16 September 2013

IMPROVEMENT OBJECTIVES 2014-15 CONSULTATION

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Purpose of Report

- 1 To present for Members' approval the contents of the draft Improvement Objectives 2014-15 Consultation document

Background

- 2 Welsh improvement authorities are required to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement and to set themselves Improvement Objectives every year, having first consulted on those objectives with representatives of interested parties. This is in accordance with the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009.
- 3 Fire and Rescue Authorities are required to prepare and publish annually an improvement plan as soon as reasonably practicable after 31 December in the year before the year to which it relates. This is in accordance with the Fire and Rescue Authorities (Improvement Plans) (Wales) Order 2012.

Information

- 4 At its meeting of 4th February 2013 the Executive Panel agreed the membership of an Improvement Plan (IP) Working Group of members.

- 5 The IP Working Group met regularly to consider information and discuss the development of the Authority's 2014-15 Improvement Objectives.
- 6 At its meeting of the 15th July 2013, the Executive Panel considered the recommendations of the IP Working Group as regards the Improvement Objectives for 2014-15.
- 7 These have now been compiled into a draft document (Appendix 1) that will be used to gather views from the public and other interested parties between now and early December 2013.
- 8 Comments received during this period of consultation will then be considered by the Authority prior to final adoption of the 2014-15 Improvement Objectives before the end of March 2014.

Recommendations

- 9 That Members approve the contents of the document 'Our plans for fire and rescue services in North Wales' for public consultation.