



AGENDA ITEM: 9

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

20 March 2017

IMPROVEMENT AND WELLBEING OBJECTIVES 2018-19

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Purpose of Report

- 1 To propose for Members' approval draft improvement and wellbeing objectives 2018/19 for consultation.

Introduction

- 2 North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority (NWFRA) is required under the Local Government Measure 2009 to carry out improvement planning and to publish its improvement objectives for 2018/19 by 31 March 2018.
- 3 NWFRA is also required under the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015 to carry out sustainable development and to publish well-being objectives. The first well-being objectives have to be published by 31 March 2017 and reviewed as part of the Authority's arrangements for reporting against them. This formal review of the objectives will therefore take place after April 2018.
- 4 The Improvement Planning Working Group met on 6 February and 6 March 2017 to develop draft improvement and well-being objectives for 2018/19.
- 5 It is intended to amend the planning stages this year to allow time for member nominations onto the Authority after the May county council elections. This will mean conducting a public consultation on draft objectives between May and July 2017, presenting the response to the Executive Panel in October 2017 and presenting final draft objectives for approval by the full Authority in December 2017 along with the draft budget for 2018/19.

Information

- 6 At its meeting in March 2017, the Improvement Planning Working Group proposed the following three draft objectives for 2018/19, for public consultation between 8 May and 31 July 2017:
- i.** To deliver a comprehensive programme of prevention activity aimed at helping to keep people and communities safe from accidental fires in living accommodation;
 - ii.** To secure the Authority's financial sustainability by maintaining the 3-year financial strategy that can combine the use of reserves, increasing financial contributions and making service reductions;
 - iii.** To seek opportunities to work with other organisations to offer a wider range of integrated services to the public of North Wales.

Recommendations

- 7 That Members approve the draft improvement and well-being objectives 2018/19 for consultation as outlined in paragraph 6.