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## **SERVICE PRIORITIES 2016/17**

### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Policy and Resources Committee approval of the Service Priorities for 2016/17 and to provide an overview of other significant work for information.

### **2. Recommendation**

- 2.1 The Policy and Resources Committee is asked to approve the Service Priorities for 2016/17.

### **3. Risk Assessment**

- 3.1 **Political** – an effective planning process aims at providing the most effective service by reducing risk in the community and supporting business.
- 3.2 **Economic** – an effective planning process will deliver the Authority's strategy within the economic envelope available. It ensures we provide the best possible value.
- 3.3 **Social** – the options outlined in this Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) serve to improve the quality of service to the community and mitigate the effects of fire and other incidents on the welfare of the community.
- 3.4 **Legal** – the Fire and Rescue National Framework for England 2012 places a duty on all Fire Authorities to produce a local IRMP setting out the Authority's strategy to mitigate risk to communities.

### **4. Background**

- 4.1 The current IRMP 2015/19 encompasses our approach to managing the risks to our community. In preparation for planning year 2017/18 we are proposing to change our approach to integrated risk management planning to make it simpler and more responsive to the changing needs of the community. In future our IRMP will encompass all of the activity we are engaged in to exploit

opportunities and reduce the risks associated with providing a service to the community.

- 4.2 The Service presents its main priorities for agreement and its other significant work for information (Appendix 1 refers).
- 4.3 For the financial year 2016/17 the Service will attach the activities we are undertaking to the existing IRMP 2015/19 as an activity plan. This will show the work we are undertaking to ensure the organisation is capable of responding effectively to risks to the community.
- 4.4 If the proposed IRMP planning framework is agreed by the Authority, these annual priorities will become part of the IRMP planning process.

## **5. Consultation**

- 5.1 The Service will follow the Cabinet Office guidance and conduct targeted consultation with appropriate stakeholders for those activities which change the service we deliver or otherwise impact upon stakeholders.

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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