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Fire Authority Annual Report and Statement of Assurance 2022/23

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the Fire Authority with the draft Annual Report and Statement of Assurance 2022/23 for approval.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Fire Authority is asked to agree the draft Annual Report and Statement of Assurance 2022/23, attached at Appendix 1, subject to the additions highlighted in Paragraph 4.4 below.

Risk Assessment

3.1 Political – the Fire and Rescue National Framework requires fire authorities to provide annual assurance on financial, governance and operational matters and show how they have had due regard to the expectations set out in their Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) and the requirements included in said framework. To evidence this assurance, the Authority must publish an annual statement of assurance.

4. Background

4.1 As stated above, the purpose of the publication of an Annual Report and Statement of Assurance is to meet the requirements of the Fire and Rescue National Framework and to ensure the Service continues to provide information on its activities to the communities it serves and key stakeholders.

- 4.2 Appendix 1 is the draft text version of the report for 2022/23. This version will be published on the Service's website, subject to Authority approval, as it meets the required accessibility regulations. A designed version, containing photos and infographics, will also be published on the website at a later date.
- 4.3 The report reflects our performance against our IRMP. The content is broken down into the same sections and headings as previous reports but follows the heading structure recommended by accessibility guidance for online documents. The final designed version will have the same look and feel as the previously published 2021/22 document.
- 4.4 Some of the audit information in Section 10 (from Page 33) will be updated once we have received the relevant audit reports. There is a backlog with the auditor, meaning we are still awaiting sign off for last year's report. Once the reports are signed off, they will be published on the website but in the meantime the draft reports will be published.
- 4.5 In addition to being published on our website, the documents will be promoted via social media channels and the wider media community and a link sent to our key partners. It will not be printed however if individuals request a hard copy this will be colour printed internally and sent to them.

Source Documents

Fire Authority Planning Documents

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