

Shropshire Fire Risk Management Services Ltd. Performance Reporting

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1 Purpose of Report

This report provides information on the performance of the Fire Authority controlled company, Shropshire Fire Risk Management Services Ltd.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note the report.

3 Background

In April 2013 the Fire Authority agreed to establish a local authority controlled company, to be known as Shropshire Fire Risk Management Services Ltd. (SFRMS). The company went live in July 2013.

Subsequently (in September 2013), the Fire Authority agreed that the company should report quarterly to the Audit and Performance Management Committee, with the first twelve months' performance being measured against the company's first year Business Plan. Future performance indicators would be decided by the Committee.

The purpose of reporting is to provide an opportunity for the Fire Authority to assure itself that the financial affairs of the company are in order and to enable the tracking of profitability and business growth.

Financial statements and performance information and commentary, for the first five months of the current year, are set out in exempt paper 16 for consideration by the Committee in closed session.

4 Review of the Company Business Plan

The last financial year (2014/15) was the company's first full year of operating and has seen significant changes in the way that the company's head office functions have been resourced, including the employment of a full-time Technical Sales Manager and the Company Manager role reverting back to a part-time post. This provides an ideal opportunity for the Company's Business Plan to be reviewed and updated, reflecting on the learning to date.

The Company Board have recently considered the outcome from the review process and reflected on the changes required to the current Business Plan. The results from their deliberations will be reported to the Fire Authority, at its October meeting, and will then be reflected in future performance reports to this Committee.

5 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, which contains historical data relating to the company's performance.

6 Legal Comment

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

7 Initial Impact Assessment

As this report contains only historical data an Initial Impact Assessment has not been completed.

8 Equality Impact Assessment

There are no equality or diversity implications arising from this report. An Equality Impact Assessment is not, therefore, required.

9 Appendix

Exempt paper 16

Performance Information and Commentary up to 31 August 2015

10 Background Papers

There are no background papers associated with this report.