

## Public Value Outcomes 2011

### Report of the Chief Fire Officer

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### 1 Purpose of Report

This report sets out the summary financial and service planning outcomes arising from the second year of the 2010 Public Value review, particularly in respect of the scheduling and nature of proposed budget cuts during the period 2012-2015. The outcomes and proposals set out within the report were considered and accepted by the Fire Authority's Strategic Risk and Planning Working Group (STRaP).

### 2 Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- a) Note the contents of this report; and
- b) Recommend to the Fire Authority that it approve the inclusion of the proposed budget reductions in the budget setting process.

### 3 Background

To address the impact of the recession upon Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service a Public Value review was introduced at the outset of 2010. The Member led review sought, through a structured process of staff engagement, to solicit the views, opinions and support of staff to unite into a single team to form a collective strategy to address likely budget cuts.

A total of 40 Public Value staff engagement sessions took place in 2010, and a second round of consultations is currently being undertaken to update staff on progress to date, and to confirm the proposed budget cuts for 2012/13. In addition, a number of meetings with the business community and members of the public are planned over the coming months.

#### **4 Public Value Outcomes**

Full details regarding the proposals planned for 2012/13 and future years are shown on the appendix to this report. The total value of the proposals to be implemented is £1.6m over the period 2012/13 to 2014/15, with a total reduction in the 4 year period of £2.8m.

#### **5 Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

#### **6 Legal Comment**

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

#### **7 Equality Impact Assessment**

Officers have considered the Service's Brigade Order on Equality Impact Assessments (Personnel 5 Part 2) and have determined that there are no discriminatory practices or differential impacts upon specific groups arising from this report. An Initial Equality Impact Assessment has not, therefore, been completed.

#### **8 Appendix**

Summary of Proposed Budget Reductions 2011/12 – 20114/15

#### **9 Background Papers**

There are no background papers associated with this report.

### Summary of Proposed Budget Reductions 2011/12 – 2014/15

2011/12 Area:	Saving	2012/13 Area:	Saving	2013/14 Area:	Saving	2014/15 Area:	Saving
Legacy Inflation	£100,000	Reduction of 2 Non-Uniform Posts	£50,000	End to permanent crewing of RT (from 01/01/2014)	£80,000	End to permanent crewing of RT (from 01/04/2014)	£217,000
Insurance Premium Reductions	£100,000	Reduction of 5 RDS Posts	£30,000	Reduction of 2 Non-Uniform Posts	£50,000	Reduction of 2 Non-Uniform Posts	£50,000
Reduction of 2 Non-Uniform Posts	£50,000	Reduction in RDS budget	£50,000	Reduction of 5 RDS Posts	£30,000	Reduction of 5 RDS Posts	£30,000
Reduction of 5 RDS Posts	£30,000	Reduction in Capital Programme	£90,000	Reduction in Smoke Alarm Budget	£75,000	Reduction in Capital Programme	£125,000
Reduction of 4 planned DST officers	£148,000	Reduction in Building Maintenance Budget	£50,000	Reduction of 1 Training Instructor post	£43,000		
Reduction of 4 WT watch managers	£172,000	Revised Relief Crew Policy	£30,000	Reduction in Capital Programme	£160,000		
Reduction of 6 Incident Command posts	£372,000	Cessation of permanent crewing of ALP	£297,000	Reduction in Building Maintenance Budget	£50,000		
Removal of station messing	£61,000			Reduction of 1 Brigade Manager post	£100,000		
Reduction in RDS budget	£50,000						
Reduction in Capital Programme	£63,000						
<b>Saving:</b>	<b>£1,146,000</b>		<b>£597,000</b>		<b>£588,000</b>		<b>£422,000</b>
<b>Accumulative Savings:</b>	<b>£1,146,000</b>		<b>£1,743,000</b>		<b>£2,331,000</b>		<b>£2,753,000</b>

**Key to abbreviations:**

- ALP** – Aerial Ladder Platform
- DST** – District Support Officers
- RDS** – Retained Duty System personnel
- RT** – Rescue Tender
- WT** – Wholetime Duty personnel