

Summary of Progress within the Improvement Priorities for 2008/09

Report of the Chief Fire Officer

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1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to report progress within the Improvement Priorities Programme for 2008/09.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note which improvement priorities have been completed and which will continue to be delivered as part of core business.

3 Summary

The report provides Members with evidence of progress within the Improvement Priorities. As this is the final update for the 2008/09 reporting year the report also shows where they have been completed or where they will sit within the 2009/10 Directorate Plans if continued into Core Business.

4 Background

The 2008/09 Improvement Priorities contained within this year's Corporate Plan were approved by the Strategy and Resources Committee on 6 March 2008. The Corporate Plan outlines a suite of Improvement Priorities and Core Business activities which support the achievement of the Brigade's Core Values, strategic aims and corporate objectives.

It was agreed by Members on 29 May 2008 at Audit and Performance Management Committee that a report charting the progress of those Improvement Priorities would report activities by exception and that Core Business would be presented to Officers and Members in a presentation format.

In line with this, throughout the year those Improvement Priorities that were slipping or failing were recorded within an issue log and, this has been presented to Members on a quarterly basis.

5 Review of Improvement Priorities 2008/09

Attached to this report is a list of the Improvement Priorities with evidence to show where they have been completed or where they will sit within the Directorate Plans for 2009/10.

This is the concluding report for the 2008/09 Improvement Priorities.

6 Financial Implications

Financial implications for achieving the Improvement Priorities and Core Business were considered at the planning stage, however any unplanned expenditure would be raised and dealt with via the Issue Log.

7 Legal Comment

There are no legal implications for this report.

8 Equality Impact Assessment

This report is purely an update on progress to date and so the recommendations within the report have no impact on people.

9 Appendix

Review of Improvement Priorities for 2008/09

10 Background Papers

Quarterly Summary of Progress within the Improvement Priorities and Core Business for 2008/09 – Report 15, Audit and Performance Management Committee, 12 March 2009

Quarterly Summary of Progress within the Improvement Priorities and Core Business for 2008/09 – Report 10, Audit and Performance Management Committee, 27 November 2008

Quarterly Summary of Progress within the Improvement Priorities and Core Business for 2008/09 – Report 13, Audit and Performance Management Committee, 11 September 2008

Improvement Priority Reporting 2008/09 – Report 15, Audit and Performance Management Committee, 29 May 2008

Corporate Plan 2008/09 – Report 15, Shropshire and Wrekin Fire Authority, 13 February 2008.

Implications of all of the following have been considered and, where they are significant (i.e. marked with an asterisk), the implications are detailed within the report itself.

Balanced Score Card		Integrated Risk Management Planning	
Business Continuity Planning		Legal	
Capacity		Member Involvement	
Civil Contingencies Act		National Framework	
Comprehensive Performance Assessment		Operational Assurance	
Efficiency Savings		Retained	
Environmental		Risk and Insurance	
Financial		Staff	
Fire Control/Fire Link		Strategic Planning	
Information Communications and Technology		West Midlands Regional Management Board	
Freedom of Information / Data Protection / Environmental Information		Equality Impact Assessment	*