

Report to	North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority
Date	19 October 2026
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Subject	Community Risk Management Implementation Plan 2027/28



PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 To present to members of the Fire and Rescue Authority, the draft Community Risk Management Implementation Plan for 2027/28; and to seek approval to obtain feedback on the plan, via public consultation and through engagement with representative bodies.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2 Under the Welsh Government Fire and Rescue National Framework 2016, one of the key objectives for Fire and Rescue Services in Wales is to continually and sustainably reduce risk and enhance the safety of citizens and communities.
- 3 The North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority (the Authority) is required by The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 to make arrangements for continuous improvement in the exercise of its functions, by setting itself improvement objectives in each financial year against at least one of seven functions. The public must be consulted on these objectives.
- 4 It is a statutory requirement of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 for Public Bodies to publish annual well-being objectives and to report annually on their progress towards meeting their well-being objectives.
- 5 Welsh Government Fire and Rescue Circular W-FRSC (2024)06 confirms that the duties under the 2009 Measure and the Wellbeing of Future Generation Act (Wales) 2015 can be discharged through the publication of a single report.

- 6 This is the fourth Community Risk Management Implementation Plan (CRMIP), which has been developed to support the delivery of the Authority's Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP) 2024-2029. The CRMP aims to identify risks facing the community and describes how the Authority will manage those risks and continue to prevent and respond to fires and other emergencies. The objectives have been written to take account of the requirements of both aforementioned pieces of legislation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7 It is recommended that Members:
- i) **Note the content of the proposed plan for 2027/28; and**
 - ii) **Approve the launch of the public consultation.**

BACKGROUND

- 13 The Authority will report upon its progress against the 2027/28 Community Risk Management Plan objectives in its Annual Performance Assessment in the Autumn of 2028.

INFORMATION

- 14 The public consultation period is planned to commence from 19th October 2026, and to close 8 weeks later, on 14th December 2026.
- 15 Consultation activity will involve engagement with members of the community, via in-person engagement events and through use of electronic media (such as social media, and the opportunity for the public to email queries and feedback to a dedicated mailbox), as per previous years.
- 16 Opportunities will be made for individual feedback to be provided, as well as group feedback via focus-group engagements.
- 17 There will be engagement with equality interest groups, as per previous years, to ensure that the voices are heard from normally under-represented groups.
- 18 Following the close of the public consultation, a report will be produced detailing all feedback received, and with proposals for amendments, demonstrating due consideration to all feedback, aligned to the Gunning Principles.
- 19 Consultation with Representative bodies will take place via the Joint Consultation and Negotiation Committee (JCNC), ensuring that appropriate existing governance is applied.

- 20 The final Community Risk Management Implementation Plan 2027/28 will be presented to the authority in April 2027.

IMPLICATIONS

Well-being Objectives	The Community Risk Management Implementation Plan 2027-28 contains a Well-being statement as required by the Act
Budget	Not applicable
Legal	The Community Risk Management Implementation Plan 2027-28 has been prepared in accordance with the relevant legislation.
Staffing	None
Equalities/Human Rights/ Welsh Language	An Equality Impact Assessment has been prepared and updated following the public consultation.
Risks	The Community Risk Management Plan supports the Authority's risk management arrangements.