**IRMP 2015-19 Consultation Summary**

In 2015, Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service (RBFRS) published its Corporate Plan and Integrated Risk Management Plan for the period 2015/19. This started RBFRS on a journey of structural change as the service began a significant redesign.

The IRMP 2015-19 period saw RBFRS launch a number of public consultations on behalf of RBFA in order to seek feedback from the people of Royal Berkshire on a number of key projects and proposals. These projects and proposals aimed to ensure that RBFRS were delivering an efficient and effective service, whilst saving around £1.4million due to a cut in government funding.

The key consultations that occurred in this period were are follows (hyperlink to all)

* IRMP 2015-19 consultation (4 January - 4 April 2016)
* Response Standards Consultation (16 May- 25 July 2016)
* Service Redesign Consultation (12 December -12 March 2017)

**Outcomes**

Following these consultations, the Fire Authority agreed on the following outcomes:

* **IRMP 2015-19** : Underpinning planning assumptions as per our IRMP document (link)
* **Response Standards**: A first appliance response standard of 10 minutes to all incidents with a stretch performance target of 75% of occasions.
* **Service Redesign – Prevention**
* Proposal 1 and 2 -To reduce the number of vulnerable people dying due to accidental fires in the home, and to reduce the volume of fires occurring in homes and the injuries that result from them.
* Proposal 3 and 4- Through working with our partners we aim to reduce road deaths and injuries by 20% in Royal Berkshire over the next five years. We also propose aligning to the UK Drowning Prevention Strategy 2016–26, with the stated aim reducing the number of drowning incidents by 50% by 2026.
* Proposal 5 - Fire and rescue staff completing normal home fire safety checks would expand the scope of the visit to look out for other vulnerabilities to the resident.
* Proposal 6 and 7- We would continue to expand our schemes to deliver a range of services to support children’s health and wellbeing. We would aim to do this on a cost recovery basis. We also propose developing relationships with county-wide organisations to progress pathways to employment and apprenticeships for young people.
* **Proposal 8 –** We would introduce counselling to reduce fire-setting activity amongst adults. We would do this as a mainstream activity rather than as a pilot.
* **Service Redesign- Protection**
* Proposal 1: We propose to focus our audits in the places people are most at risk and where fire safety standards are not being met.
* Proposal 2: We propose to consider the impact major infrastructure projects planned in Royal Berkshire over the next five years may have on our fire safety specialists.
* **Service Redesign- Response**
* Option 1

3 x Remotely Managed Stations   
- Wokingham Rd from Caversham Rd

* Langley from Slough (Change: Windsor from Maidenhead)
* Theale from Whitley Wood

Disestablish the RSU

Close 2 x RDS stations

* Pangbourne and Wargrave

The Royal Berkshire Fire Authority chose to approve Option 1 for Response with an amendment. The amendment meant that the decision on the closure of Wargrave Fire Station was deferred for 12 months with two conditions – the availability of the crew increasing to 60 percent and the savings being found elsewhere.

**Summary**  
  
In light of these decisions, RBFRS will now deliver projects based on these outcomes.