

IRMP OBJECTIVES 2009 -2011

Action 2009 - 2011

Reduce Fatalities and Injuries

Proposal

Conduct a pilot project with Local Authority Housing provider/s to collect data regarding at risk groups identified by Acorn and evaluate the project

Why the proposal has been made

To ascertain the relationship between taking up tenancy and the occurrence of fire, crime, accident, damage to property etc. This will identify the optimum time for partner agencies to assist new tenants with helping to protect themselves from fire, crime, accidents, damage to property, access to services. If the project proves successful it will be implemented county wide.

Forecasted Benefit

- a) Reduction in fire fatalities and injuries in Local Authority housing stock
- b) Reduction in crime affecting Local Authority housing stock
- c) Reduction in accidents in the home
- d) Reduction in damage to Local Authority housing stock
- e) Access to advice and services provided by partner agencies
- f) Access to resources e.g. Fire Cadets for young people, RDS and Advocate work for adults
- e) Improved quality of life for tenants
- g) Partnership working under LAA agenda
- h) Reduced use of intervention resource by all agencies
- i) Reduced costs for partner agencies

Financial Impact

- a) Cost reductions associated with loss of life and injury prevention (£1.5m - CLG Toolkit: Economic cost of Fire)
- b) Cost reductions in intervention services
- c) Cost reductions in treatment services
- d) Cost reductions in repair and materials

Action 2009 - 2011
Reduce Fatalities and Injuries
Proposal
Use multiple intelligence sources for targeting activities and Home Safety Checks
Why the proposal has been made
The current methodology using Fire Service Emergency Cover modelling (FSEC) uses only past data on occurrences of fatalities and injuries. Communities for Local Government guidance advocates the use of a wide range of data sources to effectively target at risk groups. Acorn socio economic data provides a greater level of granularity when examining and identifying 'at risk' groups.
Forecasted Benefit
Improved targeting methods of at 'risk groups' using multi layered intelligence source data to further reduce fatalities and injuries in domestic properties
Financial Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Cost reductions associated with loss of life and injury prevention (£1.5m - CLG Toolkit: Economic cost of Fire) b) Cost reductions in intervention services c) Contribution to achieving National indicator 49 and other Local Area Agreement targets

Action 2009 - 2011
Community Engagement
Proposal
Increase community engagement in order to better understand the community's needs and target resources and support appropriately. Increase the number of Community Engagement Advisors/Advocates and introduce a network of volunteers. This will increase the capacity of public services to engage in outreach and community networking activities
Why the proposal has been made
Public services need to develop a much greater understanding of their communities in order to provide the services that people want
Forecasted Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Improved engagement with communities, particularly those hard to reach or those where English is not the first language. b) Increased recruitment in to young persons activities or Fire Cadets c) Improved recruitment in to Retained Duty System resources d) Improved joint working with other community focused agencies and services e) Contribute to achievement of National indicators 2,3,4,6,7,21,27,35,36,37,140,142 and 194
Financial Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Staff increases resourced through efficiencies b) Increased capacity through multi agency working which will share costs across partners

Action 2009 – 2011
Response Times
Proposal
Review Key Delivery Objective for life threatening incidents
Why the proposal has been made
To ensure the measure is more specific, measurable, achievable and realistic
Forecasted Benefit
a) Improved organisational performance b) Greater motivation to achieve the target
Financial Impact
No adverse financial impact identified

Action 2009 – 2011
Response Times
Proposal
Provision of a 'safety pack' for property's in remote locations
Why the proposal has been made
Provide key safety information for householders living in more remote locations where response times are impacted by distance and geography. The information pack to include details of average response time expected to each property.
Forecasted Benefit
a) Reduced fatalities and injuries
Financial Impact
Initial and ongoing costs of 'safety packs'

Action 2009 – 2011
Response Times
Proposal
Investigate pre alerting for crews and implement dynamic proximity based mobilising (nearest resource dispatched)
Why the proposal has been made
To improve speed of response to life threatening incidents
Forecasted Benefit
a) Improved organisational performance b) Reduced fatalities and injuries c) Improved safety of firefighters
Financial Impact
AVLS initial set up costs and minimal system maintenance costs

Action 2009 - 2011
Road Traffic Collisions
Proposal
Amend attendance to motorways incidents in line with current category 1 response and upgrade response to include the Technical Rescue Unit. Include the specialist rescue resource to attend incidents on motorways and improve deployment
Why the proposal has been made
Provides an opportunity to achieve efficiencies without impacting on service levels
Forecasted Benefit
a) Improved community safety b) 30% fewer mobilisations c) Improved safety to the public road user, pedestrians and Firefighters due to fewer mobilisations d) Contribution to national indicators 47, 48 and 179
Financial Impact
a) Cost reductions associated with loss of life and injury prevention (£1.5m - CLG Toolkit: Economic cost of Fire) b) Cost reductions in intervention services

Action 2009 - 2011
Road Traffic Collisions
Proposal
Improve inter service communication feedback and call interrogation in order to reduce unnecessary mobilisations
Why the proposal has been made
70% of all road traffic collisions result in little or no intervention by Fire and Rescue other than making the vehicle/s safe.
Forecasted Benefit
a) Improved community safety b) Fewer mobilisations c) Improved safety to the public road user, pedestrians and Firefighters due to fewer mobilisations
Financial Impact
a) Cost reductions associated with loss of life and injury prevention (£1.5m - CLG Toolkit: Economic cost of Fire) b) Cost reductions in intervention services c) Contribution to national indicator 179

Action 2009 – 2011
Road Traffic Collisions
Proposal
Produce a South Yorkshire Joint Services Road Traffic Collision Protocol
Why the proposal has been made
Improve partner interoperability, working relationships and use the protocol to attract funding for education and prevention initiatives
Forecasted Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Improved inter service working b) Improved inter service communications c) Improved inter service training and exercising d) Improved joint funding options
Financial Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Cost reductions associated with loss of life and injury prevention (£1.5m - CLG Toolkit: Economic cost of Fire) Cost reductions in intervention services b) Cost reductions in intervention services c) Contribution to national indicator 47, 48 and 179

Action 2009 - 2011
False Alarms
Proposal
Implement a 'ring back' action to help tackle malicious false alarms and engage other local emergency services in the process
Why the proposal has been made
When an emergency call results in a malicious report, fire control will 'ring back' the originating number and inform callers that their number will be monitored or cut off. Control will share this information with partners to ensure a multi agency approach to the problem
Forecasted Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Cost reductions associated with unnecessary mobilisations b) Cost reductions in intervention services c) Improved community safety making resources available for genuine life threatening emergencies d) Improved safety to the public road user, pedestrians and Firefighters due to fewer mobilisations e) Reduced nuisance for all agencies f) Contributes to national indicator 179
Financial Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Cost reductions associated with unnecessary mobilisations

Action 2009 - 2011

False Alarms

Proposal

Adopt the current Communities and Local Government guidance with regard to automatic fire detections:

- 1 pump to all Automatic Fire alarms
 - 2 at night for sleeping risk
 - 1 at night for non sleeping risk
- which will be at local intervention policy

Why the proposal has been made

To comply with the recommended options in Communities and Local Government cost benefit analysis document: Fire Research 2/2008. Options were presented to the Corporate Management Board and it was recommended that this be consulted on as part of the Integrated Risk Management Plan process

Forecasted Benefit

- a) Cost reductions associated with unnecessary mobilisations
- b) Cost reductions in intervention services
- c) Improved community safety making resources available for genuine life threatening emergencies
- d) Improved safety to the public road user, pedestrians and Firefighters due to fewer mobilisations
- e) Contribution to national indicator 179

Financial Impact

- a) Cost reductions associated with unnecessary mobilisations

Action 2009 - 2011

Health and Wellbeing

Proposal

Open fire station premises for use by partners and the community for smoking cessation groups, substance misuse groups, well person sessions, community group meetings, gymnasiums for recuperative care provision by partners and local sports clubs and be a start base for partner agencies for environmental audits, street patrols and estate walks

Why the proposal has been made

Traditional emergency work undertaken has been widened out by the introduction of Local Area Agreements and Comprehensive Area Assessments. As a key partner in each of the four Metropolitan Districts the organisation is best placed in communities to deliver and contribute to this wider agenda

Forecasted Benefit

- a) Increased contact with SYFR providing increased opportunities to sell key messages
- b) Contribute to reducing smoking and therefore a reduction in accidental dwelling fires, fatalities and injuries
- c) Contribute to reducing substance misuse and therefore a reduction in accidental dwelling fires, fatalities and injuries and road traffic accidents
- d) Opportunity to be a key contributor to reducing obesity and engage with children and young people
- e) Promote Healthy life styles and improve quality of life for the community
- f) Contributes to national indicators 8, 40, 56, 57, 110, 115, 120, 123

Financial Impact

There may be costs associated with premises modifications, insurance, utility costs and with each activity e.g. advertising, staffing etc. Each initiative will be subject to an individual business case

Action 2009 - 2011
Low Level Activity Stations
Proposal
Review the service provision options at identified low level activity stations and implement any recommendations
Why the proposal has been made
A key element of the IRMP is to regularly reassess community risk to ensure resources match demand. Where stations regularly experience low incident rates it is prudent to review service provision and where appropriate, revise it accordingly.
Forecasted Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Resource usage maximised b) Standards of cover maintained c) Greater value for money d) Contributes to National Indicator 179
Financial Impact
This will be determined as part of any identified options appraisal process

Action 2009 - 2011
Water Rescue Strategy
Proposal
Upgrade water rescue response provision. A five phase strategy has been formulated.
Why the proposal has been made
The South Yorkshire flood response needs of 2007 significantly exceeded the rescue response resources. Future response arrangements will be better prepared.
Forecasted Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Increased resource provision b) Increased staff training provision c) Increased safety of the community d) Contributes to achieving National Indicators 37,188 and 189
Financial Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Phases 1-3 costs agree for equipment and training b) Phases 4 and 5 will be costed during an options appraisal in 2009