

Cumbria County Council's Plan Focus

To safeguard children and ensure that Cumbria is a great place to be a child and grow up

To enable communities to live safely and shape services locally

To promote Health & Well-being and tackle poverty

To protect and enhance Cumbria's world class environment

To provide safe and well maintained roads and improved transport network

To promote sustainable economic growth and create jobs

To support older and vulnerable people to live independent and healthy lives

To be a modern and efficient council



2014/15

The Services' Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) 2014-17 fulfils the requirement for fire authorities to set out a strategy for the management of risks and this has been used to guide the planning process. Actions associated with the IRMP have been subject to a public consultation as part of the strategic budget planning process and actions approved are included within this plan.

Nationally, the fire and rescue service now has more wide ranging responsibilities than previously. New challenges are emerging; for example, the continuing and ever-changing terrorist threat, climate change and the impact of an ageing population. Such changes present challenges for Cumbria FRS and all are set against decreasing public sector budgets, in an ever more demanding economic climate.

The FRS has a statutory responsibility to respond to incidents such as fires, road traffic collisions and other emergencies across Cumbria. We also respond to calls for assistance in other regional and national areas in line with our mutual aid agreements. Further statutory duties relate to emergency pre-planning, fire prevention advice and fire protection and enforcement. A more holistic way of describing this is 'our intervention'. Collectively, our intervention arrangements are used as a suite of measures to protect communities, visitors and all those who travel within or through our county.

The Service operates 38 fire stations, 31 of which are crewed solely by on-call fire-fighters, 3 crewed solely by regular fire-fighters and 4 that are operated by a combination of regular and on-call fire-fighters. (All figures with effect from 30th June 2014 to take account of the closure of Dalton Fire Station). Green book staff are those that are not operational firefighters but who cover a variety of roles across the Service. They provide front line and operational support functions from delivering home accident reduction advice to issuing operational equipment and from supporting our volunteer network to occupational health provision to operational staff. In Cumbria, statistics indicate that one in three people volunteer compared to one in four nationally. CFRS currently has around 80 volunteers from a diverse range of backgrounds. The volunteer programme and volunteers have a positive impact on many of the Service and Council priorities.



Our Service Priorities	Reduce Risk in the Community	Contribute to our Communities Through Positive Engagement	Re-Shaping the Service	Deliver Effective, Efficient And Sustainable Services
Why?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement Business as usual Improvement activity Council Plan deliverables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvement activity Council Plan deliverables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improvement activity Council Plan deliverables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement Improvement activity Council Plan deliverables
Milestones we Aim to Achieve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of Maintenance of Skills On-Call Staff project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliver our contributions to the Council Area Plans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement revised crewing arrangements on the Aerial Ladder Platforms (ALPs) Re-shape emergency cover in the Furness Peninsula Transition of control room to the North West Fire Control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To produce and implement revised policy and procedures for Grey Book sickness management Complete the first cohort Emergency Fire Service Apprentice Programme Incident Management Policy Review Project Gartan Rota Model implementation Vehicle Replacement – capital funded
What we Will Measure:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total emergencies Number of accidental dwelling fires Number of casualties in accidental dwelling fires (excluding precautionary checks) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road Awareness Training sessions in all educational establishments in Cumbria Provide training for all defibrillators provided through the County Council Home Accident Reduction Interventions (HARIs) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of a revised crewing arrangement of the ALPs Closure of Dalton Fire Station Relocation of second fire engine from Barrow to Ulverston 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injuries, accidents, near misses