

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Date:	25 July 2013
Title:	Fire Safety in County Council Buildings and the Approach to Sprinkler Provision
Reference:	4911
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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1. The decision: (PROPOSED) To consider the following recommendation of the Buildings, Land and Procurement Panel of 25 June 2013:

- 1.1. That the successful improvements to Fire Safety through Partnership working with the HFRS, risk assessment, targeted capital expenditure and a comprehensive Fire Safety Audit process be noted.
- 1.2. That the County Council's risk based approach to sprinkler installations in new and refurbished buildings projects be re-affirmed and endorsed.
- 1.3. That the alignment between the new HFRA sprinkler provision statement and the County Council's risk based approach to sprinkler installations is noted.
- 1.4. That members note that over £3.4 million has been spent on sprinkler installations to improve asset and life safety in 27 higher risk buildings.
- 1.5. That the work to continue to develop a hybrid, property protection sprinkler system be endorsed.
- 1.6. That a technical review of new Primary Schools is undertaken to ascertain whether an asset protection sprinkler system may be cost effective and deliverable within funding allocations.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The proposals within the report support the County Council's Corporate Priorities by making Hampshire safer and more secure for all by providing modern, improved and safer children's home facilities.
- 2.2. This report is intended to update the Executive Member on the current procedures and progress in relation to fire safety and the provision of sprinklers within County Council buildings.

2.3. It also recommends and re-affirms the continuing commitment to a risk based approach to the management of fire safety and the application of sprinklers on constructions projects in the context of the Corporate Policies and Strategies.

3. Other options considered and rejected: None.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

25 July 2013

**Executive Member for Policy and Resources
Councillor Roy Perry**