

REPORT OF THE
Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority
PART II

76. UPDATE ON EMERGING ISSUES

1. The Fire Authority at its meeting on 19 February 2014 received and noted a presentation from the Chief Officer on developing work in the Fire and Rescue Service.

2. The Chief Officer set out the position for the Authority in the context of the economic crisis and noted that thus far, it remained secure thanks to prudent financial management. The future challenge was to provide the best possible service whilst continuing to make savings. It was explained that this would be facilitated by a risk review, likely to take around 18 months, which would generate evidence to re-shape the Service and draw in input from the public, members of staff and elected Members. Alongside this, the Service's support directorates would be combined to form a Professional Services Directorate. This project, including the Joint Working in Hampshire partnership, would interlink with the outcomes of the risk review.

COUNCILLOR KEITH CHAPMAN
On behalf of the Chairman of
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