



AGENDA ITEM: 13

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE PANEL

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Membership of Working Groups

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Purpose of Report

- 1.** To request nominations from North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority for membership of the Members Support and Development and Community Safety Champions Working Group; the Fire Cover and Risk Review and the Strategic Partnership Group.

Background

- 2.** During the life of the previous Fire and Rescue Authority, the Members Support and Development and Community Safety Champions Working Group was convened. This was in response to the high number of deaths due to accidental dwelling fires in this region. This Working Group has a dual remit:
 - to maintain and improve working relationships between the Authority and the constituent councils in the area of community safety.
 - to support and develop members in accordance with the principles of the 'Wales Charter for Member Support and Development'. The full terms of reference of this Working Group can be found in section 5 of the Members'



handbook.

3. Nominations are requested for six members , one member to represent each of the constituent councils, to sit on this Working Group which meets approximately every other month.
4. At the Fire and Rescue Authority meeting on the 16th June 2008 it was resolved that preparatory work in relation to proposal 4 of the Risk Reduction Plan be commenced immediately. This work concerns mapping and analysing the risks and resources available to meet these risks and it will form a major part of the full Risk Reduction Plan which will be produced and published in 2009.
5. Although this work will be discussed at the Risk Reduction Planning Working Group and Authority meetings it would be beneficial if members could be involved in the detail of this work and meet on a more regular basis. Nominations are therefore requested for three members, representing different interests from across North Wales, to sit on this Working Group.
6. The Strategic partnership group meets quarterly to oversee and direct the joint support service arrangements between North Wales Police, North Wales Fire and Rescue and the Welsh Ambulance Service. Nominations are requested for a member to attend these meetings and represent North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority.
7. **Recommendations**

That appointments to these three Working Groups are made.

