



AGENDA ITEM: 8

NORTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE PANEL

28 October 2013

WREXHAM FIRE AND AMBULANCE PROJECT

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Purpose of Report

- 1 To update Members on the latest information relating to the proposed joint fire and ambulance station development in Wrexham.

Background

- 2 A report was presented to the Authority on 16 September 2013 to update Members on project costs utilising a cost options appraisal, a benefits analysis of the project and the ministerial action and input of Welsh Government to assist in getting the project back on track.
- 3 Members resolved to reinstate the work programme on the joint project with WAST at Croesnewydd Road.

Information

- 4 The first project board meeting since suspending the work programme was held on 16 October 2013.

- 5 Reconfigured milestones within the programme are as follows:-
- Submission of planning permission early November 2013
 - Full Business Case submitted to Welsh Government by February 2014
 - Foundation solutions and flood platform early June 2014
 - Construction on main build early October 2014
 - Completion of build late September 2015.
- 6 The attached computer generated images (Appendix 1) provide Members with an indication of how the completed building will look.
- 7 The project board reconsidered its terms of reference and has suggested a Fire and Rescue Authority member representation on the board to provide a degree of independence for project assurance. A non-executive director from WAST already sits on the board in this capacity.
- 8 The next project board meeting will be 12 November 2013.

Recommendations

- 9 That Members:
- (i) note the contents of the report;
 - (ii) consider a nomination to the project board.