

CHESHIRE FIRE AUTHORITY

MEETING OF: PERFORMANCE AND OVERVIEW COMMITTEE
DATE: 23RD NOVEMBER 2022
REPORT OF: HEAD OF PREVENTION AND PROTECTION
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SUBJECT: THE PREVENTION DEPARTMENTS' ANNUAL
PARTNERSHIP REPORT 2021-2022

Purpose of Report

1. To present an overview of the performance of the prevention departments' Partnerships portfolio during the period April 1st 2021 to March 31st 2022.

Recommended: That

- [1] the report be noted.

Background

2. The Prevention department has a breadth of partnership activity that supports fire prevention within the community. The Partnerships include (but are not limited to), the Safe and Well Programme, and the Early Help and Prevention Partnership led by Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC).

Information

3. The report attached as Appendix 1, contains an overview of the Prevention Department's larger partnerships, end of year performance information for 2021-2022 and their current outlook.
4. The report also contains an overview of the response to the Covid-19 Pandemic, including headline performance, a summary of the Safety Central partnerships and the Prevention Departments' current workstreams.

Financial Implications

5. Some partnerships require funding for staff or vehicles. These costs are part funded by the Prevention Department's budget and by the partner where appropriate. A Partnership Agreement or a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) support partnerships with financial implications.

Legal Implications

6. The Fire and Rescue National Framework 2018 details a requirement for all fire and rescue services to collaborate with emergency services and other local and national partners to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the service they provide.

Equality and Diversity Implications

7. New partnerships led or engaged in by the Service are subject to Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) prior to commencement to ensure accessibility and promote equality and diversity throughout their duration. Existing partnerships have been updated to include EIAs. As the partnerships evolve, the EIAs are reviewed periodically to ensure they are still fit for purpose.

Environmental Implications

8. There are no environmental implications to consider.

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