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**COMMISSIONER FOR ESSEX**

**Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Fire and Rescue  
Authority**

**Decision Report**

**Please ensure all sections below are completed**

<b>Report reference number:</b> 109-19
<b>Government security classification</b> Official
<b>Title of report:</b> Strategic Assessment of Risk
<b>Area of county / stakeholders affected:</b> Countywide
<b>Report by:</b> Charles Thomas, Resilience Manager
<b>Date of report:</b> 25/09/2019
<b>Enquiries to:</b> Charles Thomas

**1. Purpose of the report**

To seek approval of the publication of the Strategic Assessment of Risk (SAOR) 2019.

**2. Recommendations**

That the Strategic Assessment of Risk 2019 be approved for publication.

**3. Benefits of the proposal**

Publication will facilitate greater access to the document for those officers and members of the support staff who require a greater understanding of the strategic risks the Authority and the service face, in order to extrapolate and understand risks at the tactical and operational levels.

**4. Background and proposal**

The Strategic Assessment of Risk is an annual production. The SAOR consists of a number data sets, principally generated by the service, central government sources, or local authorities. The SAOR strives to provide a comprehensive, high level view of risks associated with Greater

Essex, i.e. the Administrative County of Essex and the Unitary Authorities of Thurrock and Southend. The SAOR consists of 11 chapters and five appendices. Where appropriate, risks are linked to the National Security and Risk Assessment 2019. The SAOR underpins the service's Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP). The SAOR is a foundation document which provides the basis of the service complying with the requirements of The Fire and Rescue National Framework for England (May 2018) around "foreseeable risk".

**5. Alternative options considered and rejected**

There has to be some form of risk assessment in order to comply with the National Framework.

**6. Strategic priorities**

The SAOR underpins the IRMP process. The SAOR is a foundation document which provides the basis of the service complying with the requirements of The Fire and Rescue National Framework for England (May 2018).

**7. Operational implications**

A greater understanding of the strategic risks will contribute to understanding of risk management at the tactical and operational levels.

**8. Financial implications**

None at this stage.

**9. Legal implications**

The SOAR is a foundation document which provides the basis of the service complying with the requirements of The Fire and Rescue National Framework for England (May 2018).

**10. Staffing implications**

None at this stage.

**11. Equality and Diversity implications**

The SAOR helps identify the more vulnerable within Essex in order for the service to consider any new measures that can be put in place through the IRMP.

**12. Risks**

The SAOR is a risk assessment at the strategic level.

**13. Governance Boards**

SLT and latterly the Strategic Board on 17 September 2019.

**14. Background papers**

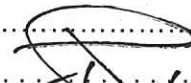
None, *per se*. As indicated above, there are a number of data sets referenced in the SAOR.

**Decision Process**

**Step 1A - Chief Fire Officer Comments**

(The Chief Fire Officer is asked in their capacity as the Head of Paid Service to comment on the proposal.)

I support the recommendation

Sign:   
Date: 25/09/19

**Step 1B - Consultation with representative bodies**

(The Chief Fire Officer is to set out the consultation that has been undertaken with the representative bodies)

n/a for this work

**Step 2 - Statutory Officer Review**

The report will be reviewed by the Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Fire and Rescue Authority's ("the Commissioner's") Monitoring Officer and Chief Finance Officer prior to review and sign off by the Commissioner or their Deputy.

Monitoring Officer

Sign: 

Print: P. Best-Jewell

Date: 28 October 2019

Chief Finance Officer

Sign: 

Print: GLENN MCCUMMIES

Date: 29/09/2019

**Step 3 - Publication**

Is the report for publication? YES

If 'NO', please give reasons for non-publication (Where relevant, cite the security classification of the document(s). State 'none' if applicable)

N/A

If the report is not for publication, the Monitoring Officer will decide if and how the public can be informed of the decision.

**Step 4 - Redaction**

If the report is for publication, is redaction required:

1 Of Decision Sheet

NO YES/NO

2 Of Appendix

YES/NO

If 'YES', please provide details of required redaction:

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N/A

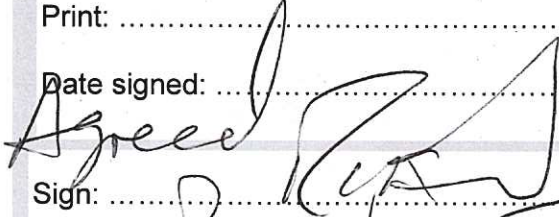
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If redaction is required, the Chief Finance Officer or the Monitoring Officer are to sign off that redaction has been completed.

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Agreed  


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Date signed: 30/10/19

I do not agree the recommendations to this report because:

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Sign: ..... (PFCC / DPFCC)

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Date signed: .....