

Safest People, Safest Places

Performance Committee

7 December 2023

His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services Action Plan Update

Report of the Director Community Risk Management

Purpose of Report

 The purpose of this report is to provide members with an update on the current position of the Action Plan resulting from County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service (CDDFRS) inspection by His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS).

Background

- 2. The HMICFRS round two inspection of CDDFRS was completed on 8 June 2022 with the final report published on 19 January 2023.
- 3. The inspection assessed how effectively and efficiently CDDFRS prevents, protects the public against and responds to fires and other emergencies. It also assessed how well it looks after the people who work for the Service.
- 4. An action plan to address all improvement areas identified in the report was developed. The action plan highlights all the areas formally highlighted in the report as needing improvement and also any text in the report which identifies where the Service is not as good as it could be.
- 5. In total there were 19 actions across the three pillars of Effectiveness, Efficiency and People.

Progress against the Action Plan

- 6. Progress against the plan is reported monthly to the Performance Board and to the Service Leadership Team.
- 7. Appendix 1 is the full action plan with updates recorded against all actions. To date 11 actions have been completed, with 8 ongoing.

Recommendations

- 8. Members are requested to:
 - a. **note** the contents of this report;
 - b. **receive** further reports as appropriate.