

ANNEX A

Background Material

LFRS Official Questionnaire

FBU Unofficial Questionnaire

Rutland Pre-Printed Letter

Rutland E-Petition

CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is intended for use with the Integrated Risk Management Plan 2015-2020 consultation document.

You may complete as many or as few of the sections (numbered 1-7) as you wish, but where you do complete a section, we would invite you to answer ALL of the questions within that section. When answering each question please tick just ONE of the option boxes. At the end of each section you will find a free text box where you may leave additional comments regarding your views on the proposal.

1. CHARNWOOD BOROUGH – LOUGHBOROUGH FIRE AND RESCUE STATION

We are proposing to remove one fire engine from Loughborough Fire and Rescue Station. This would result in a reduction of 20 wholetime posts. Our analysis shows that the risk, in terms of the number of incidents, has reduced in Charnwood; and, that if we remove a fire engine from Loughborough, adequate emergency cover is available from the remaining 24/7 wholetime fire engine at Loughborough Fire and Rescue Station; with the second fire engine coming from nearby fire and rescue stations. Removing the fire engine would save almost £780K.

1. Were you aware or unaware that the number of emergency incidents in Charnwood had reduced substantially in recent years?

Aware Unaware

2. Do you agree or disagree that we should target our community safety resources towards the most vulnerable people?

Agree Disagree

3. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by removing one fire engine from Loughborough Fire and Rescue Station?

Agree Disagree

2. RUTLAND – OAKHAM FIRE AND RESCUE STATION

We are proposing to remove the fire engine crewed by the On-Call staff from Oakham Fire and Rescue Station. This would mean a reduction of 12 On-Call posts.

Our analysis shows that Rutland is a relatively low risk area in terms of the number of incidents, and that if we remove the On-Call fire engine from Oakham adequate emergency cover is available from the 24/7 wholtime fire engine at Oakham, with the second fire engine coming from nearby fire and rescue stations. Removing the On-Call fire engine would save almost £100K.

4. Were you aware or unaware that the number of emergency incidents for Oakham Fire and Rescue Station are the lowest when compared to all of our wholtime fire and rescue stations?

Aware

Unaware

5. Do you agree or disagree that we should target our community safety resources towards the most vulnerable people?

Agree

Disagree

6. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by removing the On-Call fire engine from Oakham Fire and Rescue Station?

Agree

Disagree

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3. LEICESTER CITY

We are proposing to remove one fire engine from within the city area. This will mean a reduction of 20 wholetime posts.

Our analysis shows that the risk, in terms of the number of incidents, has reduced in Leicester City; and, that if we remove one fire engine from the city, adequate emergency cover is available from the other 24/7 wholetime fire engines in the city fire and rescue stations, along with cover from nearby fire and rescue stations. Removing one fire engine would save almost £780K.

7. Were you aware or unaware that the number of emergency incidents in Leicester City had reduced substantially in recent years?

Aware

Unaware

8. Do you agree or disagree that we should target our community safety resources towards the most vulnerable people?

Agree

Disagree

9. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by removing one fire engine from one of the city's three fire and rescue stations?

Agree

Disagree

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4. FIRE ENGINE CREWING LEVELS

We are proposing to crew all fire engines with a minimum of four people as standard. This will mean a reduction of 17 wholetime posts.

Current practice for city and On-Call fire engines shows that a crew of four people is a safe and adequate provision for responding to emergencies. Standardising crewing across the service to four would save almost £650K.

10. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by crewing all of our fire engines with four people?

Agree

Disagree

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5. THE RESILIENCE TEAM

We are proposing to disestablish the resilience team. This would mean a reduction of 12 wholetime posts.

The requirement to have a team specifically to cover the availability of On-Call staff has reduced in line with the closure of On-Call fire and rescue stations. Disbanding the resilience team would save almost £475K.

11. Were you aware or unaware of the reduction in the number of our On-Call fire engines in recent years?

Aware

Unaware

12. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by disbanding the resilience team?

Agree

Disagree

6. OADBY AND WIGSTON DISTRICT – WIGSTON FIRE AND RESCUE STATION

We are proposing to change the duty system worked by staff at Wigston Fire and Rescue Station, from a wholtime 2/2/4 and On-Call, to a wholtime Day Crewing Plus and On-Call system. This would mean a reduction of 14 wholtime posts.

Our analysis shows that the risk, in terms of the number of incidents, has reduced in Oadby and Wigston; however, 24/7 wholtime fire and rescue cover is still required in the area. Introducing Day Crewing Plus would save almost £415K.

13. Were you aware or unaware that the number of emergency incidents in Oadby and Wigston had reduced in recent years?

Aware

Unaware

14. Do you agree or disagree that it is reasonable to make necessary savings by implementing the Day Crewing Plus system?

Agree

Disagree

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7. COUNCIL TAX

Following the implementation of these proposals we still need to make savings in order to cover the outstanding budget deficit of approximately £1.8m. These could potentially be covered by a one-off increase of £5 plus a yearly increase of 1.99%; or, a one off increase of £10 with no further increase in Council Tax, or a one-off increase of £10 plus 1.99% yearly increase.

15. Would you be prepared to pay more for your fire and rescue service?

Yes

No

16. If YES, how much; either a £5 or £10 one-off increase on your Council Tax? (£5 equates to just under 10p per week, £10 equates to just under 20p per week, based on a Band D property)

£5

£10

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If you have answered any of the questions in this Consultation Questionnaire, please complete the following two questions:

I/we have answered questions contained in this Consultation Questionnaire as:

- An individual A business A group An organisation

I/we am/are located in the following District:

- Blaby District Council Charnwood Borough Council Harborough District Council
 Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Melton Borough Council
 North West Leicestershire District Council Oadby and Wigston Borough Council
 Leicester City Council Rutland None of the above

NB: consultation responses, including the names and addresses of respondents, will be made publicly available on request, unless confidentiality is specifically requested or disclosure would prejudice third parties.

Thank you for your feedback

EQUALITY MONITORING QUESTIONNAIRE

We would be grateful if you would complete this Equality Monitoring Questionnaire, as we need to carry out equality and diversity monitoring in order to meet our statutory obligations and to ensure that the service we provide is fair and accessible to all our diverse communities

Your assistance with answering the following questions is greatly appreciated and all answers you provide are confidential and will be used solely for monitoring purposes.

Gender Male Female Transgender

Age Range Under 18 18-24 25-39 40-59 60-74 75 and over

Ethnic Origin

White <input type="checkbox"/> British <input type="checkbox"/> Irish <input type="checkbox"/> Any other white background	Mixed <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> White and Black African <input type="checkbox"/> White and Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Any other mixed background	Asian or Asian British <input type="checkbox"/> Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Pakistani <input type="checkbox"/> Bangladeshi <input type="checkbox"/> Any other Asian background	Black or Black British <input type="checkbox"/> Caribbean <input type="checkbox"/> African <input type="checkbox"/> Any other black background	Chinese or Other Ethnic Group <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Other Ethnic Group (please specify)
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Prefer not to say

Disability
Disability is defined as 'a medical or physical impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on the ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.
Do you have a disability? Yes No

Religious Belief/Faith
 Buddhist Christian None
 Hindu Jewish Muslim
 Sikh Prefer not to say
 Other (please specify)

Sexual Orientation Bisexual Gay/Lesbian Heterosexual Prefer not to say