

RESPONSE STRATEGY AT A GLANCE

CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE HAS A VISION OF A SAFE COMMUNITY WHERE THERE ARE NO PREVENTABLE DEATHS OR INJURIES IN FIRES OR OTHER EMERGENCIES.

Our response **PRIORITIES** are:

- To save life
- To protect property and the environment
- To undertake other emergency rescues.

The main operational response **RISKS** our community faces are:

1. Primary fires
2. Road traffic collisions (RTCs)
3. Water related incidents.

KEY TARGETS:

- By 2014/15 CFRS will increase Retained Duty System availability to 95 per cent
- By 2014/15 CFRS will respond to the most serious incidents within an average of 9 minutes for the first appliance and within an average of 12 minutes for the second appliance
- In accordance with our training strategy, we will maintain firefighter competencies
- In accordance with our maintenance schedule, we will ensure the availability of our fleet and equipment.

THEME 1: RIGHT PEOPLE

Ensure that our operational personnel are available and competent to deal efficiently and effectively with the operational risks present within our community.

THEME 2: RIGHT EQUIPMENT

Ensure that our appliances and equipment are fit for purpose and are relevant to the prevailing risks.

THEME 3: RIGHT TIME

Ensure our incident response arrangements are efficient, effective and relative to the prevalent risks.

WE WILL IMPROVE THE SERVICE WE DELIVER BY:

- Ensuring that our operational personnel develop their competencies relative to risk.
- Ensuring crewing arrangements are relative to risk.
- Ensuring our arrangement for the command, management and supervision of incidents are suitable and sufficient
- Reviewing our current activity to ensure our resources are appropriate for existing requirements.
- Reviewing our current resources to ensure they meet reasonably predictable future requirements.
- Co-ordinating resources to ensure that they are aligned to those areas of greatest operational risk.
- Working with partners to identify those areas of greatest operational risk.
- Developing our analysis capability in order to proactively identify emerging operational risk.
- Ensuring arrangements are in place to support cross-border working and national resilience if called upon.