



FiReControl & Firelink PROJECT UPDATE Issue 16 : Mar 2008

FIRECONTROL PROJECT UPDATE

1 National FiReControl Project Update

New Ways Of Working – CLG decided to amend the process for releasing new ways of working information (formerly known as Convergence Outcomes) . CLG now be releasing relevant information as it becomes available. This will mean that for some Outcomes there will be incremental releases of information, giving FRSs work to do while building up to a complete picture .

Main system build - Work is continuing on the design of the main system with the focus on design workshops. In the last month, workshops have been held covering resource proposal usability and resource management mobilisation. Further workshops are planned including workshops on PDA solutions.

2 Regional FiReControl Project Update

Data Toolkit Installation Delayed - Data Toolkit Install dates have now been delayed for all FRSs in the Region due to failure of the User Acceptance Testing (UAT) recently conducted by CLG and EADS. We await further notification of the rectification of faults identified at UAT before install dates at FRSs can be rescheduled with EADS.

Data Working Group - a Regional working group has been set up and held its first meeting this month . This group comprises a data/ ICT representative from each FRS with the aim of working collaboratively where possible during the data migration period up to RCC Go Live.

Checkpoint 2 and Gateway 1 – these are significant Project Milestones. FRS and Regional Project Teams are currently preparing formal reports for submission to CLG on progress.

Control Room Information Seminars – final planning is underway for the 3rd set of Control Room Information Seminars which will be held at the RCC and Derbyshire FRS HQ during April .

3. Local Authority Controlled Company (LACC) Update

RCCD Day to Day Management of the RCC - following the Board's recommendation, the Company has amended the Articles of Association to allow delegation of their functions to the

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RCCD for the day to day management of the RCC. Therefore, the Internal Governance Arrangements are now operative.

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FIRELINK PROJECT UPDATE

1. National Firelink Progress

Phase B detailed regional planning - A way forward has been brokered with CLG on a number of extant issues and recent policy statements have been provided regarding communications for officers, hands free kits, pump bay voice terminals and radio handsets .

Vehicle EMC testing issue - is still being progressed via the Health & Safety Strategy working group. The main action is for Firelink to produce a generic risk assessment for vehicle EMC that could be used as a basis for individual FRS risk assessments.

2. Regional Firelink Progress

Regional Drive Testing - is proceeding throughout the Region and due for completion on the 21st March. The results of this will define the contractual radio coverage within the East Midlands

Formal Testing of the Control Room Solutions - is underway with Nottingham, Derby and Leicester now complete

Phase A vehicle installations - are currently in the final planning stages with the first install scheduled for 7th April at Notts and Derby FRS.

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