



## FiReControl & Firelink PROJECT UPDATE Issue 23 : Nov 2008

### FIRECONTROL PROJECT UPDATE

#### 1 National FiReControl Project Update

**MDT1a** - 5 MDT1a prototype workshops have been held. Feedback has been positive. Comments are being collated and evaluated and work is in progress to settle the delivery timescale for MDT1. The key issue is the adoption of a wireless update facility using FRS infrastructure.

**Main System Build** - Work continues on the design and build of the main system . Activities include the review of detailed design documentation , installation of the ICCS software in Newport and Frequentis conformance testing of ICCS against Airwave .

**RCC Infrastructure** - Work is continuing to install the console furniture and Audio Visual screens in the EM and SW RCCs. Installation of the main equipment room equipment has started in NE and is imminent in SW and EM.

**New ways of working** – A thorough review has now been completed of the approach to developing "Ways of Working" material. Each Way of Working document will contain the detailed technical and procedural solution that FRSs and/or RCCs must implement – these will be based on the previously communicated Convergence Outcomes.

#### 2 Regional FiReControl Project Update

**Attribute based Mobilising** - CLG will be holding a meeting in December to reach a conclusion on the trial of "translating" existing PDAs into Action Plans and PDAs as required for the FireControl System.

**Station End Equipment Surveys** – Derbyshire and Lincolnshire have agreed a 1<sup>st</sup> Dec start date for station surveys. Northamptonshire have agreed a 2 Feb 2009 start date. Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire survey dates have yet to be finalized but are expected to commence around Apr / May 2009.

**Data Collection & Migration Toolkit V1 ( DCMT1) Install and Training** - Dates in December have now been agreed for all DCMT1 installs for all FRSs in the Region. Training will take place at the EMRCC during week of 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Dec



## 4 Local Authority Controlled Company (LACC) Update

**Board Meeting 16 was held on 30th October 2008 when the Board discussed:**

- 4.1 Joint Key Principles for Employment Relations – the Company are keen to build on the good relationships with the Unions by developing some joint principles through the Regional Industrial Relations Officer
- 4.2 Initial Staffing Pool Information Paper – the Board received an update and approved that requests be made to the FRAs for staff for the ISP.
- 4.3 Reasonableness Criteria Procedure (final version) – the Board approved the procedure.
- 4.4 Update on Permanent Facilities Management Contract – outstanding issues remain which are being discussed with CLG.
- 4.5 Discussions with the Unions on Terms & Conditions for New Joiners – the Board has agreed to the Senior Management Team starting discussions with the Unions on this issue.
- 4.6 CLG Project Audit/Audit Commission: Assurance Review – the Board has agreed to participate in the review.
- 4.7 Organisation Structure Update – outstanding issues remain on staffing requirements for some support functions before the structure can be fully agreed.

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## FIRELINK PROJECT UPDATE

### 1. National Firelink Progress

**Phase A (Network Preparation)** – the scheduled build work is making good progress

**Phase B (Operational Rollout)** – this will start on 24 Nov in the SW Region with other regions following on.

**Phase C (Regional Control Centres)** – a prototype RCC installation is now being installed in the SW Region

### 2. Regional Firelink Progress

**Phase A Milestone Closure** – this is still in progress. Airwave have yet to submit final milestone concessions prior to the request for payment being made.

**Derbyshire FRS Phase B-** full operational Rollout will commence on the 1st December 08.

**Rest of Region Phase B** - now scheduled to commence from Feb 2009

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