



## FiReControl & Firelink PROJECT UPDATE Issue 29 : June 2009

### FIRECONTROL PROJECT UPDATE

#### 1 National FiReControl Project Update

**Health & Safety Risk Assessments** - The employers, whether FRSs or RCCs, will need to carry out and consult upon risk assessments for all new equipment, processes and procedures. In order to help smooth this process, CLG are following a model previously used for New Dimension equipment, and a group has been established including representatives of the FBU, FOA, GMB and Unison to provide input into generic risk assessments which will then be provided to the employers (FRSs and RCCs) for further development according to local / regional needs and for formal consultation. The first meeting of this group took place on 9 June.

#### **Mobile Data Terminals (MDT 1.0A)**

Firelink and FiReControl national project teams are working together on an integrated rollout plan, which envisages the first FRS being fitted with MDT1.0A from October this year. A pilot rollout in Leicestershire is being planned to commence in August. A joint FiReControl / Firelink letter has been disseminated to FRSs detailing the draft rollout schedule; and seeking feedback from FRSs to finalise the rollout plan as soon as possible. The physical rollout of MDTs will be coordinated through Firelink Regional Delivery Teams based on their practical experience of rolling out radio terminals.

#### 2 Regional FiReControl Project Update

#### **Data Collection and Migration Toolkit 2 (DCMT2)**

Derbyshire FRS has been selected to act as an "Early Adopter" for DCMT2, and is waiting for training and install dates from CLG. DCMT2 will allow FRSs to load and maintain action plans, risk information, local information files, Polygons, master directory, hydrant information and caller prompts.

#### **Ways of Working (WoW) -**

Ways of Working Introductions and Key Principles documents have started to be released to all FRSs for comment. It is important that subject matter experts in each FRS have access to these documents to review as each reviewer is asked to confirm if their FRS can deliver what is required or the information provided means they are unable to continue delivering a particular required service. CLG will review and respond to all comments provided before formally releasing the document.



## **4 Local Authority Controlled Company (LACC) Update**

The next meeting (Board Meeting 20) will take place on 30th July 2009. As a result of the local elections the Board has lost 3 Directors and the future composition of the Board is likely to change.

**If you have any questions about the FiReControl Project please contact Carole Anderson – Regional Project Manager - [Carole.Anderson@LFRS.org](mailto:Carole.Anderson@LFRS.org)**

## **FIRELINK PROJECT UPDATE**

### **1. National Firelink Progress**

**Phase B** - Firelink deliverables are slightly ahead of planned installations up to mid May and have now reached half way through the installations in England. In summary the number of vehicles installed is 4179 ( 50% ) and the number of FRS using Firelink: is 26 out of 45 ( 58%.)

### **2. Regional Firelink Progress**

**Northamptonshire FRS** - Phase B Rollout (Terminal Install) now fully completed and brings the FRS fully 'live' on the Airwave Network

**Nottinghamshire FRS** - Phase B Rollout currently paused owing to technical issues with the Cross Band Repeater. Analysis of the problem is underway with the aim to resume installs within four weeks.

**Leicestershire FRS** - Currently planning for Phase B Rollout (including Pilot MDT1a Rollout) for commencement early/mid August 09.

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