



FiReControl & Firelink PROJECT UPDATE Issue 32 : Sep 2009

FIRECONTROL PROJECT UPDATE

1 National FiReControl Project Update

Main FiReControl System - A CLG Project team, the Solution and Technical Assurance Group (STAG) is now co-located with EADS in Newport to improve communications and speed of decision making. During September, work has focussed on assessing the fallback option (Intergraph) for the Mobilisation and Resource Management System (MRMS) as a replacement for Ericsson.

Human Resources (HR) - An inaugural meeting of the LACC HR leads took place on 2 September. The group will consider the key activities for the RCCs, identify priorities, and look to see where collaboration is appropriate.

Wireless Capability in Fire Stations - An initial order of nearly 300 Wireless Access Point devices is currently progressing through CLG's Procurement Division, with an anticipated delivery date to initial MDT1a FRSs of mid- to late-October.

2 Regional FiReControl Project Update

MDT1a - Issues arising from Leicestershire's 'pilot' MDT install include data transfer speed for the loading of local mapping data on to the MDT and the need to be able to bulk load FRS data. CLG are working with EADS to resolve these issues.

MDT1a Training - FRS Trainers from Lincolnshire, Leicestershire and Derbyshire have completed the MDT1a Training course which will enable them to deliver MDT1a training to FRS end-users.

Data Collection and Migration Toolkit 1 (DCMT1) - All FRS successfully self installed the DCMT1 upgrade. This provided an updated version of the National Land & Property Gazetteer (NLPG) against which FRS can continue to match and check their current FRS gazetteer data before it is migrated into the FireControl mobilising system which will be built around the NLPG.

4 Local Authority Controlled Company (LACC) Update

Board Meeting 20 took place on 30th July 2009. As a result of the local elections the Board has changed composition and is now comprised as follows:

- Peter Makin & Les Allen - Derbyshire
- Peter Roffey & Mike Preston - Leicestershire
- Peter Robinson & Eran Bauer - Lincolnshire
- Darrell Pulk (Chair) & Penny Griggs - Nottinghamshire
- Andre Gonzalez De Savage & Allen Walker – Northamptonshire

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HR policies and procedures - a number of Policies and Procedures were presented which are to be the subject of consultation with the representative bodies. Following consultation each policy will then be brought back to the Board for approval.

Next Meeting - Board Meeting 21 will be held on 29th October 2009.

If you have any questions about the FiReControl Project please contact Carole Anderson, Regional Project Manager - Carole.Anderson@LFRS.org .

FIRELINK PROJECT UPDATE

1. National Firelink Progress

Phase B - Operational Rollout - Over 6,500 radio installs (of a total of 8,400 Nationally) has now been completed with 96% of English FRSs either converted to Firelink or in the process of conversion.

Phase C – MDT Rollout

MDT1a Pilot - Work on the MDT1a Pilot in Leicestershire commenced on 14 September and has flushed out a number of supplier interface issues.

MDT1a Rollout – Due to the need to evaluate issues exposed during the Pilot Rollout, Airwave have advised that the installation start date to all other FRSs is now to be 18th Nov (a one week slip).

2. Regional Firelink Progress

Phase B - Operational Rollout - Derbyshire, Lincolnshire & Northamptonshire FRS all now complete. Nottinghamshire has 5 vehicles (5%) yet to be installed, with a completion date currently set for 6th October and Leicestershire FRS commenced installations on 14th September.

Phase C – MDT Rollout – Leicestershire FRS were selected as the MDT1a Pilot FRS (as detailed above). Derbyshire and Lincolnshire FRS are due to commence on the 16th November and local planning is well underway. For Nottinghamshire and Northamptonshire FRS the MDT solution will be delivered later as part of MDT2.

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