

<b>Item Number</b>	<b>Item 7 – Paper 4</b>
<b>Title of Paper</b>	<b>Fire Standards Progress Report</b>
<b>Decision or Information</b>	For information
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> December 2022
<b>Presented by</b>	Fire Standards Team
<b>Attachments</b>	Appendix A - <i>Phase Two Delivery Plan Progress Summary</i> Appendix B – <i>Phase Three Delivery Plan Progress Summary</i>

## Summary

This paper provides an update on the progress that has been made in developing the Fire Standards included in Phase Two and Three.

The Board is asked to review the progress against the Phase Two and Phase Three delivery plans (*Appendices A and B*)

## Fire Standards Development – Progress Highlights

Progress made against each Fire Standard included in Phase Two since the last meeting include:

### Data Management

- It was approved by all Board members and published on 3 August 2022.
- Formal launch activities took place in September 2022.

### Leadership and People Fire Standards

- The consultation on the two Leadership and People Fire Standards was opened in June 2022 and closed on 9 September 2022.
- A review of consultation feedback took place in October 2022 and the post-consultation report and revisions were shared and signed off by the Board in November 2022.
- The Fire Standards Team have shared the Leadership and People Fire Standards with HMICFRS to support the inclusion of them within the next round of HMICFRS inspections. The Inspectorate are working to establish a good level of maturity within the Fire Standards in preparation for this.
- Independent Quality Assurance (QA) on the two standards took place throughout November and December. The QA report was submitted to the Board ahead of this

meeting which the Board has been requested to approve (referred to in Item 4, Paper 1)

Highlights since the last meeting on progress made against Fire Standards in Phase 3 are:

#### **Fire Control**

- The NFCC's Fire Control Project Executive has been identified as Ben Norman and a commissioning meeting with him took place in September 2022.
- A working group was initiated and drafting took place in September 2022.
- A peer review took place in October and November 2022 and revisions to the standard were completed in December 2022.
- The Board signed-off the standard to commence consultation which opened on the 15 December 2022 and is expected to close by the end of January

#### **Communications, Engagement and Consultation**

- NFCC's Prevention Lead Neil Odin confirmed he would act as lead for the Communications, Engagement and Consultation Fire Standard., A commissioning meeting with him took place in October 2022.
- The Chair of FirePro 1 Paul Compton and FirePro member Jack Grasby developed an initial draft of the standard in September 2022.
- A peer review took place in October and November 2022 and revisions to the standard were completed in December 2022.
- The Board signed-off the standard to commence consultation which opened on the 15 December 2022 and is expected to close by the end of January

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<sup>1</sup> FirePro is a network of communications professionals working within all UK fire and rescue services.

## Appendix A - Phase Two Development Plan Progress Summary

**Key:**

Work not started	Potential slippage on publication date or issue through development phase identified but is being managed
On track for target publication date	Issue requires Board intervention

Activity Area for Fire Standard	Stage 1 (Scoping)	Stage 2 (Development to post-consultation draft)	Stage 3 (Final governance sign off, approval)	Expected publication date (Post QA)	Summary of recent progress	Next steps
Data Management	Completed	Completed	Completed	Publication date July 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation completed Apr 22</li> <li>• Post consultation analysis completed May 22</li> <li>• Final draft and post consultation report approved by FSB Jun 22</li> <li>• Board approved QA report and Fire Standard Aug 22</li> <li>• Published Aug 22</li> <li>• Formal launch activities took place Sep 22</li> </ul>	
1. Leading the Service  2. Leading and Developing People	Completed	Completed	In progress	Publication date Dec 2022 (subject to consultation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation completed Sep 22</li> <li>• Post consultation analysis completed Oct 22</li> <li>• Final draft and post consultation report approved by FSB Nov 22</li> <li>• Submitted for QA Nov 22</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board to approve QA report and Fire Standards Dec 22</li> <li>• Publication due Dec 22</li> <li>• Consideration of relevant implementation support required Dec 22</li> </ul>

## Appendix B - Phase Three Development Plan Progress Summary

Key:

Work not started	Potential slippage on publication date or issue through development phase identified but is being managed
On track for target publication date	Issue requires Board intervention

Activity Area for Fire Standard	Stage 1 (Scoping)	Stage 2 (Development to post-consultation draft)	Stage 3 (Final governance sign off, approval)	Expected publication date (Post QA)	Summary of recent progress	Next steps
Fire Control	Completed	In Progress	Not Started	Mar 2023 (subject to consultation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commissioning meeting with NFCC Fire Control Project Executive Ben Norman took place Sep 22</li> <li>Presentation at practitioner group took place 21 Sep 22</li> <li>Working group for development established in Aug 22 and initial standard ready for peer review completed Sep 22</li> <li>Peer review completed Nov 22</li> <li>Consultation opened 14 Dec 22</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation due to complete by Jan 23</li> <li>Post consultation analysis, final draft and post consultation report approved by FSB Feb 23</li> <li>Submit for QA Feb 23</li> <li>Publication due Mar 23</li> </ul>
Communication, Engagement and Consultation	In Progress	In Progress	Not Started	Mar 2023 (subject to consultation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early draft prepared by FirePro for peer review Sep 22</li> <li>Commissioning meeting with NFCC Prevention Lead, Neil Odin took place Oct 22</li> <li>Peer review completed Nov 22</li> <li>Consultation opened 14 Dec 22</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation due to complete by Jan 23</li> <li>Post consultation analysis, final draft and post consultation report approved by FSB Feb 23</li> <li>Submit for QA Feb 23</li> <li>Publication due Mar 23</li> </ul>
Resources: Estates and Assets	Not Started	Not Started	Not started	Sep 2023		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to commence in Jan 23</li> </ul>

Activity Area for Fire Standard	Stage 1 (Scoping)	Stage 2 (Development to post-consultation draft)	Stage 3 (Final governance sign off, approval)	Expected publication date (Post QA)	Summary of recent progress	Next steps
Resources: Finance and Assurance	Not Started	Not Started	Not started	Sep 2023		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to commence in Jan 23</li> </ul>
Resources: Commercial and Procurement	Not Started	Not Started	Not started	Sep 2023		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work to commence in Jan 23</li> </ul>