HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WASTE MANAGEMENT CABINET PANEL

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COMMUNITY PROTECTION ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2014/2015

Report of the Director Community Protection

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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To provide the Cabinet Panel with an overview of Community Protection Directorate annual performance for 2014/15. The report highlights areas where the Directorate is performing well and areas for further investigation or action. Full draft report attached.
- 1.2 The Cabinet Panel are also asked to consider the format and content of the report in order that members feel suitably well informed of the wider activates of the Community Protection Directorate. As such the attached report should be considered as being a draft and amendments recommended by Cabinet Panel will be included prior to issuing the final agreed version.

2. Summary

2.1 The performance report is divided into 3 sections:

Prevent and Protect Pages 1 - 6

Plan for and Respond to Emergencies Pages 7 - 8

Be an Excellent Organisation Pages 9 - 12

- 2.2 The Community Protection Directorate performance at the end of the 2014/15 remains good with most measures being met or exceeded. 2014/15 saw large reductions in the number of commercial automatic fire alarms attended. That is directly linked to a revised policy that was put in place at the beginning of 2014.
- 2.3 There was an increase in the number of deliberate fires in 2014/2015 when compared to the previous year. However there is no obvious pattern or cause to this increase and the trend over a 5 year period remains downwards.

- 2.4 There has been an increase in the number of road accidents attended and the directorate's road safety activity with partner organisations is a key piece or educational work that focuses on new and younger drivers.
- 2.5 Members of the Cabinet Panel are asked to consider other measures that are included in the performance report and recommend that they remain in the report or make observations and recommendations of other performance measures that should be included. These include figures relating to domestic abuse, drugs and alcohol and rogue traders.

3. Recommendations

- i) Panel notes the performance of CPD to the end of 2014/15.
- ii) Panel acknowledges the content of the annual performance report for publication to the wider organisation and the general public.