



PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 29 June 2021

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| REPORT TITLE: | ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTE UPDATE |
| REPORT OF: | DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE |

Further to a briefing at the start of the municipal year the Chair and Group Spokespersons of the Partnerships Committee requested an update and presentation from the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI).

The RNLI was founded as the Royal National Institution for the Preservation of Lives and Property from Shipwreck in 1824. Thirty years later in 1854, its name was changed to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution

The RNLI charity founded upon and driven by volunteers. Volunteers make up 95% of the organisation supported by expert staff, all working together to help communities at home and abroad save lives.

The RNLI aim to be a world-leading modern emergency service, separate from the coastguard and independent from government. Working together with partners and communities, the organisation aims to educate, influence, supervise and rescue those at risk from drowning.

RECOMMENDATION/S

The Partnerships Committee is requested to note and comment on the presentation by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1.1 This report is to support the presentation supplied by RNLI Wirral and will inform the Partnerships Committee on work being undertaken by RNLI Wirral and highlight any key issues within the borough. Therefore, Members may wish to comment on or make suggestions to add to the work programme.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 Members of the Committee requested that RNLI Wirral present an update to the Committee on their work and key issues found within the borough. Therefore, no other options have been considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 This report was requested as part of work programming by the Partnerships Committee and is a result of a request from the Committee for more collaboration with partner organisations and the Third Sector.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 This report is for information purposes only and there are no financial implications.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 This report is for information purposes only and there are no legal implications.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

- 6.1 This report is for information purposes only and there are no legal implications.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

- 7.1 Members of the Partnerships Committee are keen to collaborate with partner agencies in Wirral, as well as Third Sector organisations. This is to ensure that Members are able to gain an oversight of the issues faced by residents across the borough. Failure to do this would increase the risks caused by lack of oversight or scrutiny.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

- 8.1 The Partnership Committee are committed to engagement and consultation with Wirral Council Partners to ensure that its scrutiny obligations can be discharged effectively.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Wirral Council has a legal requirement to make sure its policies, and the way it carries out its work, do not discriminate against anyone. An Equality Impact Assessment is a tool to help council services identify steps they can take to ensure equality for anyone who might be affected by a particular policy, decision or activity.
- 9.2 This report is for information purposes only and the content will be supplied by a partner agency. The Partnerships Committee is committed to ensure that the work it does has equality at its heart and does not discriminate against anyone. Any associated actions may need an Environmental Impact Assessment.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no direct environment or climate implications as result of this report. However, Wirral Council and its Committees will consider the Climate Emergency Declaration within all the work it does and will continue to incorporate this into their work programme and hold all partnerships to account.

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APPENDICES

None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Wirral Council – Partnerships Committee terms of reference.

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

| Council Meeting | Date |
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| Partnerships Committee | 9 November 2020 |