




**Shropshire and Wrekin
Fire Authority**
Integrated Risk Management
Planning
2008/09 Consultation Outcomes




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Consultation Proposals

- Relocate or Refurbishment of Shrewsbury site
- Officer Resilience
- Cultural Audit Outcomes – Addressing the outcomes




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Consultation Overview

- Staff Presentations
 - 42 Presentations to 431 members of staff
- Public Scrutiny Panels
 - 2 Panels; Ludlow and Shrewsbury
- Stakeholder Forum
 - Shrewsbury
- Questionnaires
 - 33 Completed Questionnaires returned.



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- Stakeholder Presentations
 - Shropshire Association of Local Councils (SALC)
 - North Shropshire DC
 - Shrewsbury and Atcham BC
 - Bridgnorth and Shifnal Area Committee
 - Shrewsbury and Atcham Area Committee
 - Oswestry Area Committee
 - Wrekin Area Committee

Presentation to 81 Elected Representatives





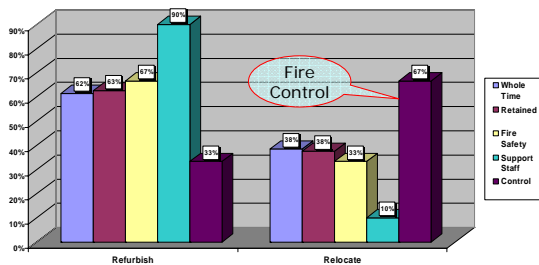
Shrewsbury Redevelop or Relocate

- Staff - All
 - No clear preference between staff
 - Better distribution of resources
- Staff - Shrewsbury
 - Majority of staff who provided a written response support for refurbishment (67%)
 - Majority support for refurbishment amongst individual staff groups based at Shrewsbury (excluding Fire Control)





SHREWSBURY STATION STAFF - Refurbishment v Relocation
(who expressed a preference)





Public & Stakeholders Consultation

Background

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- Option 2: Relocation of the station to a new site in the town centre.
- Option 3: Relocation of the station to a new site in the south of Shrewsbury.

The Authority is currently consulting on these options and would like to hear from the public and stakeholders on their views.


Public Consultation

A public consultation meeting was held on 14th October 2014 at the Ludlow Town Hall. The meeting was attended by approximately 20 members of the public and stakeholders. The meeting was chaired by the Chief Officer of SFRS, Mr. Peter Jones. The meeting was held in a room that was well lit and comfortable. The meeting was held in a room that was well lit and comfortable. The meeting was held in a room that was well lit and comfortable.

- Refurbishment the best option
- Greater value for money
- Better cover for the town centre
- Consider future development in South of Shrewsbury




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Public & Stakeholders Overall View

Overall views

- All Shrewsbury participants (public and stakeholder), as well as the majority in Ludlow, agreed that SFRS should refurbish its St Michael's Street station and relocate its workshops, stores and command functions elsewhere.
- The general sense was that refurbishment represents the greater value for money, but that certain functions must be moved in order to create much needed space at the existing site.
- Several expressed concern regarding the short-termism of refurbishment; they strongly suggested that relocation is considered for the long-term – particularly in regard to the provision of another fire station in the south of Shrewsbury.



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Staff Representatives Consultation

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One of the problems with the Shrewsbury site ...is the available space ...shared between workshops, storing appliances and parking...How refurbishing the site will remedy...is not identified. Some contingency may be needed....



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Members Working Group

- Recommendations
 - Shrewsbury
 - The option of refurbishing the existing site should be adopted
 - Officer Resilience
 - The number of Officers aligned to the Flexible Duty System is increased by 4
 - Cultural Audit
 - The Assistant Chief Officer in conjunction with the RB's continue to develop the action plan to address the areas identified in the Cultural Audit report





Members Working Group Future Timetable

- IRMP Action Plan
 - Authorise IRMP Group to
 - Update Action Plan [Jan 08]
 - Provide feedback on the outcomes of the consultation
 - Develop Programme/Project Documents [Feb 08]
 - Commence implementation [Feb 08 onwards]
 - Publish Action Plan 1 April 2008 (Website)





Thank you
Any Questions