

Risk Management Strategy Group



Purpose

The Risk Management Strategy Group (RMSG) provides strategic oversight, coordination, and assurance for all aspects of risk management across West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. Its purpose is rooted in ensuring that WYFRS maintains a robust, consistent, and continually improving approach to identifying, assessing, and managing risk at organisational level.

- Make sure the Risk Management Strategy and Policy are used properly and work well.
- Keep risk management consistent across the whole organisation, including planning and projects.
- Check how well risk management is working and ensure rules and regulations are followed.
- Oversee the main risk records to identify, assess, and prioritise all types of risks.
- Help WYFRS achieve its goals by supporting good risk management.
- Encourage ongoing improvement in managing risk, learning from experience and best practices.

The Risk Management Strategy Group (RMSG) plays a vital role in overseeing and improving risk management throughout West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service. By ensuring that the organisation's Risk Management Strategy and Policy are effectively applied, RMSG promotes consistency, compliance, and continuous improvement in risk identification, assessment, and management.

The group also supports WYFRS in achieving its objectives by maintaining strong governance and encouraging learning from best practices.

- Provide a safe, effective and resilient response to local and national emergencies.
- Focus our activities on reducing risk and vulnerability.
- Enhance the health, safety, and well-being of our people.
- Prioritise a people first mindset through ethical and professional leadership and management.
- Work with partners and communities to deliver our services.
- Use resources in an innovative, sustainable, and efficient manner to maximise value for money.
- Further develop a culture of excellence, equality, learning, and inclusion.

Membership

Deputy Chief Fire Officer – Dve Walton
Assistant Chief Fire Officer – Nick Smith
Director of People and Culture – Sonia Pawson
Director of Finance and Procurement – Alison Wood
Director of Corporate Services – Martin McCarthy
Head of Corporate Services- Alison Davey
Head of Procurement – Kim Larter
AM Service Support – Toby May
AM Service Delivery – Scott Donegan
AM Operations Support – Dave Teggart
Head of Transport and Logistics – Glynn Richardson
Head of DDAT – Nick Butterworth
Head of OHSU – Mark Dixon
Head of Estates – Dean Richardson
Cllr Karen Renshaw
SM Strategic Development – Matt Wolski