

Senior Operations Team



Purpose

The Senior Operations Team (SOT) Meeting serves as a strategic and operational decision-making forum within WYFRS.

Coordinate strategic operational decisions across the service, ensuring alignment with the Community Risk Management Plan (CRMP).

Review and approve proposals that impact operational delivery, such as changes to specialist capabilities, command support structures, and training frameworks.

Monitor and evaluate operational effectiveness, including the use of new technologies and risk-based resource deployment.

Support continuous improvement through structured feedback loops, such as reviewing the Strategic Risk Assessment and aligning with the National Risk Register.

Core Functions

- Decision Making and Governance
- Operational Oversight
- Training and Development alignment
- Risk and resilience planning
- Cross department collaboration

- 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

DCFO Dave Walton
ACFO Nick Smith
AM Service Support – Toby May
AM Service Delivery – Scott Donegan
AM Operations Support – Dave Teggart
Head of Transport and Logistics – Glynn Richardson
Head of OHSU – Mark Dixon
DC Bradford – Benjy Bush
DC Calderdale – Andy Rose
DC Kirklees – Dale Gardiner
DC Leeds – Lee Miller
DC Wakefield – Paul Daly
GM Ops Risk – Chris Hannah
GM Ops Policy – Jonny Earl
GM Strategic Development – Laura Boocock
GM ERT – Rich Hawley
GM Control – Julie Jowett
GM Training – Chris Kovacs
GM Operational Policy and Guidance