



KENT FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Kent and Medway Fire and Rescue Authority

## **Summary - Community Risk Management Delivery Plan 2025 to 2029**

## Summary of 2025-2029 CRMP

Welcome to the Kent and Medway Fire and Rescue Authority's Community Risk Management Delivery Plan covering the period 2025 to 2029. Our delivery plan sets out what we will need to plan for (our 'strategy') in the forthcoming four-year period.



## Our vision

**A future where no one is killed or seriously injured by a fire or other emergency.**

**This four-year strategy is the next step towards achieving this vision.**

**Our aim and objectives: working together, saving lives, reducing harm.**

## Strategic priorities 2025-29

Our plan is designed to deliver our strategic priorities. These have been developed to address our areas of focus, which we developed in consultation with our customers – in our publication 'Creating a safer future together: risk assessment'.

**The areas of focus are grouped under the following seven themes:**

1. Climate change and environment
2. Health and society
3. Rescues
4. Major industry
5. Buildings and places
6. Transport
7. Utilities, fuel, and power

## **Climate change and environment**

- Ensure our resources match seasonal demands and provide improved resilience during periods of high demand.
- Design specific approaches to our response and prevention work to control and mitigate wildfire risk.
- Better understand the risk of extremes of temperature and implement capabilities to be able to improve health outcomes for our customers.

## **Health and society**

- Improve our understanding of the impact our interventions are having on the mental health of our customers. Provide further training and equipment to our colleagues to support people in need, and to be able to respond safely and effectively.
- Improve our capacity and capability to assist the ambulance service in responding to medical incidents. We want to improve customer outcomes from these types of emergencies by providing timely and effective support.

## **Rescues**

- Reducing the number of deaths or injuries in inland water ways.

## **Major industry**

- Improve customer awareness of safe battery disposal and look at firefighting innovations to reduce the community and environmental impact of battery fires in waste sites.

## **Buildings and places**

- Reduce the number of fires in the home and the number of injuries and deaths occurring as a result.
- Ensure our response, Building Safety, and prevention work are designed to meet the challenges presented by alternative fuels.
- Designing our response, building safety, and prevention work to meet the challenges associated with the conversion of commercial buildings to residential homes.
- Design our response, Building Safety, and prevention work to meet the challenges associated with care homes.
- Design our response and prevention work to meet the challenges associated with the county's diverse geography.

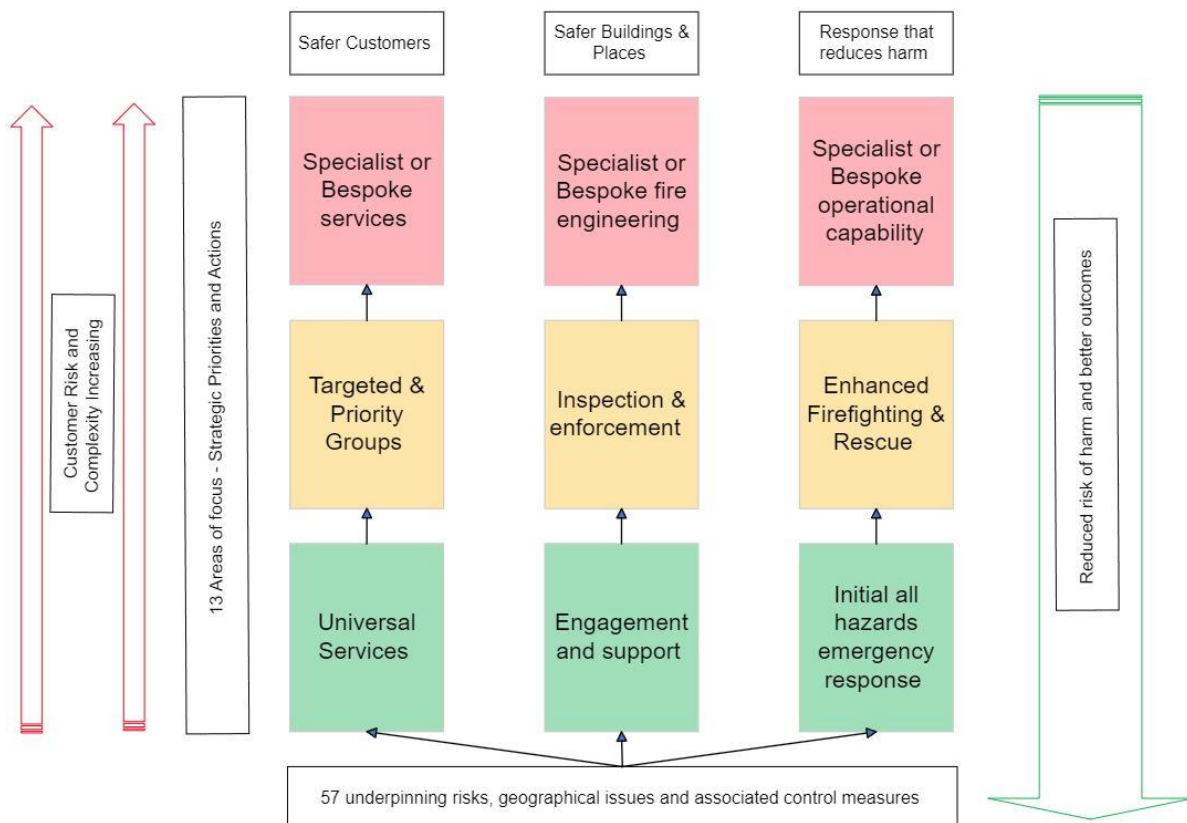
## **Transport**

- Redesign our approach and implement plans for response to fire and rescue incidents in private and commercial road vehicles considering new and evolving vehicle technologies including electric vehicles, advanced driver assistance systems and increased automation.

## Utilities, fuel and power

- Redesign our approach and implement plans for response to new and evolving commercial energy infrastructure. The plan will include our response to proposed and new sites that may provide additional risks.
- Redesign our approach and implement plans to safeguard emergency water supplies across all areas of the county and to ensure sufficient firefighting water can be consistently accessed during operational incidents.

The strategic priorities are areas where we need to do work to close the risk gap – the



model presented here is current work to meet other risks where we have established actions.