Publication of Fire and Rescue Service Efficiency Savings for SR 04 and CSR 07

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Summary
The decision to publish followed consultation with key stakeholders. Publication of annual cashable efficiency savings for FRAs and RMBs meets the principles of government’s white paper ‘Putting the Frontline First: smarter government’. This circular advises where the data can be found.

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1.0 Publication of Fire and Rescue Service Efficiency Savings

1.1 CLG has today published on its website the cumulative cashable annual efficiency savings (by heading) of each FRA, and each Fire Regional Management Board for CSR 07, together with an archive link to total cumulative savings achieved by FRAs under SR04. This meets the principles of opening up data to promote transparent and effective government set out in ‘Putting the Frontline First: smarter government’.

1.2 The data is published in an excel format and can be found at [http://www.communities.gov.uk/fire/runningfire/annualefficiencystatements/](http://www.communities.gov.uk/fire/runningfire/annualefficiencystatements/)

1.3 Please note that since 2008/09 local authorities and FRAs have been required to publish forecast savings on each authority’s Council Tax demand. This information is published on the Department’s website and can be found at: [Inclusion of efficiency information with council tax demand notices - Local government - Communities and Local Government](http://communities.gov.uk/government/notice/inclusion-of-efficiency-information-with-council-tax-demand-notices) as ‘Efficiency information to be contained in and supplied with 2010-11 Council Tax Demand Notices’. This year, that requirement was extended to police authorities. All authorities now publish their outturn efficiency savings for the prior financial year.

1.4 For any queries regarding this circular or efficiency matters please contact Diane Wallace at [diane.wallace@communities.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:diane.wallace@communities.gsi.gov.uk).

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