



Scottish Fire and Rescue

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Context

SFRS was created by the merger of Scotland's eight fire brigades in April 2013. SFRS developed a strategic intent to guide the re-profiling of its support property estate. SFT helped SFRS begin the transition from its legacy estate to an optimal operational estate.

Scope

The support estate comprises twenty four sites totalling an estimated 36,000 sq m of floorspace; including:

- National training facilities
- Control rooms
- Vehicle and equipment workshops
- ICT data centres
- Offices (national headquarters, regional and local)



Support

SFT assisted SFRS ensure that its Estates Strategy was informed and underpinned by operational need. Specific tasks included:

- Facilitated workshops with the Strategic Leadership Team to identify operational need
- Engaged Board to test link between operational need and estate options
- Assisted with procurement of independent property consultant
- Supported preparation of Strategic Intent Estates Strategy
- Supported procurement of Programme Manager to support SFRS deliver the Estates Strategy
- Ongoing support with delivery of projects within the approved Estates Strategy

'I must thank you for your excellent assistance and advice with these mammoth tasks'.

Iain Morris, Head of Asset Management, SFRS

Benefits

SFRS's recently approved Estates Strategy aims to deliver:

- A modern, fit for purpose and flexible estate which supports SFRS's work across Scotland
- Estimated annual savings on property running costs of c.£5m

SFRS progressed at pace through the preparation of its Estates Strategy and successfully secured approval within a six month period.

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