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Partnership, prediction and prevention – the 3 ‘P’s of fire safety

A clear partnership approach built on the sharing of accurate information is critical to delivering community fire safety, according to Northgate Information Solutions. In a response to the draft Fire and Rescue Service National Framework, Northgate today called for a new approach to fire safety based on the 3 ‘P’s:

- *Partnership* – ensuring that a range of public services work together to tackle fire and community safety
- *Prediction* – based on a thorough understanding of risk and the sharing of accurate information
- *Prevention* – connecting to citizens and their communities through education and information

Speaking today, David Meaden, Managing Director of Northgate Public Services, said:

“Preventing fires and promoting fire safety should not be left to the fire and rescue services alone. A co-ordinated effort by a range of public services is vital.

“All too often communities are let down by the fact that local service providers do not share intelligence and information in a timely and cost effective manner.

“An approach to fire safety that focuses on the 3 ‘P’s - partnership, prediction and prevention - will help deliver the responsive emergency services that are at the heart of every citizen’s needs.”

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Notes to editors

1. Northgate is a technology company with a difference. It is committed to high quality public services and understands the public sector. That knowledge is core to its business. Its task is to enhance public sector value through intelligent use of people and information technology systems and to share in the economic and social benefits that this brings.
2. Northgate assists local authorities and the emergency services to promote community well-being by helping them provide citizens with accessible and responsive one-stop services.

3. Northgate works with fire and rescue, police and ambulance services, helping them to reassure local people by improving response times and co-ordinating services. We work in partnership with a number of UK fire brigades to develop innovative solutions for analysing patterns of risk.