

To: All Members of the Authority



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Acting Monitoring Officer

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Date: 2 June 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **AUTHORITY** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 10TH JUNE, 2021** in the Liverpool Suite - Fire Service Headquarters at Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bridle Road, Bootle.

There are 8 socially distanced available seats in the Sefton Suite for the public to attend the meeting. These seats are available on a first come first serve basis, so please contact DemocraticServices@merseyfire.gov.uk with your details if you require one.

The meeting will be available to watch via YouTube on the following link (this may be live or may follow directly after the committee has finished): <https://youtu.be/p2me9Ln0xbU>

If there are any technical issues with the live stream, the recording of the meeting will be uploaded to Merseyside Fire & Rescue Services YouTube page after the meeting has ended.

Yours faithfully,

PP – G. Sung

Acting Monitoring Officer

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MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

AUTHORITY

10 JUNE 2021

AGENDA

1. Preliminary Matters

The Authority is requested to consider the identification of:

- a) declarations of interest by individual Members in relation to any item of business on the Agenda
- b) any additional items of business which the Chair has determined should be considered as matters of urgency; and
- c) items of business which may require the exclusion of the press and public during consideration thereof because of the possibility of the disclosure of exempt information.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 7 - 12)

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Authority, held on 20th May 2021, are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chair.

3. Election of Chair

To elect a Chair of the Authority for 2021/22.

4. Election of Vice-Chair

To elect Vice Chairs of the Authority for 2021/22.

5. Membership of the Authority 2021-22 (Pages 13 - 16)

To consider Report CFO/030/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the changes to the membership of the Authority for 2021/22.

6. Structure of the Authority 2021-22 (Pages 17 - 26)

To consider Report CFO/031/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, to

- (a) inform Members of:
 - (i) the minimum legal structure of the Authority
 - (ii) the existing decision making structure of the Authority; and
 - (iii) optional variations to the existing structure
- (b) request that the Authority determines an appropriate decision

- making structure for 2021/22; and
- (c) request that arrangements are made for the appointment of Committees, the nomination of Chairs, the determination of the powers and duties of Committees, the appointment of Members to Committees; and Special Responsibility Roles.

7. **MFRA Report for Constitution 2021-22** (Pages 27 - 232)

To consider Report CFO/032/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning Members approval of the draft amended Constitution for Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (the Authority) for 2021/22.

8. **Authority Meeting Dates For 2021-22 & 2022-23** (Pages 233 - 240)

To consider Report CFO/0033/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the draft dates for Authority Committee meetings and events for 2021/22 and note the draft provisional dates for 2022/23.

9. **Members Allowance Payments 2020-21** (Pages 241 - 246)

To consider Report CFO/029/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning payments made to Members in the form of allowances, during the financial year 2020/21.

10. **Scheme of Members Allowances 2021-22** (Pages 247 - 266)

To consider Report CFO/034/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the current Scheme of Members' Allowances; and to make recommendations on any changes it wishes to make to the Scheme.

11. **Questions on discharge of functions** (Pages 267 - 268)

To consider Report CFO/035/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning nominating a Member from each of the five constituent District Councils as the Members responsible for answering questions in their Council on the discharge of the functions of the Authority.

12. **Appointment of Members to Outside Bodies** (Pages 269 - 272)

To consider Report CFO/036/21 of Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the outside organisations to which it is currently affiliated; and to request where appropriate, confirmation of continuing the affiliation for 2021/22 and the appointment of representatives to those organisations.

13. **Approved Conference and Outside Meetings** (Pages 273 - 274)

To consider Report CFO/037/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the attendance at conferences and outside meetings by representatives of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority and confirm their approval for such attendance as determined by the Chair of the Authority.

14. Meetings with National Politicians at Party Political Conferences
(Pages 275 - 276)

To consider Report CFO/038/21 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning the attendance of Members at meetings held at the location of party political conferences, in order to make Authority related representations in line with the Members Scheme of Allowances.

15. Firefighter Pension Schemes - McCloud/Sargeant Ruling - Treatment of HO Informal Guidance on Treatment of 'Immediate Detriment'
(Pages 277 - 292)

To consider Report CFO/020/21 of the Director of Finance, concerning how the Authority may wish to implement the Home Office 'Immediate Detriment' informal guidance and the risks faced by the Authority and the eligible FPS members by implementing this informal guidance in advance of having all the required information and systems in place.

16. SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN 2020-21 END OF YEAR REPORT (Pages 293 - 380)

To consider Report CFO/028/21 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning performance against the objectives and the performance targets/outcomes as set out in the Service Delivery Plan 2020/21. In addition, the Integrated Risk Management Plan actions and the HMICFRS action plan are reported twice a year and are included in this end of year Service Delivery Plan report.

If any Members have queries, comments or require additional information relating to any item on the agenda please contact Committee Services and we will endeavour to provide the information you require for the meeting. Of course this does not affect the right of any Member to raise questions in the meeting itself but it may assist Members in their consideration of an item if additional information is available.

Refreshments

Any Members attending on Authority business straight from work or for long periods of time, and require a sandwich, please contact Democratic Services, prior to your arrival, for arrangements to be made.