REPORT TO:	MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY ANNUAL MEETING
DATE:	9TH JUNE, 2010
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REPORTING OFFICER:	CLERK TO THE AUTHORITY
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SUBJECT:	SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS

APPENDIX   A   TITLE   POWERS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS

ATTACHED - HARD COPY

Purpose of Report

1.   To request the Authority to confirm the Scheme of Delegation of Powers to Officers.

Recommendation

2.   That the Authority:

(1)   approves the Scheme of Delegation to Officers as specified in Appendix A to this report.

(2)   approves the inclusion of this Scheme of Delegation within one overall constitution for the Authority (which will be supplied to all Members and made available on the internet).

Introduction & Background

Information

3.   The Authority is in practical terms unable to make every decision itself, and therefore has specific statutory powers to delegate decisions to Committees and Officers.

4.   It is therefore appropriate that a Scheme of Delegation of Powers is granted to Officers to enable them to undertake their roles.

5.   The proposed Scheme of Delegation is attached as Appendix A and provides for delegation as appropriate, to the statutory officers, members of ELT and CLT as well as to other staff of the Authority.

6.   It is proposed that this Scheme of Delegation is incorporated into a single constitution for the Authority, to comply with the Local Government Act 2000 and Associated Guidance.

Equality & Diversity Implications

7.   None arising from this report.

Financial Implications & Value for Money

8.   None arising from this report.

Health & Safety and Environmental Implications

9.   None arising from this report.

Contribution to Achieving the Vision:
        "To Make Merseyside a Safer, Stronger, Healthier Community"

10. By agreeing the Scheme of Delegated Powers to Officers, the Authority can ensure that the appropriate Officer utilises their skills and expertise ensuring the correct action is implemented.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.