

MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

4TH OCTOBER 2012

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 Previous Meeting – Part 1

The proceedings of the last meeting of the Authority held on 31st July 2012 are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chairman.

3. Audio Recordings Of Authority Meetings (CFO/119/12)

To consider the attached Report CFO/119/12 of the Clerk To The Authority concerning the recommendations of the Executive Leadership Board to no longer have audio recordings of any meetings of the Authority.

4. Council Tax Benefit Localisation Scheme (Sefton) (CFO/127/12) Appendix A, B1, B2, B3

To consider the attached Report CFO/127/12 of the Deputy Chief Executive concerning the proposed local Council Tax Benefit Scheme for Sefton Council.

5. [**Council Tax Benefit Localisation Scheme \(Liverpool\)**](#)
(CFO/128/12)
[**Appendix A, B**](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/128/12 of the Deputy Chief Executive concerning the proposed local Council Tax Benefit Scheme for Liverpool City Council.

6. [**Council Tax Benefit Localisation Scheme \(St. Helens\)**](#)
(CFO/133/12)
[**Appendix A, B1, B2, B3**](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/133/12 of the Deputy Chief Executive concerning the proposed local Council Tax Benefit Scheme for St. Helens Council.

7. [**Council Tax Benefit Localisation Scheme \(Knowsley\)**](#)
(CFO/134/12)
[**Appendix A, B**](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/134/12 of the Deputy Chief Executive concerning the proposed local Council Tax Benefit Scheme for Knowsley Council.

8. [**Community Right To Challenge**](#)
(CFO/141/12)
[**Appendix A, B, C, D**](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/141/12 of the Clerk To The Authority concerning the Community Right To Challenge brought into force under the Localism Act 2011.

9. [**Five Year Business Intelligence Report**](#)
(CFO/131/12)
[**Appendix A**](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/131/12 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning fire related performance across Merseyside over the past 5 years.

10. [Five Year Review Of Fatalities In Accidental Dwelling Fires](#)
(CFO/135/12)
[Appendix A, B](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/135/12 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning fatalities occurring in accidental dwelling fires during the fiscal year 2011/12 and historical analysis of fatality data.

11. [Public Consultation And Engagement – Centralised Coordination And Support](#)
(CFO/139/12)

To consider the attached Report CFO/139/12 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning the proposed adoption of a centralised approach to the development of public consultation and engagement plans.

12. [Operational Assessment Overview](#)
(CFO/132/12)

To consider the attached Report CFO/132/12 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning the Operational Assessment Review currently taking place and the Peer Challenge visit that will take place from 19th to 22nd November 2012.

13. [Operational Policy Review](#)
(CFO/129/12)
[Appendix A, B](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/129/12 of the Chief Fire Officer concerning a review of the Operational Planning and Operational Training Policies.

14. [Impact Of Budget Cuts On The Dynamic Reserve](#)
(CFO/140/12)
[Appendix A, B, C, D](#)

To consider the attached Report CFO/140/12 of the Chief Fire Officer concerning an update on the impact of years 1 and 2 of the spending review on the dynamic reserve (appliance availability).

15. Conferences

To consider attendance by Members at the following LGA Conference:

- ***Rising To The Challenge: Developing New Community Safety Business Models In The Public Sector*** – Wednesday 7th November 2012, Local Government House, London.

PART 2 – EXEMPT ITEMS

16. Minutes Of The Previous Meeting – Part 2 EXEMPT

Part 2 – Agenda Items 8 and 9 of the proceedings of the last meeting of the Authority held on 31st July 2012 are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chairman.

This Minute contains EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s) 2, 3 & 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

17. Application For Early Release Of Pension (CFO/144/12)

To consider the attached Report CFO/144/12 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer concerning an application for early release of pension.

This report contains EXEMPT information by virtue of paragraph(s) 2 & 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

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.