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To: All Members of the Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee
(and any other Members who may wish to attend)



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Date: 16th September 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **JOINT FIRE & POLICE COLLABORATION COMMITTEE** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2019** in the Liverpool Suite - Fire Service Headquarters.

Yours faithfully,

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Clerk to the Authority

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MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY
JOINT FIRE & POLICE COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

24 SEPTEMBER 2019

AGENDA

Members

Les Byrom
Brian Kenny,
James Roberts
Lynne Thompson

1. Preliminary matters

The Committee 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 5 - 8)

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Joint Fire and Police Collaboration Committee held on 21st February 2019, are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the chair.

3. Verbal Update - Collaboration

To provide a verbal update regarding collaboration between Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service and Merseyside Police following the Bluelight Programme Board held on 22nd July 2019.

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.

MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

21 FEBRUARY 2019

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Leslie T. Byrom CBE (Chair) Councillors Jane Kennedy, Sharon Sullivan and Lynne Thompson

Also Present:

Apologies of absence were received from: Emily Spurrell

1. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Prior to the start of the meeting, information regarding general housekeeping was provided by the Chair to all in attendance.

The Chair confirmed to all present that the proceedings of the meeting would be filmed and requested that any members of the public present who objected to being filmed, make themselves known.

No members of the public voiced any objection therefore the meeting was declared open and recording commenced.

2. Preliminary Matters

Members considered the identification of declarations of interest, any urgent additional items, and any business that may require the exclusion of the press and public.

Resolved that:

- a) no declarations of interest were made by individual Members in relation to any item of business on the Agenda
- b) no additional items of business to be considered as matters of urgency were determined by the Chair; and
- c) no items of business required the exclusion of the press and public during consideration thereof, due to the possible disclosure of exempt information.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

As this was the first meeting of the Committee since it was re-constituted, there were no previous Minutes for approval.

4. Membership of the Committee

Members considered the Membership of the re-constituted Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee.

Members Resolved that:

The Membership of the Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee, be approved as follows:

- Cllr Les Byrom – Chair of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority **(Chair)**
- Cllr Sharon Sullivan – Vice-Chair of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority
- Cllr Lynne Thompson – Opposition Member Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority
- Ms Jane Kennedy – Police & Crime Commissioner for Merseyside
- Ms Emily Spurrell – Deputy Police & Crime Commissioner for Merseyside

5. Terms of Reference for Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee

Members considered the attached draft Terms of Reference for the re-constituted Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee.

Members Resolved that:

The draft Terms of Reference for the Joint Fire & Police Collaboration Committee, be approved.

6. Collaboration Update – Verbal

Members were provided with a verbal update by the Deputy Chief Fire Officer on collaboration between Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service and Merseyside Police.

Members were informed that the Deputy Chief Fire Officer and the Deputy Chief Constable are both new in post; and have been tasked with leading on collaboration between MFRS and Merseyside Police and co-chairing the joint Project Group.

Members were advised that the Project Group met recently, to review the collaborative activity to date; and consider further scope for collaboration moving forward.

They were informed that there are ten key areas of the collaboration review; and there is a lead officer appointed from MFRA and Merseyside Police for each of these areas.

Members were informed that the lead officers have now been tasked with working together to take stock of what collaborative activity has taken place to date; and identify where things may head moving forward, with regards to each area. They were advised that the lead officers will present their findings and proposals back to the Project Board, at its next meeting in approximately 3 months' time.

With regards to collaboration around shared estate, Members were advised that MFRA and Merseyside Police are collaborating at Prescott Community Fire Station; and that there are potential collaboration opportunities with regards to facilities at the Training & Development Academy.

Collaboration activity between the Operational Planning Teams for each organisation, is also progressing well.

Members were informed that with regards to Operational Response, there are various potential work streams under consideration, such as assisting with missing persons.

In relation to Community Safety, Members were advised that options for improved collaboration between MFRA's Incident Investigation Team and Merseyside Police's Investigation Team, are currently being considered.

In addition, they were informed that further collaboration between Control rooms, is also under consideration.

Comments were made regarding the detail of the presentations back to the Project Board; and it was suggested that an informal session be arranged for Members of the Committee, so that they can be sighted on some of the detail around potential collaboration opportunities.

The Chair of the Committee commented that he was keen to try to get North West Ambulance Service (NWAS) involved in the process, if possible.

Members Resolved that:

- a) The content of the verbal update, be noted.
- b) An informal session be arranged for Members of the Committee, concerning further collaboration opportunities identified.

7. Schedule/ Frequency of Meetings

The Committee considered the proposed future dates for this Committee as contained within the attached report CFO/006/19, considered and agreed at the Community Safety Committee on 5th February 2019.

Members were informed that three further potential dates have been scheduled, however it is up to this Committee to decide on the number and frequency of meetings.

The Chair suggested that the dates scheduled be kept as place holders; and it can be decided nearer the time if the meeting is required or not.

It was also suggested that one of the dates scheduled, could be utilised for the informal session requested.

Members Resolved that:

- a) The proposed dates be kept in diaries, with a decision made nearer each meeting, as to whether it is required.
- b) One of the proposed dates be utilised for an informal session regarding potential collaboration opportunities.

Prior to the close of the meeting, the Chair of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority thanked the PCC, on behalf of MFRA, for all her work and support around collaboration between the two organisations.

Close

Date of next meeting Tuesday, 24 September 2019