

To: All Members of the Authority



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Date: 7 October 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **AUTHORITY** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 2020**, virtually via Zoom.

The proceedings of the meeting can be viewed via the link below:

<https://youtu.be/ZKL88rwIMdU>

Yours faithfully,



Clerk to the Authority

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MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

AUTHORITY

15 OCTOBER 2020

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 - 18)

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Authority, held on 11th June 2020, are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chair.

3. Change of Membership of the Authority 2020/21 (Pages 19 - 22)

To consider Report CFO/050/20 of the Acting Monitoring Officer concerning a change to the membership of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority (MFRA) for the remainder of the 2020/21 Municipal Year, following the Annual General Meeting of Wirral Borough Council.

4. Change in Political Balance of MFRA for 2020/21 (Pages 23 - 28)

To consider Report CFO/051/20 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning a change in the political balance of MFRA for the remainder of the 2020/21 Municipal Year, as a result of changes within Wirral Borough Council, at its AGM on 28th September 2020.

5. Amendments to Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority's Constitution 2020/21 (Pages 29 - 32)

To consider Report CFO/056/20 of the Acting Monitoring Officer, concerning proposed amendments to Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority's Constitution 2020/21.

6. **Donation of 2 Scania B Type Appliances** (Pages 33 - 36)
To consider Report CFO/054/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning the donation of appliances.
 7. **Fire Protection Government Grant Funding** (Pages 37 - 56)
To consider Report CFO/053/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning grant funding received from Government to drive improvement in the Authority's Protection function.
 8. **Reservists** (Pages 57 - 66)
To consider Report CFO/052/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning the success of the Authority's policies supporting staff who wish to be part of the Reserved Armed Forces and consideration of expanding the limits currently in place for number of registered reservists.
 9. **Agile Working Policy** (Pages 67 - 74)
To consider Report CFO/057/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning work undertaken during the last government lockdown period, the flexibilities attained through staff working differently, and to recommend acceptance of an Authority Policy on Agile Working to continue to allow staff to work flexibly and efficiently
 10. **COVID-19 MFRS update** (Pages 75 - 102)
To consider Report CFO/049/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning activity that has taken place in Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (MFRA) since the last COVID-19 update in May and to set out the situation at the time of writing (in September).
 11. **TDA Development** (Pages 103 - 108)
To consider Report CFO/055/20 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning the development of a Training Development Academy ('TDA') and fire station on a new site rather than develop the existing site.
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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.