To: All Members of the Authority

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Your ref:

Our ref HP/NP

Date: 23 August 2013

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the <u>AUTHORITY</u> to be held at <u>1.00 pm</u> on <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>3RD SEPTEMBER</u>, <u>2013</u> in the Wirral Suite at Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bridle Road, Bootle.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the Authority

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MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

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3 SEPTEMBER 2013

AGENDA

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. <u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u> (Pages 1 - 6)

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Authority, held on 27th June 2013, are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chair.

3. <u>Minutes of the Member Development Group 13 Aug 2013</u> (Pages 7 - 12)

To note the Minutes of the last meeting of the Member Development Group held on 13th August 2013; and consider approval of the recommendations contained within.

4. Appointment Of Co-Opted Member And Independent Person (Pages 13 - 22)

(CFO/099/13)

To consider Report CFO/099/13 of the Clerk to the Authority, concerning the recommendations of the Interview Panel in relation to the proposed candidates for appointment to the roles of Co-Opted Member and Independent Person.

5. <u>Staff Travel Plan - Feedback from Task & Finish Group</u> (Pages 23 - 48) (CFO/086/13)

To consider Report CFO/086/13 of the Clerk to the Authority on behalf of the Task & Finish Group concerning feedback from the Task & Finish Group established to scrutinise the Staff Travel Plans.

6. MFRA Response To Liverpool City Region Governance Review (Pages 49 - 96)

(CFO/106/13)

To consider Report CFO/105/13 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning the proposed response to the Liverpool City Region governance review consultation exercise.

7. <u>Local Government Financial Settlement 2014/15 and 2015/16 - Technical Consultation</u> (Pages 97 - 128)

(CFO/105/13)

To consider Report CFO/105/13 of the Deputy Chief Executive concerning a technical consultation paper on the Local Government Finance Settlement for 2014/15 and 2015/16 which was released by the Government on July 25th.

8. <u>Impact Of The Government Finance Announcement</u> (Pages 129 - 136) (CFO/103/13)

To consider Report CFO/103/13 of the Deputy Chief Executive, concerning the Government announcement regarding the level of grant it will provide to the Authority for the financial years of 2014/15 and 2015/16.

9. <u>A Strategic Overview Of Estates - Identification Of Key Priorities</u> (Pages 137 - 168)

(CFO/102/13)

To consider Report CFO/102/13 of the Deputy Chief Executive, concerning a review of the property portfolio of the Authority and recommendations for savings in light of the forecast significant reductions in funding.

Outcomes Of The Resolution Advisory Panel (To Follow) (CFO/107/13)

To consider report CFO/107/13 of the Chief Fire Officer concerning the outcomes of the Resolution Advisory Panel.

11. <u>Verbal Update - Outcome Of National FBU Ballot Regarding Pensions</u>

To consider a Verbal Update by the Chief Fire Officer, concerning the outcome of the national FBU ballot regarding pensions.

12. MFRA Public And Private Partnership Venture (Pages 169 - 172)(CFO/104/13)

To consider Report CFO/104/13 of the Deputy Chief Executive, concerning a public/ private partnership.

This Report contains EXEMPT information by virtue of Paragraph 3 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.