

MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE

11 JULY 2013

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Linda Maloney (Chair) Councillors Vi Bebb,
Jimmy Mahon, Jean Stapleton and Les Byrom

Apologies of absence were received from: Councillors
John Kelly, Barbara Murray, Tony Newman and
Lesley Rennie

1. Preliminary matters

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

- a) there were no declarations of interest by individual Members in relation to any item of business of the agenda;
- b) there were no additional items of business which the Chair had determined to be considered as matters of urgency;
- c) there were no items of business which required 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

As this was the first meeting of the Community Safety & Protection Committee for 2013/14, there were no Minutes of previous meetings for consideration and approval.

3. CFOA National Road Safety Awareness Week

(CFO/083/13)

Members considered Report CFO/083/13 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the success of the Chief Fire Officer's Association National Road Safety Awareness week in May 2013.

Members Resolved:

That the content of the report be noted.

4. Winter Warm Emergency Heating Initiative

(CFO/085/13)

Members considered Report CFO/085/13 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the Winter Warm Emergency Heating Project and delivery method for 2013/14.

Members Resolved:

- (a) That the content of the report be noted.
- (b) That a report be brought back to a future meeting of the Committee;
 - i. concerning initiatives and services currently provided through external funding; and
 - ii. highlighting the impact that cuts to this funding may have on the Authority's ability to continue providing such services and initiatives to the community.

5. Hate Crime Policy

(CFO/084/13)

Members considered Report CFO/084/13 and associated Equality Impact Assessment of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the implementation of a Hate Crime Policy.

Members Resolved:

That the introduction of the Hate Crime Policy (attached as Appendix A); and subsequent Service Instructions relating to hate crime, Safe Havens, target hardening and arson incident recording, be approved.

6. National Resilience Assurance of MFRA USAR Capability

Members considered Report CFO/087/13 of the Chief Fire Officer, concerning a summary of the findings determined by the National Resilience Assurance Team (NRAT), following their recent assurance and audit of Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority's Urban Search And Rescue (USAR) Capability.

Members Resolved:

- (a) The content of the report be noted.
- (b) The appreciation of the Committee to all staff involved in the audit, be formally recorded.
- (c) The thanks and appreciation of the Committee to all involved in the recent UKRO Challenge, which proved to be a huge success, be placed on record.

Close

Date of next meeting Thursday, 17 October 2013