

**To: All Members of the Policy and Resources Committee
(and any other Members who may wish to attend)**



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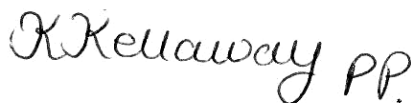
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Date: 19 July 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 27TH JULY, 2017** in the Liverpool 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

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

27 JULY 2017

AGENDA

Members

Joe De'Asha, St Helens
Barbara Murray
Lesley Rennie
James Roberts
Les Byrom (Chair)
Jean Stapleton
Sharon Sullivan
Edna Finneran

1. Preliminary Matters

Members are 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 - 10)

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee, held on 23rd March 2017, are submitted for approval as a correct record and for signature by the Chair.

3. Grant Thornton - Audit Findings 2016/17 (Pages 11 - 42)

To consider a presentation from the Authority's External Auditor – Grant Thornton, on the audit findings for 2016/17.

4. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17** (Pages 43 - 52)

To consider Report CFO/044/17 of the Treasurer, concerning the activities of the Treasury Management operation and actual performance against the agreed Prudential Indicators in 2016/17. This report meets the requirements of the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. The Authority is required to comply with both Codes through Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.

5. **THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2016/2017** (Pages 53 - 80)

To consider Report CFO/045/17 of the Treasurer, concerning the Authority's Annual Governance Statement. This statement fulfils the Authority's statutory requirement to prepare a statement of internal control in accordance with proper practices, and to present an annual review of the effectiveness of the current system.

6. **REVENUE & CAPITAL OUTTURN 2016/17** (Pages 81 - 102)

To consider Report CFO/049/17 of the Treasurer, concerning the Authority's year-end financial position for 2016/17.

7. **statement of accounts 2016/17 - authorisation for issue** (Pages 103 - 228)

To consider Report CFO/048/17 of the Treasurer, concerning the audited 2016/17 Statement of Accounts for approval and authorisation for issue.

8. **CORPORATE RISK REGISTER DEC-MAR 17** (Pages 229 - 254)

To consider Report CFO/050/17 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the current risks contained within the Corporate Risk Register, the status of the risks and associated control measures - including reference to any new risks introduced or any risks that no longer apply and can be removed.

9. **Review of Safeguarding Policy & Procedures** (Pages 255 - 286)

To consider Report CFO/051/17 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the review of Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority's (MFRA) Safeguarding policies and procedures.

10. Representation of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Merseyside on Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (Pages 287 - 290)

To consider Report CFO/052/17 of the Clerk to the Authority, concerning the appointment of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Merseyside to Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority.

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.