MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY			
MEETING OF THE:	AUTHORITY (AGM)		
DATE:	13 JUNE 2017	REPORT NO:	CFO/030/17
PRESENTING OFFICER	MONITORING OFFICER		
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TITLE OF REPORT:	MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUTHORITY 2017/18		

APPENDICES:	

### **Purpose of Report**

1. To inform Members of the changes to the membership of the Authority for 2017/18.

#### Recommendation

2. That Members note the content of this report.

## Introduction and Background

- 3. The following changes to the Membership of the Authority have occurred:-
  - The Appointment of Councillor Linda Maloney, from St. Helens Council, ended as a result of decisions taken within St. Helens Council over representation on the Authority.
  - The Appointment of Councillor Veronica McNeill, from Knowsley Council, ended as a result of decisions taken within Knowsley Council over representation on the Authority.
- 4. The Constituent District Councils have notified the Authority of the Appointments to the Authority for the Municipal Year 2017/18, as follows:-

#### (a) Knowsley (2 Members):-

- Councillor Denise Allen (Labour)
- Councillor Edna Finneran (Labour)

# (b) Liverpool (6 Members):-

- Councillor Dave Hanratty (Labour)
- Councillor Peter Brennan (Labour)
- Councillor Sharon Connor (Labour)
- Councillor Barbara Murray (Labour)
- Councillor James Roberts (Labour)
- Councillor Sharon Sullivan (Labour)

### (c) St. Helens (2 Members):-

- Councillor Joe De'Asha (Labour)
- Councillor Lynne Clarke (Labour)

## (d) Sefton (4 Members):-

- Councillor Leslie Byrom (Labour)
- Councillor Janet Grace (Labour)
- Councillor Paul Tweed (Labour)
- Councillor Marianne Welsh (Liberal Democrat)

# (e) Wirral (4 Members):-

- Councillor Brian Kenny (Labour)
- Councillor Christine Meaden (Labour)
- Councillor Lesley Rennie (Conservative)
- Councillor Jean Stapleton (Labour)
- 5. The political balance of the Authority is 16 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat; and 1 Conservative. Political balance issues are considered in a separate report relating to the structure of the Authority, which is also presented for consideration at this meeting.

#### **Equality and Diversity Implications**

6. There are no equality and diversity implications directly associated with this report. Elected Members are nominated by their Councils to the Fire and Rescue Authority.

#### Staff Implications

7. Democratic Services administer the meetings of the Authority and deal with Members' queries and travel and accommodation issues.

# **Legal Implications**

8. The political balance of the Authority is important as it must be reflected across all of the Authority's committees.

### Financial Implications & Value for Money

9. There is a Members' Allowance Scheme which is the subject of another report on this Agenda. There are no additional costs relevant to the content of this report.

# Risk Management, Health & Safety, and Environmental Implications

 There are no direct risk management, health and safety or environmental implications relevant to this report.

Contribution to Our Mission: Safer Stronger Communities - Safe Effective Firefighters

11. Elected Members are nominated to Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority to represent the best interests of the communities of Merseyside.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**