

<b>MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY</b>			
<b>MEETING OF THE:</b>	<b>AUTHORITY</b>		
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>21 MAY 2020</b>	<b>REPORT NO:</b>	<b>CFO/014/20</b>
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<b>OFFICERS CONSULTED:</b>			
<b>TITLE OF REPORT:</b>	<b>HMICFRS SELF ASESMENT 2020</b>		
<b>APPENDICES:</b>	<b>APPENDIX 1: MFRS SELF ASSESSMENT</b>		

### **Purpose of Report**

1. To request that Members note the content of the completed HMICFRS inspection self-assessment template for Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service (appendix 1).

### **Recommendation**

2. That Members note the 2020 HMICFRS inspection self-assessment prepared by the Chief Fire Officer and submitted to HMICFRS as part of round two of the inspection process.
3. That members also note the self-assessment was produced and submitted earlier in the year as a precursor to the Inspection of the Service and before the cessation of the Inspection process due to COVID19.

### **Introduction and Background**

4. Members will recall that a self-assessment is a key initial phase of fire and rescue service inspection and MFRS has now submitted its self-assessment for the 2020 inspection to HMICFRS. The self-assessment is attached at appendix 1.
5. The self-assessment template was more focused than for round one of the inspection in 2018, with Services asked to comment only on developments since the last inspection and only in relation to the following questions:
  - What key changes have there been for your FRS since the last inspection – e.g. governance, funding, staffing?
  - What action has the FRS taken in response to any causes of concern or areas for improvement identified during the last inspection?
  - What are the FRS's priorities for the coming year?

- What action is the FRS taking in response to any of the recommendations from the Grenfell Tower Inquiry Phase 1 report?
  - Please include any other information that you feel would be useful to the inspectors to provide context for the operation of the FRS and its current performance.
6. The self-assessment will now be used to develop a presentation for the strategic briefing, which was due to take place before the Fieldwork visit in July 2020.

### **Equality and Diversity Implications**

7. There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report. The self-assessment itself refers to several examples of ED&I related developments that have taken place since the last inspection.

### **Staff Implications**

8. There are no staff and diversity implications arising from this report. The self-assessment itself refers to several examples of staff engagement related developments that have taken place since the last inspection.

### **Legal Implications**

9. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

### **Financial Implications & Value for Money**

10. There are no financial implications arising from his report. The self-assessment itself refers to several examples of efficiency and value for money related developments that have taken place since the last inspection.

### **Risk Management, Health & Safety, and Environmental Implications**

11. There are no risk management, health and safety or environmental implications arising from this report.

### **Contribution to Our Mission: *Safer Stronger Communities – Safe Effective Firefighters***

12. The self-assessment sets out numerous examples of how the work of MFRS has benefited Merseyside communities since the last inspection.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

