

MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY			
MEETING OF THE:	FULL AUTHORITY		
DATE:	15TH OCTOBER 2020	REPORT NO:	CFO/054/20
PRESENTING OFFICER	CHIEF FRE OFFICER		
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	AM PAUL MURPHY	REPORT AUTHOR:	BERNIE SULLIVAN
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TITLE OF REPORT:	DONATION OF MFRA FIRE APPLIANCES		

APPENDICES:		
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Purpose of Report

1. To request that Members approve the donation of the Fire Appliances identified within this report.

Recommendation

2. That Members
 - a. Approve the donation of one Scania B Type appliance to Operation Sabre.
 - b. Approve the donation of one Scania B Type appliance to St Johns Corps, Malta.

Introduction and Background

3. The two appliances have come to the end of their life for use within the Authority's asset management and will require disposal of. It should be noted that the vehicles are 18 years old and have a very low residual value to the authority.
4. Of the two B Type 2002 plated Scania appliances. It is recommended one to be donated to Operation Sabre and one to be donated to Malta St John Corps. These are two charities which the Authority has supported in the past when vehicles come to their end of life within the authority.
5. The donation of appliances to charities assists them in their need for resources whilst reduces the security risk of the use of the appliance with the donation being documented and relevant details being obtained as to its location and use.
6. The Transport Manager has been approached by both Ops Sabre and St Johns Corps Malta to ask if there are any vehicles the Authority would be able to donate.

7. The appliances will be collected from MFRA workshops by the charities... Both vehicles will be inspected by the charities representatives to confirm they are content to accept the vehicles and that they have the required insurances in place prior to removing the appliances from Authority premises.

Equality and Diversity Implications

8. Vehicles that are being donated are to recognised charities that MFRA have donated to in the past with no E&D issues. MFRA consider E&D with all donation requests.

Staff Implications

9. None

Legal Implications

10. Any donation of vehicles are completed under a legal agreement with a restriction on transferring ownership to another unknown registered keeper and disposal procedures to ensure compliance with relevant legislation and NFCC guidance on vehicle security.
11. The Authority cannot legally contract out of death or personal injury therefore there will always be a risk when passing on vehicles or equipment once the Authority no longer requires them. However, such risks can be mitigated through an agreement with an accurate representation of the vehicles and their condition prior to sale or donation.
12. Any donation or sale of vehicles under an agreement will detail when the title and risk passes over to ensure that the vehicles are adequately insured by the relevant party.

Financial Implications & Value for Money

13. The appliances listed have a scrap value of around £1000 each.
14. There are no other financial implications due to all vehicles being at their end of life cycle with MFRA.

Risk Management, Health & Safety, and Environmental Implications

15. The vehicles will be donated to recognised charities and those sold will be through approved companies with a proven track record of disposing of emergency vehicles.
16. There is a risk in providing an emergency vehicle to a third party when the Authority no longer requires the asset with the recommendation by NFCC to

scrap and break up at their end of life to reduce the security risks. Any risks should be mitigated with the removal of livery and Authority markings and a full audit trail of the disposal to the other party with as appropriate prohibited use of the vehicle as an emergency vehicle.

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

20. MFRA have the corporate responsibility of disposing of vehicles through secure systems and ensuring environmental methods of disposal are utilised. Thus having little or no impact on our community.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

21. N/A

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

22. N/A