

# **MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**23 AUGUST 2021**

## **MINUTES**

**Present:** Cllr Leslie T. Byrom CBE (Chair)  
Cllr James Roberts  
Cllr Lynne Thompson  
Cllr Brian Kenny  
Cllr Lesley Rennie

**Also Present:** Phil Garrigan, Ian Cummins

**Apologies of absence were received from:**

### **1. Preliminary Matters**

Members considered the identification of any declarations of interest, matters of urgency or items that would require the exclusion of the press and public due to the disclosure of exempt information.

Members resolved that:

- a) no declaration of interest where made by individual Members in relation to any item of business on the Agenda.
- b) no additional items of business were determined by the Chair to be considered as matters of urgency; and
- c) the following item of business required the exclusion of the press and public during consideration thereof, due to the possible disclosure of exempt information:

**ITEM 2 - Allocation of the responsibilities for the role of Monitoring Officer.**

### **2. ALLOCATION OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ROLE OF MONITORING OFFICER**

Members considered Report CFO/051/21 of the Chief Fire Officer concerning, the statutory duties and responsibilities of the role of Monitoring Officer for the Authority be attached to the role Head of Legal Services and therefore appoint Ria Groves as the Monitoring Officer

Members commented that the role was working well.

Members resolved that:

- a) the content of the report, be noted; and

- b) the allocation of the duties and responsibilities of Monitoring Officer to the current role of Head of Legal Services, and appointment of Ria Groves as the Monitoring Officer be approved.

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