

# MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

## REVIEW REPORT TO THE

## PERFORMANCE AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

17 MARCH 2016

**SUBJECT:** MOBILISATION PROCESS AND THE ROLE OF FIRE CONTROL AND THE MOBILISATION PROCESS

**REPORT NUMBER:** [CFO/023/16](#)

**APPENDICES:** APPENDIX A:  
APPENDIX B:

**REPORTING OFFICER:** DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:** AREA MANAGER NICK SEARLE

**OFFICERS CONSULTED:** STATION MANAGER IAN VOCE

### Purpose of Report

1. To request that Members review the performance of Fire Control and their part in the mobilisation of resources to emergency incidents.

### Introduction and Background

2. This report is intended to provide a brief overview on the contents of a presentation which is scheduled to be delivered at the committees meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016
3. The presentation will outline the following areas
  - Legislative requirements for a Fire & Rescue Authority
  - Relationships between the Call Handling Agents (“CHAs”) and the Emergency Authorities (“EAs”) in the UK
  - Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority’s Fire Control and establishment.
  - Mobilising system
  - Mobilising arrangements

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**Equality and Diversity Implications**

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4. There are no Equality and Diversity implications in relation to this report

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**Staff Implications**

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5. There are no staffing implications in relation to this report as its intention is to highlight a forthcoming presentation to the committee.

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**Legal Implications**

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6. MFRA has a statutory duty to comply with its core functions under the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 including but not limited to firefighting, road traffic accidents and emergencies. The role of Fire Control assists MFRA in complying with this statutory duty

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**Financial Implications & Value for Money**

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7. There are no pertinent financial implications or considerations associated with this report.

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

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8. There are no risk management, health & Safety or Environmental implications in relation to the report

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

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9. The presentation will provide awareness of how Fire Control operations support the Authority's mission of Safer Stronger Communities – Safe effective Firefighters

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**Recommendation**

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10. That Members;  
a) Review the current performance of Fire Control in relation to its call handling and dispatch capabilities.

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**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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None pertinent to this report.

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**GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

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**CHA** Call Handling Agents e.g. British Telecom

**EA** Emergency Authorities e.g. Police, Fire etc.